

# Wales Primary School Calculation Policy



## Addition and subtraction

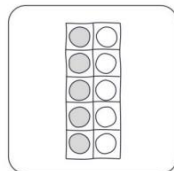
<p><b>One More, One Less</b></p>	<p>When we add one, we get the next counting number. When we subtract one, we get the previous counting number (e.g. <math>5 - 1 = 4</math>).</p>	<p><b>Number Neighbours: Spot the Difference</b></p>	<p>Adjacent numbers have a difference of 1. Adjacent odds and evens have a difference of 2.</p> <p>Spot number neighbours (adjacent, odds or evens) to solve subtractions of adjacent numbers (e.g. <math>5 - 4 = 1</math>), of adjacent odds (e.g. <math>9 - 7 = 2</math>) or adjacent evens (e.g. <math>6 - 4 = 2</math>).</p>
<p><b>Two More, Two Less: Think Odds and Evens</b></p>	<p>If we add two to a number, we go from odd to next odd or even to next even. If we subtract two from a number, we go from odd to previous odd or even to previous even.</p>	<p><b>7 Tree and 9 Square</b></p>	<p>Use these visual images to remember addition and subtractions fact families that children can find tricky. For example, visualising the 7 tree helps remember that <math>7 - 3 = 4</math>. Visualising the 9 square helps remember that <math>3 + 6 = 9</math>.</p>
<p><b>Number 10 Fact Families</b></p>	<p>Go beyond just recalling the pairs of numbers that add to 10. Make sure that we can also spot additions and subtractions which we can use number bonds to 10 to solve.</p>	<p><b>Ten and A Bit</b></p>	<p>The numbers 11 – 20 are made up of 'Ten and a Bit'. Recognising and understanding the 'Ten and a Bit' structure of these numbers enables addition and subtraction facts involving their constituent parts (e.g. <math>3 + 10 = 13</math>, <math>17 - 7 = 10</math>, <math>12 - 10 = 2</math>).</p>
<p><b>Five and A Bit</b></p>	<p>The numbers 6, 7, 8 and 9 are made up of 'five and a bit'. This can be shown on hands, and supports decomposition of these numbers into their five and a bit parts (e.g. <math>5 + 3 = 8</math>, <math>9 - 5 = 4</math>).</p>	<p><b>Make Ten and Then...</b></p>	<p>Additions which cross the 10 boundary can be calculated by 'Making Ten' first, and then adding on the remaining amount (e.g. <math>8 + 6</math> can be calculated by thinking '<math>8 + 2 = 10</math> and 4 more makes 14'). The same strategy can be applied to subtractions through 10.</p>
<p><b>Know about 0</b></p>	<p>When we add 0 to or subtract 0 from another number, the total remains the same. If we subtract a number from itself, the difference is 0.</p>	<p><b>Adjust It</b></p>	<p>Any addition and subtraction can be calculated by adjusting from a fact you know already. (e.g. <math>6 + 9</math> is one less than <math>6 + 10</math>).</p>
<p><b>Doubles and Near Doubles</b></p>	<p>Memorise doubles of numbers to 10, using a visual approach. Then use these known double facts to calculate near doubles and hidden doubles. Once we know <math>6 + 6 = 12</math> then <math>6 + 7</math> and <math>5 + 7</math> is easy.</p>	<p><b>Swap It</b></p>	<p>When the order of two numbers being added (addends) is exchanged the total remains the same. Eg. <math>1 + 8 = 8 + 1</math>. Sometimes reversing the order of the two addends makes addition easier to think about conceptually.</p>

### Key skills for addition

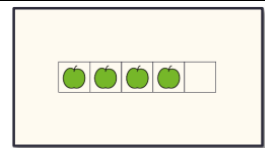
**(FS2) Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts**

Concept that + the answer will be greater  
Number bonds to 5 / 10

### Representations / models



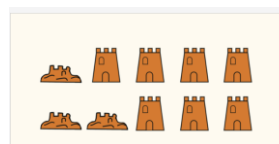
Make a pentomino



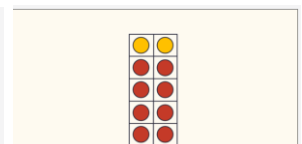
How many more to five?



What's missing from five?



Tell a story about ten

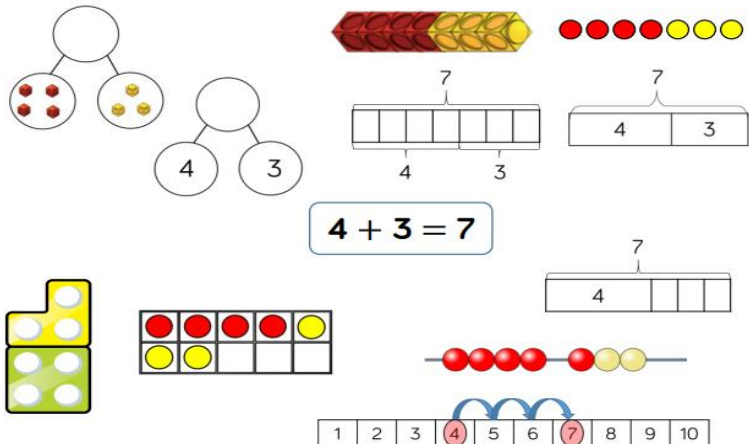


Building ten: ten frame

Subitising, partitioning, tell a story, building a 5/10 frame/ bead bar, what's missing from a 5/10 frame/ bead bar

**(Y1) Add two 1 digit numbers to 10**

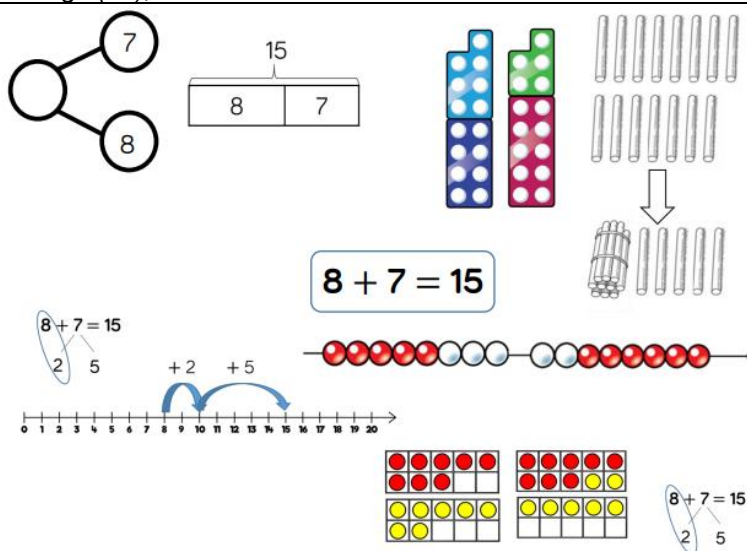
Number bonds to 10 and within 10



Part – whole model, bar model, number shapes, ten frame (within 10), bead strings (10), number tracks

**(Y1/2) Add 1 and 2 digit numbers to 20**

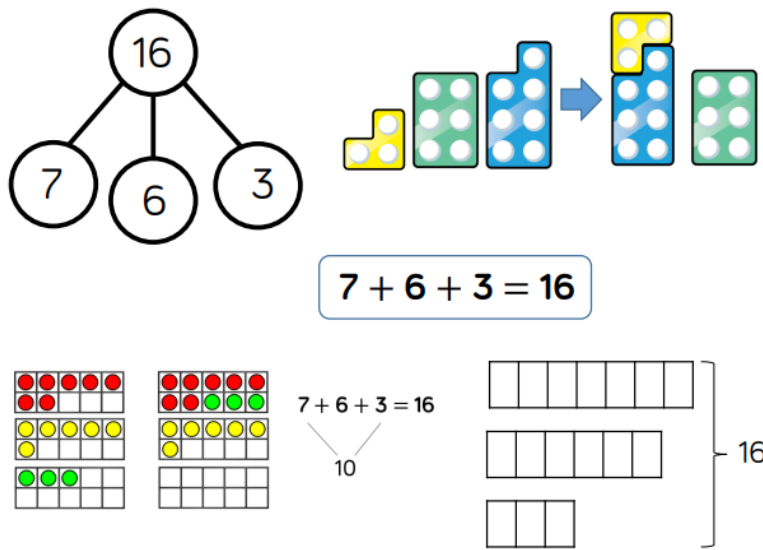
Add a single digit to a multiple of 10 mentally  
 Number bonds to 10 / 20  
 Use number line to count on (and back) in different step sizes  
 Partition numbers in different ways e.g.  
 $8 + 7 = 8 + 2 + 5$



Part – whole model, bar model, number shapes, ten frame (within 20), bead strings (20), number tracks, number lines (labelled) straws

**(Y2) Add 3 1 digit numbers**

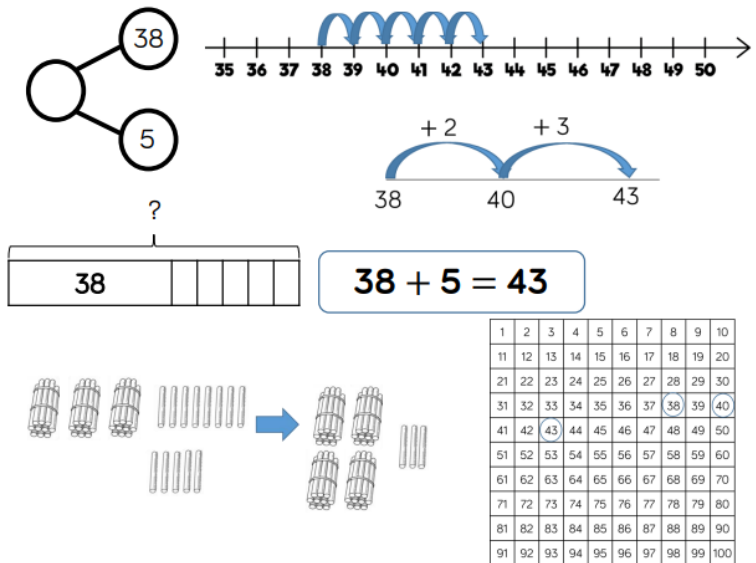
Add more than 2 single digit numbers mentally  
 Look for bonds / doubles / near doubles



Part – whole model, bar model, number shapes, ten frame (within 20)

**(Y2/3) Add 1 and 2 digit numbers to 100**

Partition numbers in different ways e.g.  
 $32 = 20 + 12, 22 + 10$   
 Know what needs to be added to a number to make the next multiple of 10  
 Add 9 by adding 10 and subtract 1



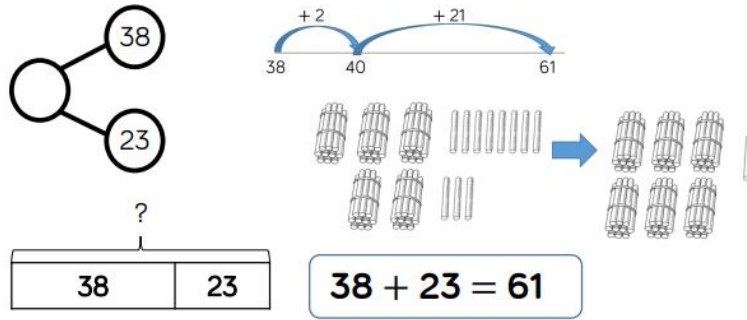
**Written method – numberline / partitioning**

Part – whole model, bar model, number lines (labelled and blank), straws, hundred square

**(Y2/3) Add two 2-digit numbers**

Partition numbers in different ways e.g.  
 $38 + 23 = 38 + 2 + 21$

**Written method – partitioning**

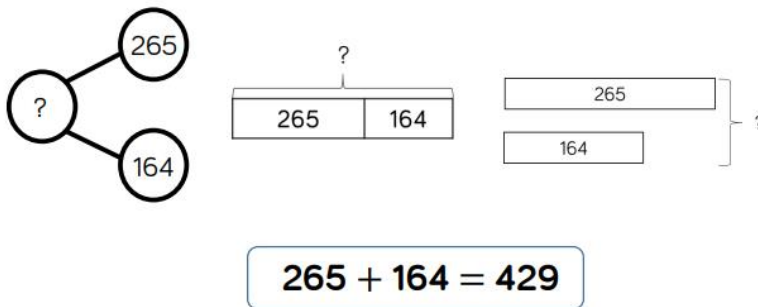


*Part-whole model, bar model, number lines (blank), straws, base 10, place value counters*

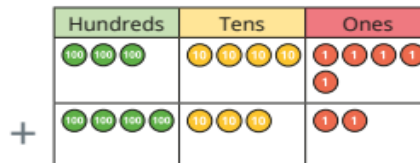
**(Y3) Add with up to 3-digits**

Know what needs to be added to a 3 digit number to get to the next 100  
 To add 2 2 digit numbers mentally  
 Add multiples of 10 mentally

**Written method – partitioning**



Find the sum of 345 and 432



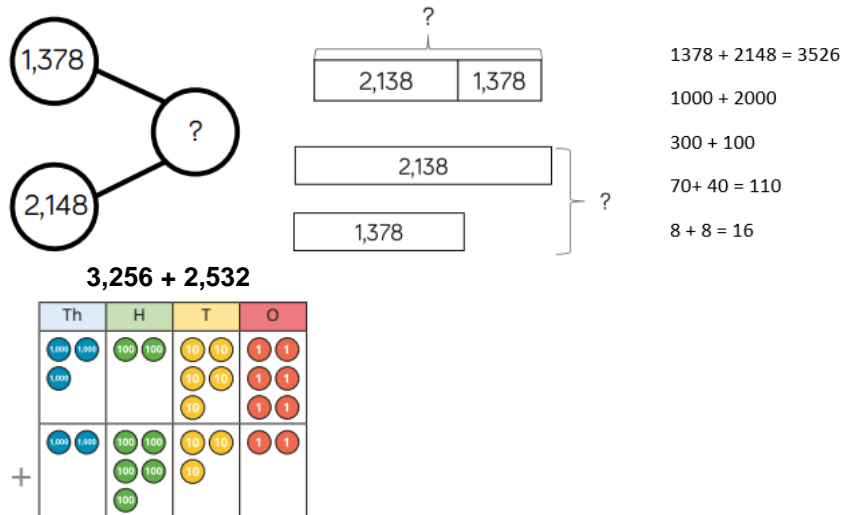
$265 + 164 = 429$   
 $200 + 100$   
 $60 + 60 = 120$   
 $5 + 4$

*Part-whole model, bar model, base 10, place value counters*

**(Y4) Add with up to 4-digits**

Work out pairs of multiples of 10 mentally  
 Know what needs to be added to a 4 digit number to get to the nearest 100 / 1000

**Written method – partitioning**



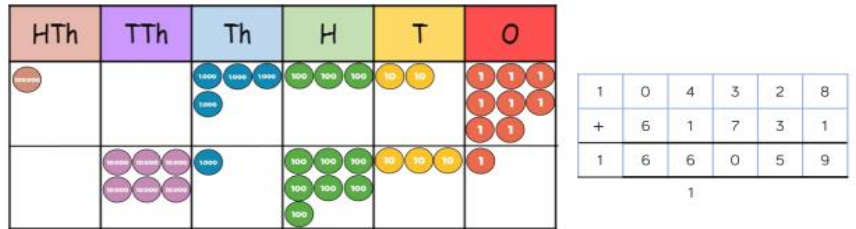
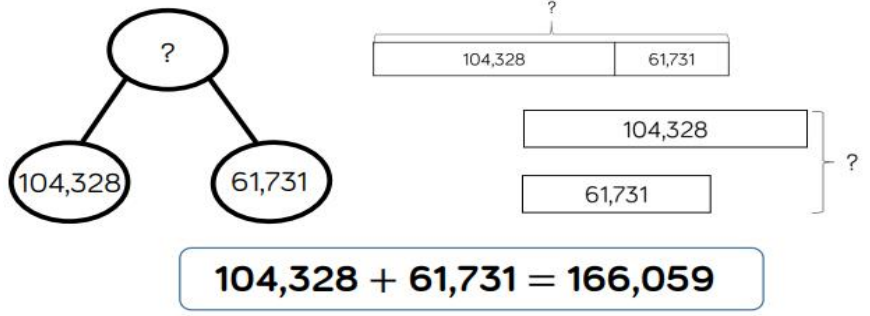
$1378 + 2148 = 3526$   
 $1000 + 2000$   
 $300 + 100$   
 $70 + 40 = 110$   
 $8 + 8 = 16$

*Part-whole model, bar model, base 10, place value counters*

**(Y5/6) Add with more than 4 digits**

Use sense of estimation

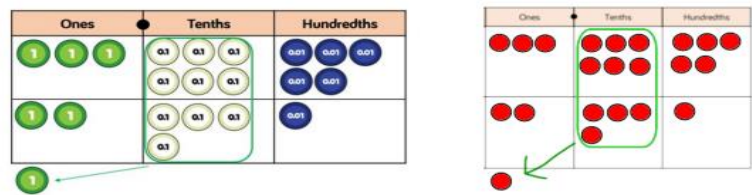
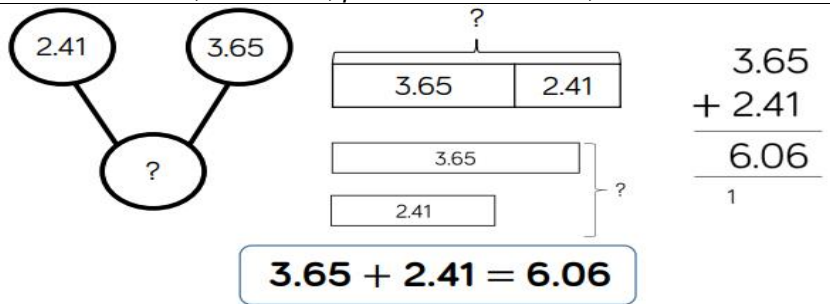
Written method – column



Part-whole model, bar model, place value counters, column addition

**(Y5) Add with up to 3 decimal places**

Written method – column



Part-whole model, bar model, place value counters, column addition

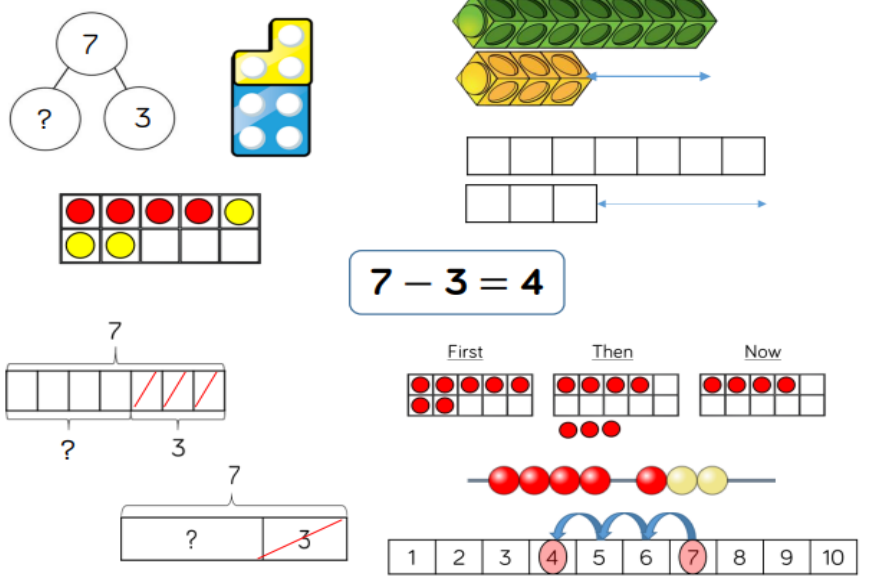
**Key skills for subtraction**

**Representations / models**

(FS2) See under addition

**(Y1) Subtract two 1-digit numbers to 10**

Know number bonds within 10



Part-whole model Bar model Number shapes Ten frames (within 10) Bead strings (10) Number tracks

**(Y1/2) Subtract 1 and 2-digit numbers to 20**

Subtract 9 to a number by subtracting 10 then adding 1  
 Know number bonds to 20  
 Use related inverse facts  
 Know what must be added to a number to get to the next multiple of 10

14 - 6 = 8

Part-whole model Bar model Number shapes Ten frames (within 20) Bead string (20) Number tracks Number lines (labelled) Straws

**(Y2/3) Subtract 1 and 2-digit numbers to 100**

Know what must be added to a number to get to the next multiple of 10  
 Know pairs of multiples or 10 to 100

65 - 28 = 37

54 - 24 = 30

**(Y2) Subtract two 2-digit numbers**

Know pairs of numbers to 100 e.g. 32 + 68 = 100  
 Know addition and subtraction facts for all numbers to 20 e.g. 13 - 8 = 4 + = 17

**Written method – numberline (using place value counters / base 10 only to be used where no crossing boundaries)**

Part-whole model Bar model Number lines (labelled) Number lines (blank) Straws Hundred square Place value counters

**(Y3) Subtract with up to 3-digits**

Know pairs of numbers to 100 e.g. 32 + 68 = 100  
 Know what must be added to any 3 digit number to make the next 100  
 Add 3 numbers mentally (2 digit number, 3 digit number – multiple of 10 and single digit)  
 Make jottings if needed  
 Know in multiples of 10 how to get closest to a number e.g. from 300 to 435 would be +130 to get to 430

435 - 273 = 162

454 - 224 = 230

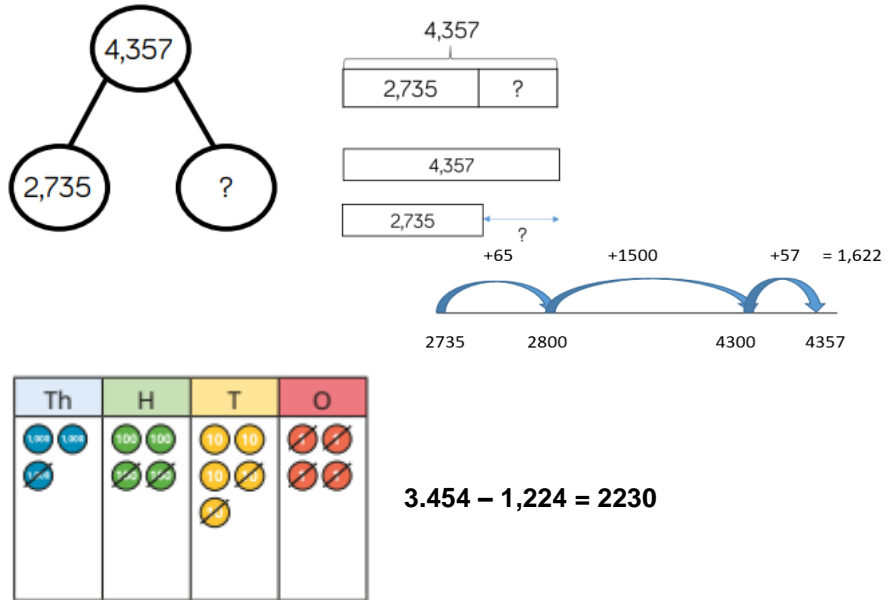
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Part-whole model Bar model Base 10 Place value counters

**(Y4) Subtract with up to 4-digits**

Know pairs of numbers to 100 e.g.  $32 + 68 = 100$   
 Know what must be added to any 3 digit number to make the next 100  
 Add 3 numbers mentally ( 2 2-digit numbers 4 digit number – multiple of 100)  
 Make jottings if needed  
 Know in multiples of 100 how to get closest to a number e.g. from 2800 to 4357 would be +1500 to get to 4300

**Written method – numberline (using place value counters / base 10 only to be used where no crossing boundaries)**

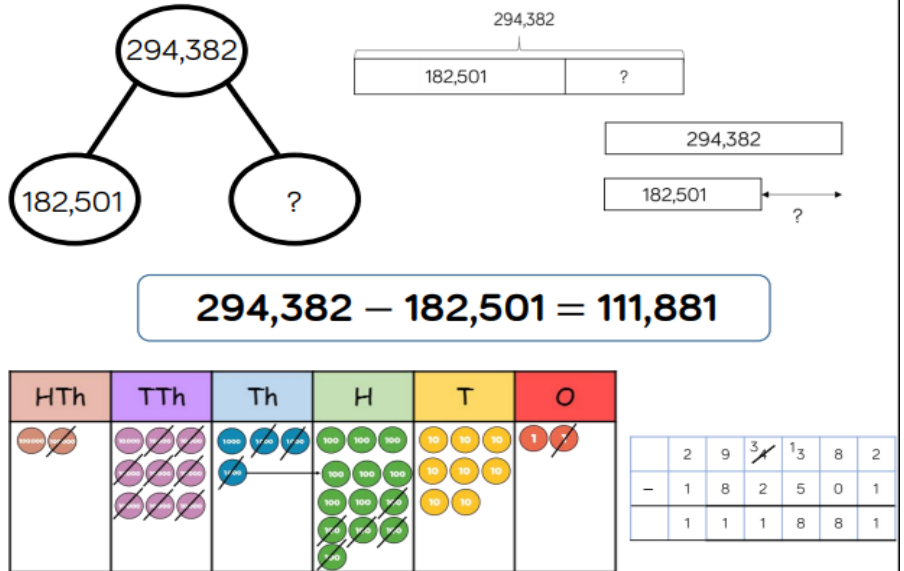


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**(Y5/6) Subtract with more than 4 digits**

Estimation for sense of answer

**Written method – column**

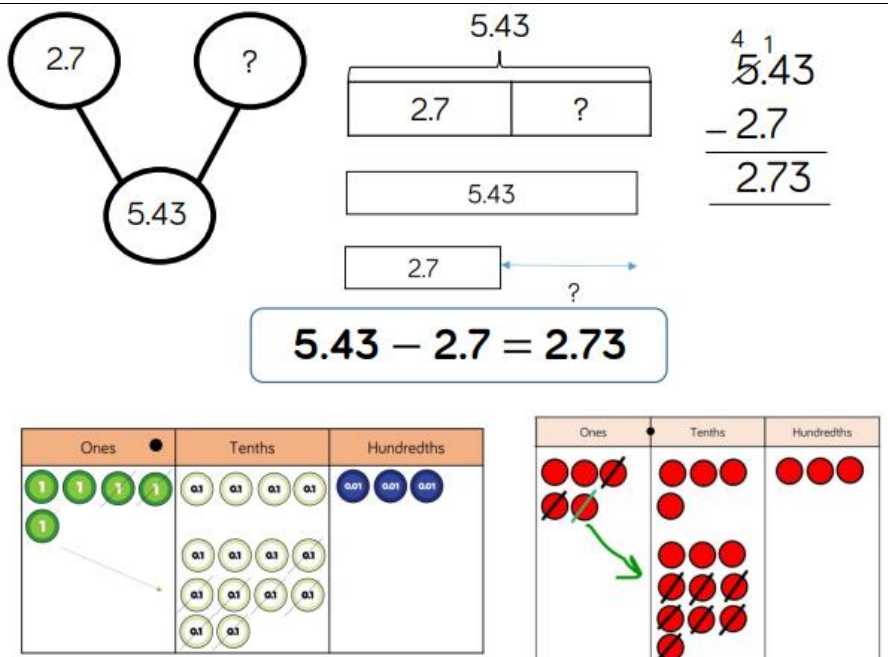


Part-whole model Bar model Place value counters Column subtraction

**(Y5/6) Subtract with up to 3 decimal places**

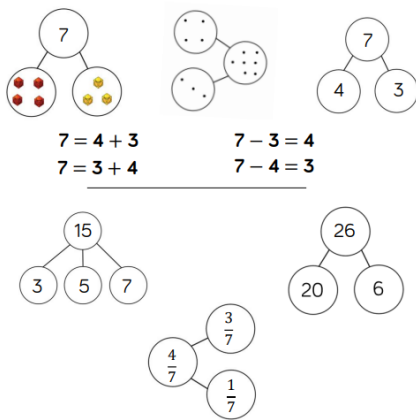
Estimation for sense of answer

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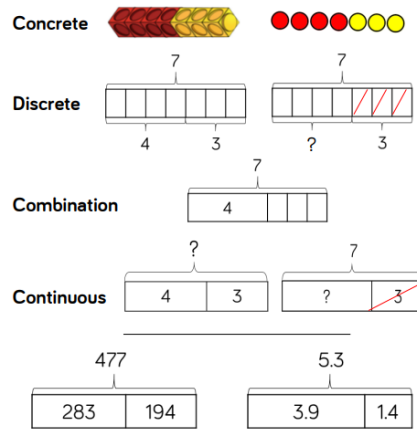


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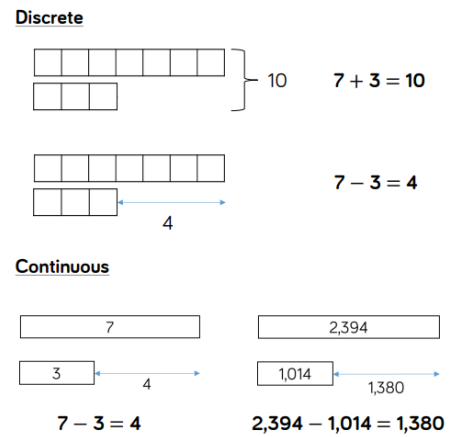
## Part-Whole Model



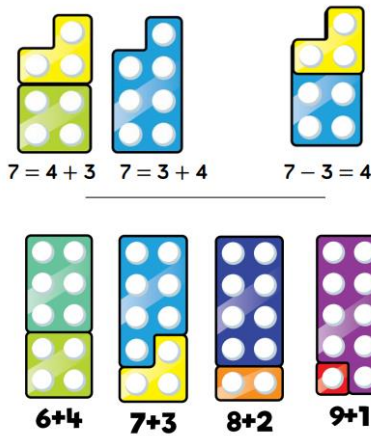
## Bar Model (single)



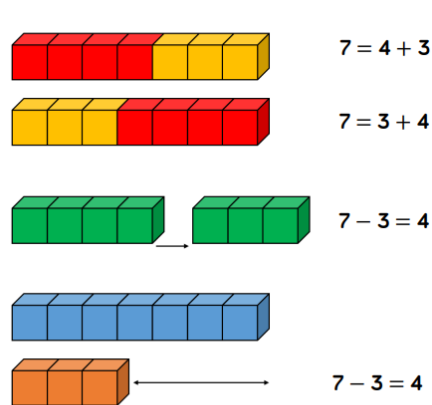
## Bar Model (multiple)



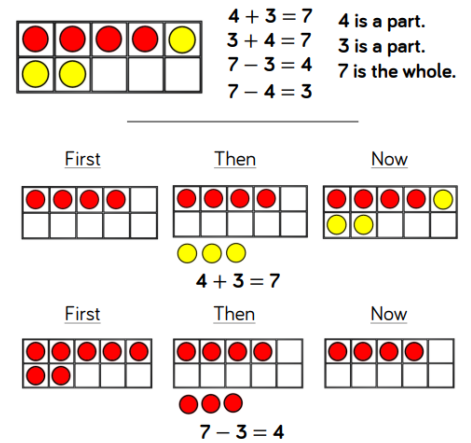
## Number Shapes



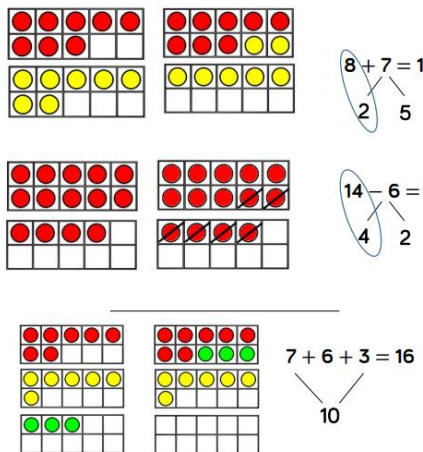
## Cubes



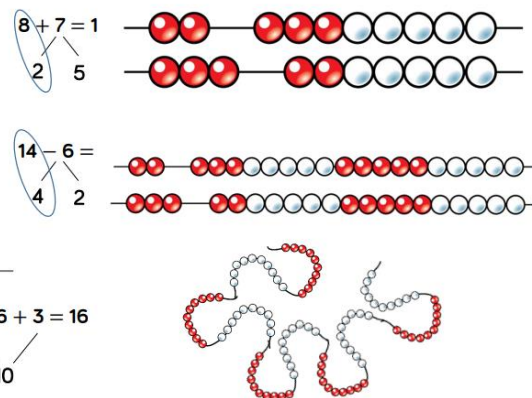
## Ten Frames (within 10)



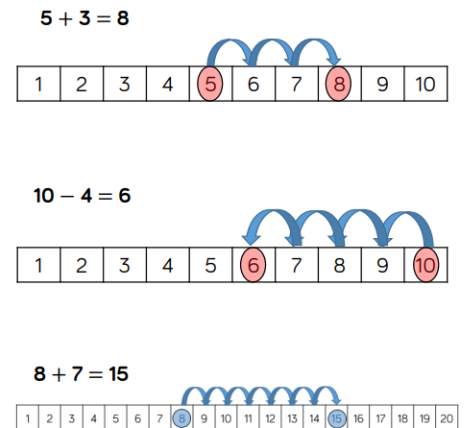
## Ten Frames (within 20)



## Bead Strings



## Number Tracks

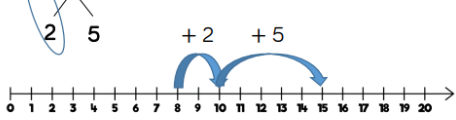


## Number Lines (labelled)

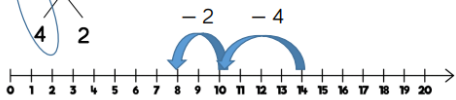
$5 + 3 = 8$



$8 + 7 = 15$

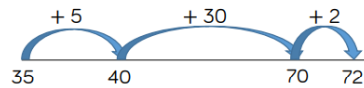


$14 - 6 = 8$

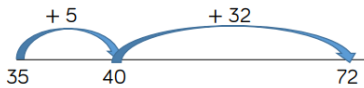


## Number Lines (blank)

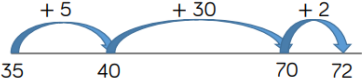
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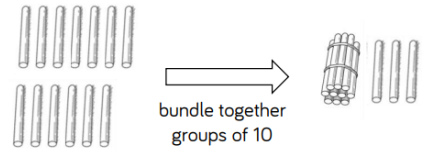


$72 - 35 = 37$

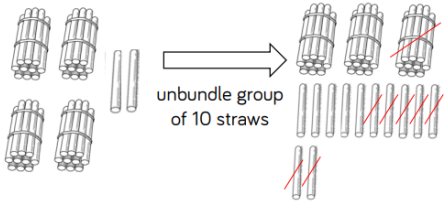


## Straws

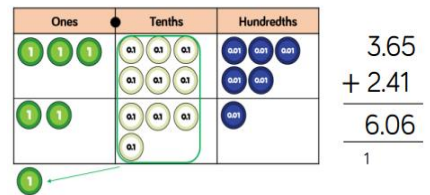
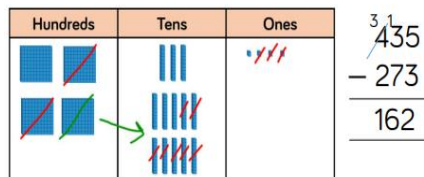
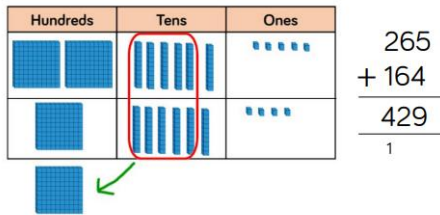
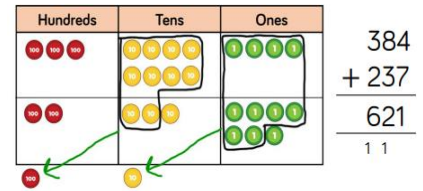
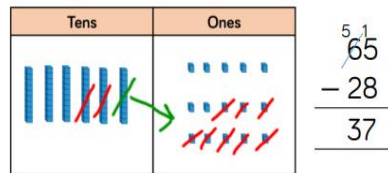
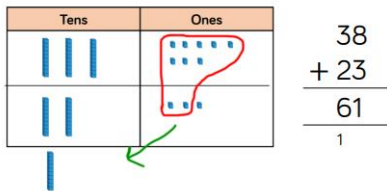
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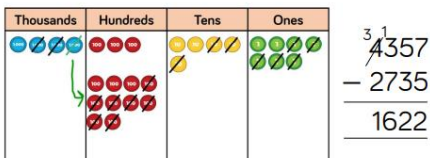
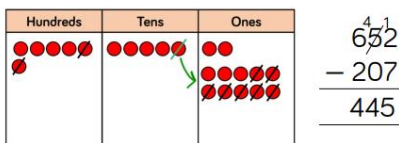
$42 - 17 = 25$



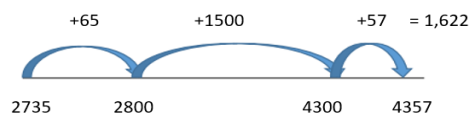
## Base 10/Dienes (addition)



## Place Value Counters (Subtraction)



## Number line finding the difference



1. Go to next multiple of 10 or 100 (1 or 2 digit no.)
2. Go to the closest multiple of 10 or 100 to the number (multiples of 10)
3. Go to the final number (1 or 2 digit no.)