

# CALCULATION POLICY

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Our vision is for all children to be safe, happy and learning. We deliver this vision through clear aims that are underpinned by our school commitments.



We value:

Every child is safe, happy and learning because every adult is caring, happy in their work and skilled.

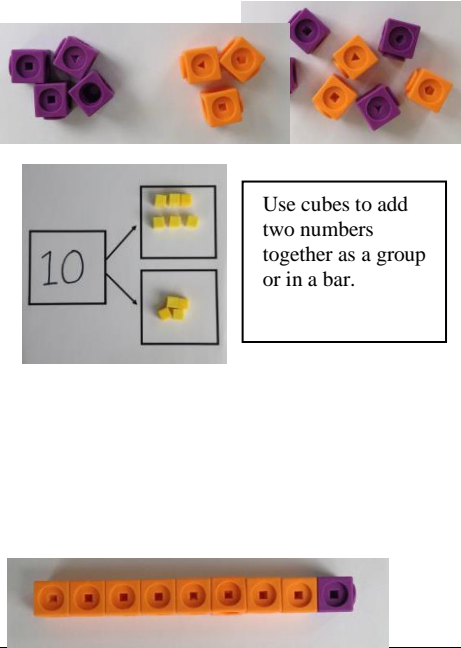
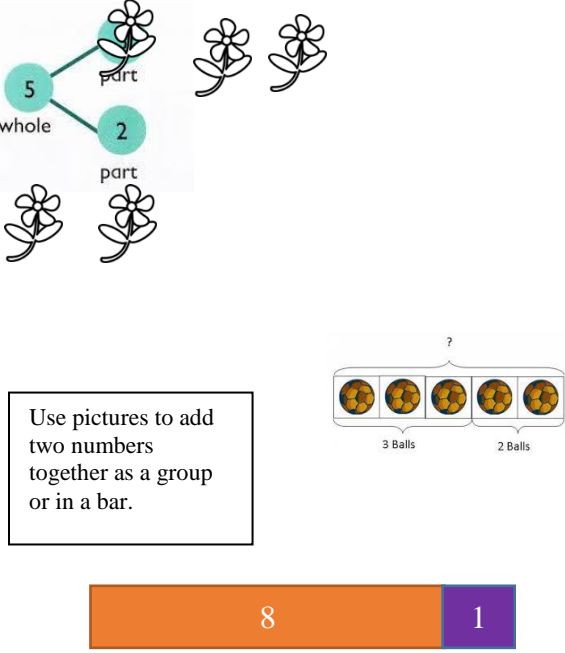
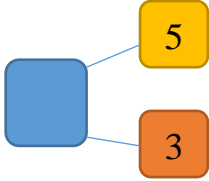

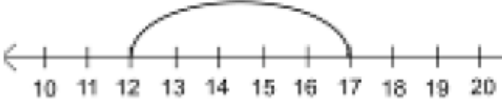
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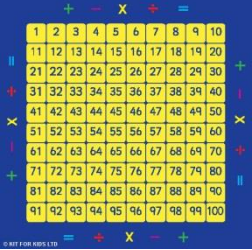
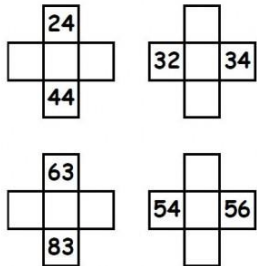
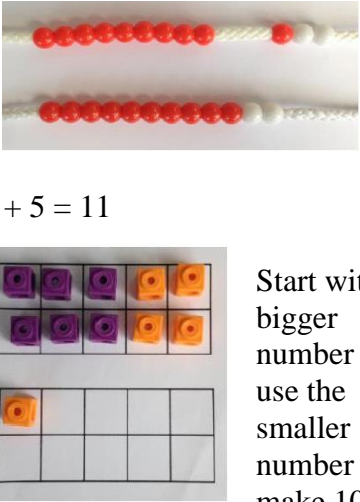
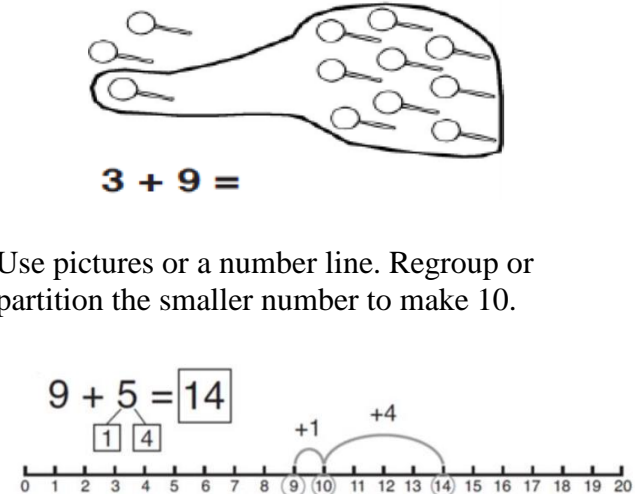
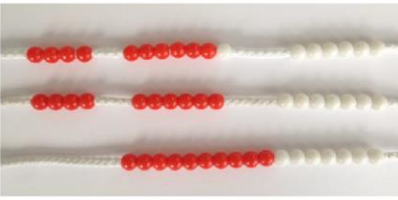
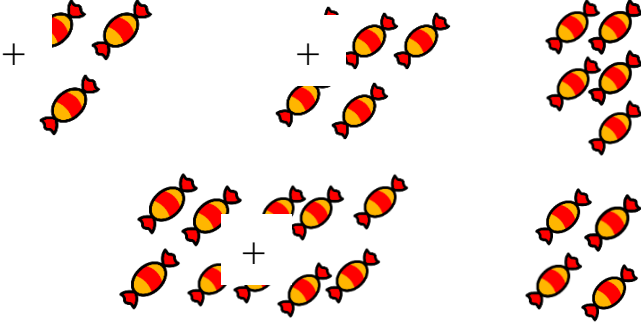
At Thorns, we use the White Rose Maths Scheme of Learning supported by iSee Reasoning, iSee Problem Solving and NCETM resources.

In order to assist teachers and learners, a clear pathway has been developed to support secure understanding of calculations. These use the concept of Concrete (manipulatives), Pictorial (representation) and Abstract (written methods – formal and informal). This calculation policy is designed to support the teaching of maths in Reception – Year 6.

The exemplars shown in Appendix 2 are taken from The National Curriculum 2014 and are the end goal of this calculation policy.

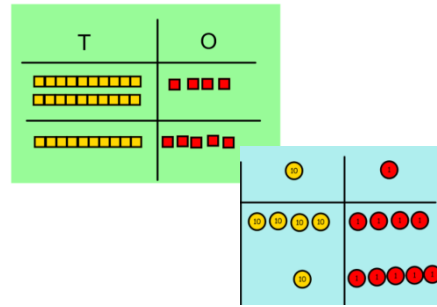
## Addition

Calculation Stage	Objective and Strategies	Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract
<p>Stage 1: Concrete objects and pictorial representations.</p>	<p>Combining two parts to make a whole: part- whole model</p>	 <p>Use cubes to add two numbers together as a group or in a bar.</p>	 <p>Use pictures to add two numbers together as a group or in a bar.</p>	<p><math>4 + 3 = 7</math></p> <p><math>10 = 6 + 4</math></p>  <p>Use the part-part whole diagram as shown above to move into the abstract.</p>
<p>Stage 2: Number lines and 100 squares</p>	<p>Starting at the bigger number and counting on</p>	 <p>Start with the larger number on the bead string and then count on to the smaller number 1 by 1 to find the answer.</p>	<p><math>12 + 5 = 17</math></p>  <p>Start at the larger number on the number line and count on in ones or in one jump to find the answer.</p>	<p><math>5 + 12 = 17</math></p> <p>Place the larger number in your head and count on the smaller number to find your answer.</p>

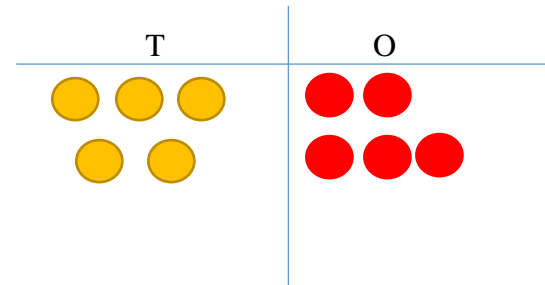
	<p>Using a 100 square – adding 10s by dropping down</p>		<p>Count on using a 100 square using counters. Drop down to add 10.</p>	 <p>Find missing numbers from a 100 square by using knowledge and pre-existing skills.</p> <p>Drop down, count on and use pictorial representations.</p>	<p>17+11</p> <p>Drop down and count on in jumps.</p>
<p>Stage 3: Mental methods evolving into written methods</p>	<p>Regrouping to make 10.</p>	 <p>6 + 5 = 11</p> <p>Start with the bigger number and use the smaller number to make 10.</p>	 <p>3 + 9 =</p> <p>Use pictures or a number line. Regroup or partition the smaller number to make 10.</p>	<p>7 + 4 = 11</p> <p>If I am at seven, how many more do I need to make 10. How many more do I add on now?</p>	
	<p>Adding three single digits</p>	<p>4 + 7 + 6 = 17</p> <p>Put 4 and 6 together to make 10. Add on 7.</p>  <p>Following on from making 10, make 10 with 2 of the digits (if possible) then add on the third digit.</p>	 <p>Add together three groups of objects. Draw a picture to recombine the groups to make 10.</p>	$4 + 7 + 6 = 10 + 7$ $= 17$ <p>Combine the two numbers that make 10 and then add on the remainder.</p>	

Column method-  
no regrouping

$24 + 15 =$   
Add together the ones first then add the tens. Use the Base 10 blocks first before moving onto place value counters.



After practically using the base 10 blocks and place value counters, children can draw the counters to help them to solve additions.



Calculations

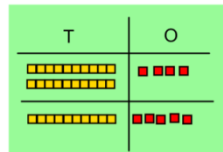
$$21 + 42 =$$

21

+ 42

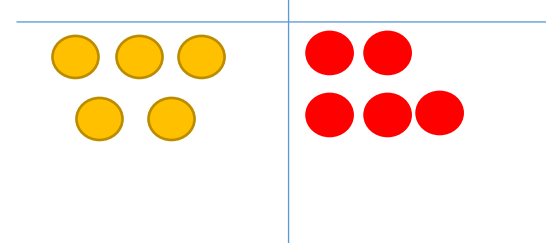
Partitioning to add  
numbers mentally

Use Base 10 to represent numbers  
in their partitioned stages



Then, add the tens together, then  
the ones.

Children move on to draw base 10 blocks and  
place value counters



$$20 + 5$$

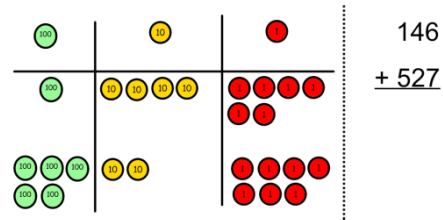
$$40 + 8$$

$$60 + 13 = 73$$

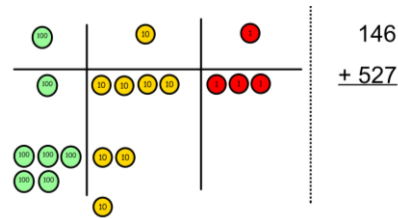
Stage 4: Column Method

Column method-regrouping

Make both numbers on a place value grid.



Add up the units and exchange 10 ones for one 10.

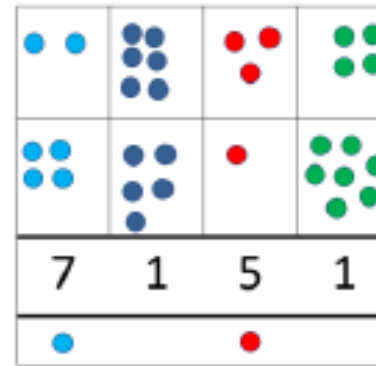


Add up the rest of the columns, exchanging the 10 counters from one column for the next place value column until every column has been added.

This can also be done with Base 10 to help children clearly see that 10 ones equal 1 ten and 10 tens equal 100.

As children move on to decimals, money and decimal place value counters can be used to support learning.

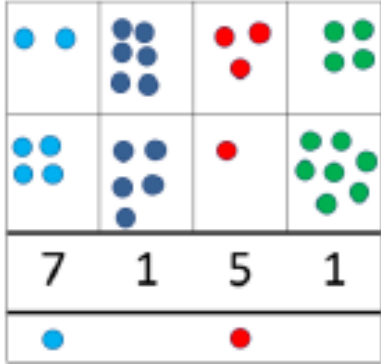
Children can draw a pictorial representation of the columns and place value counters to further support their learning and understanding.



Start by partitioning the numbers before moving on to clearly show the exchange below the addition.

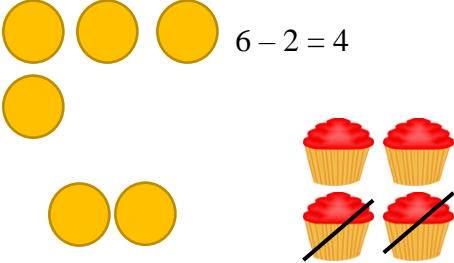
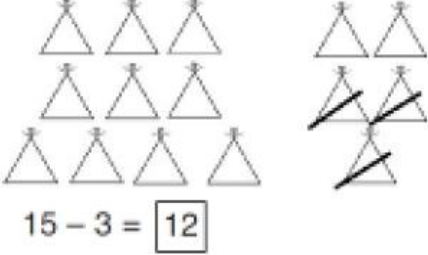

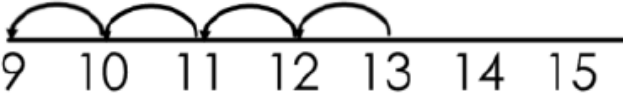
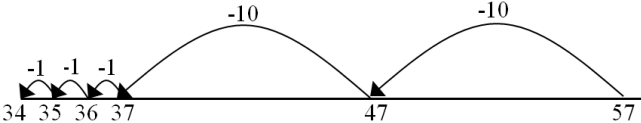
As the children move on, introduce decimals with the same number of decimal places and different. Money can be used here.

$$\begin{array}{r} 536 \\ + 85 \\ \hline 621 \\ 11 \end{array}$$

<p>Stage 5: Column addition, moving to decimals and larger numbers.</p>	<p>Column method moving to decimals and larger numbers/multiple numbers.</p>	<p>As above, use physical representations such as large decimal points on a WB, using a line of children as numbers.</p>		<p>As with above, show another column with striking decimal points.</p>	$  \begin{array}{r}  23.361 \\  9.080 \\  + 1.300 \\  \hline  93.511 \\  \begin{array}{r}  2 \quad 1 \quad 2  \end{array}  \end{array}  $ <p>Use and represent 0 as a place holder in step one. Units of measurement come as final steps.</p>
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## Subtraction

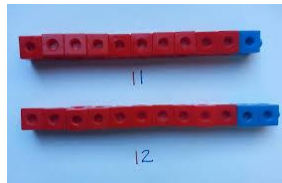
Calculation Stage	Objective and Strategies	Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract
<p>Stage 1: Concrete objects and pictorial representations</p>	<p>Taking away ones</p>	<p>Use physical objects, counters, cubes etc to show how objects can be taken away.</p>  <p><math>6 - 2 = 4</math></p>	<p>Cross out drawn objects to show what has been taken away.</p>  <p><math>15 - 3 = 12</math></p>	<p><math>18 - 3 = 15</math></p> <p><math>8 - 2 = 6</math></p>
	<p>Counting back</p>	<p>Make the larger number in your subtraction. Move the beads along your bead string as you count backwards in ones.</p>  <p><math>13 - 4</math></p> <p>Use counters and move them away from the group as you take them away counting backwards as you go.</p>	<p>Count back on a number line or number track</p>  <p>Start at the bigger number and count back the smaller number showing the jumps on the number line.</p>  <p>This can progress all the way to counting back using two 2 digit numbers.</p>	<p>Put 13 in your head, count back 4. What number are you at? Use your fingers to help.</p>



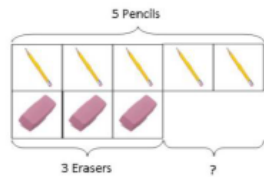
Stage 2: Number lines and 100 squares

Find the difference

Compare amounts and objects to find the difference.

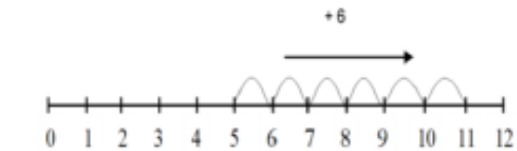


Use cubes to build towers or make bars to find the



difference

Use basic bar models with items to find the difference



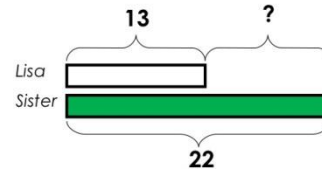
difference.

Count on to find the

Hannah has 23 sandwiches, Helen has 15 sandwiches. Find the difference between the number of sandwiches.

**Comparison Bar Models**

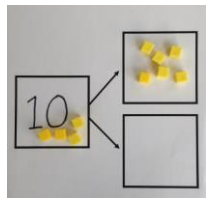
Lisa is 13 years old. Her sister is 22 years old. Find the difference in age between them.



Draw bars to find the

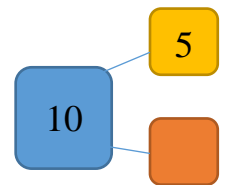
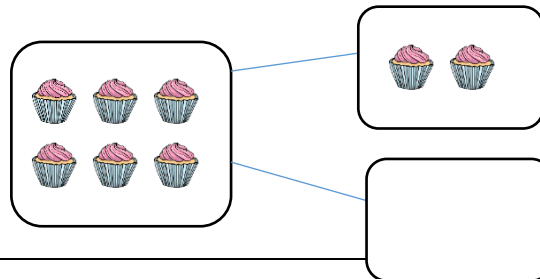
difference between 2 numbers.

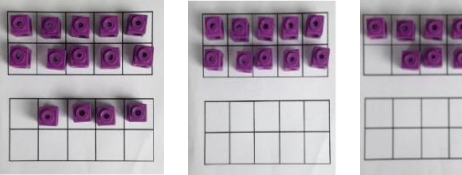
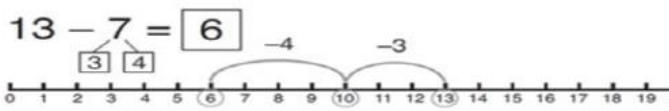
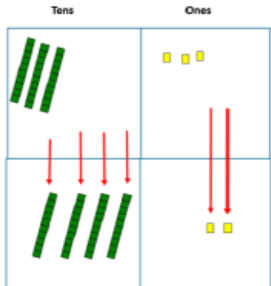
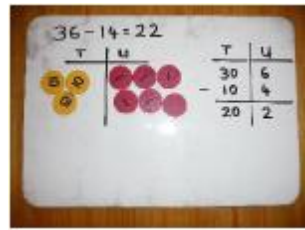
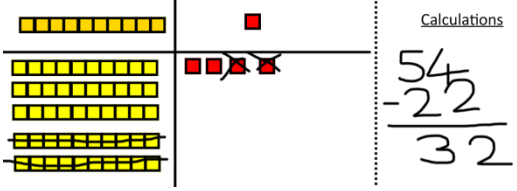
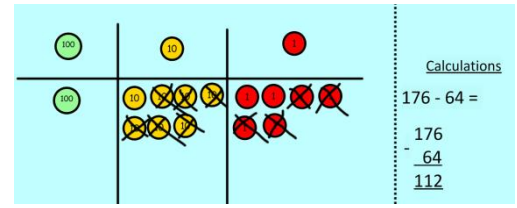
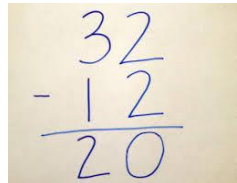
Part, Part Whole Model



Link to addition-use the part whole model to help explain the inverse between addition and subtraction.

Use a pictorial representation of objects to show the part part whole model.



		<p>If 10 is the whole and 6 is one of the parts. What is the other part?</p> $10 - 6 =$		<p>Move to using numbers within the part whole model.</p>
<p>Stage 3: Linking concrete to abstract to decompose</p>	<p>Make 10</p>	<p><math>14 - 9 =</math></p>  <p>Make 14 on the ten frame. Take away the four first to make 10 and then takeaway one more so you have taken away 5. You are left with the answer of 9.</p>	<p><math>13 - 7 = 6</math></p>  <p>Start at 13. Take away 3 to reach 10. Then take away the remaining 4 so you have taken away 7 altogether. You have reached your answer.</p>	<p><math>16 - 8 =</math></p> <p>How many do we take off to reach the next 10?</p> <p>How many do we have left to take off?</p>
	<p>Column method without regrouping</p>	<p>Use Base 10 to make the bigger number then take the smaller number away.</p>  <p>Show how you partition numbers to subtract. Again make the larger number first.</p> 	<p>Draw the Base 10 or place value counters alongside the written calculation to help to show working.</p>  <p>Calculations</p> $\begin{array}{r} 54 \\ - 22 \\ \hline 32 \end{array}$  <p>Calculations</p> $\begin{array}{r} 176 \\ - 64 \\ \hline 112 \end{array}$	<p>This will lead to a clear</p>  <p>written column subtraction.</p>

Stage 4: Compact decomposition, moving to larger numbers and decimals

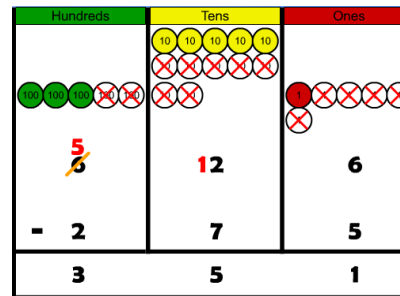
Column method with regrouping

Use Base 10 to start with before moving on to place value counters. Start with one exchange before moving onto subtractions with 2 exchanges.

Make the larger number with the place value counters  
Start with the ones, can I take away 8 from 4 easily? I need to exchange one of my tens for ten ones.

Now I can subtract my ones.

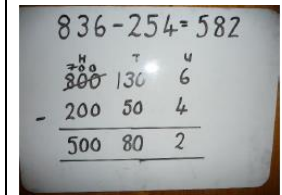
Now look at the tens, can I take away 8 tens easily? I need to exchange one hundred for ten tens.



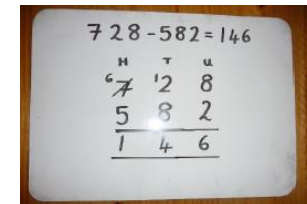
Draw the counters onto a place value grid and show what you have taken away by crossing the counters out as well as clearly showing the exchanges you make.

When confident, children can find their own way to record the exchange/regrouping.

Just writing the numbers as shown here shows that the child understands the method and knows when to exchange/regroup.

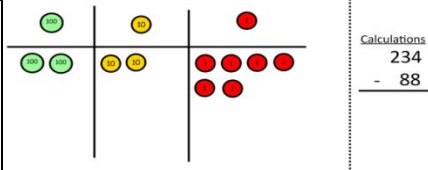


Children can start their formal written method by partitioning the number into clear place value columns.

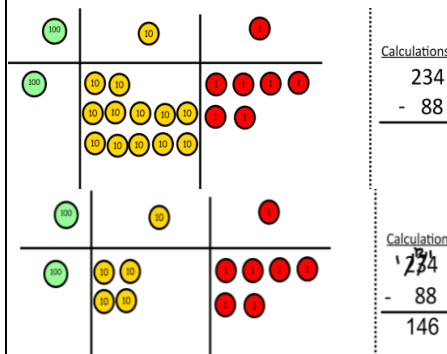


Moving forward the children use a more compact method.

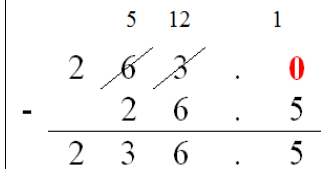
This will lead to an understanding of subtracting any number including decimals.



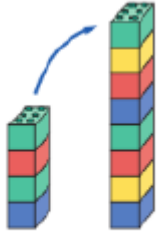

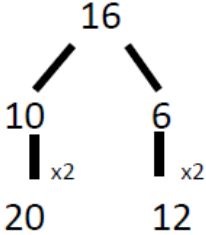
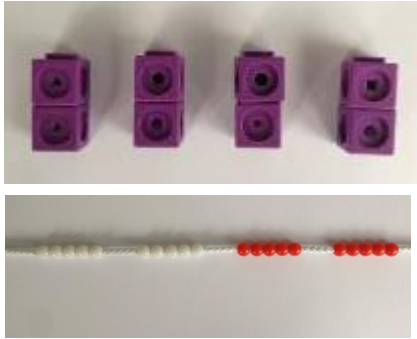
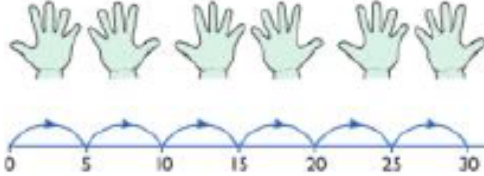
Now I can take away eight tens and complete my subtraction

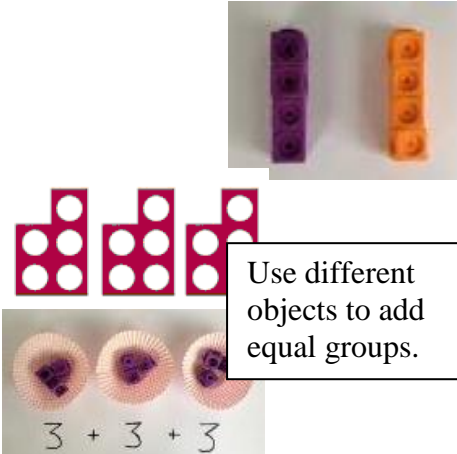

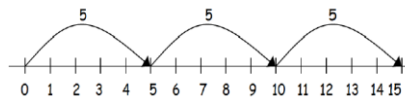

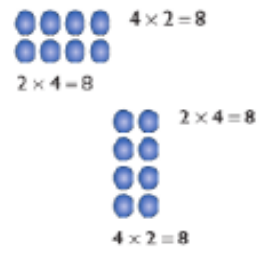
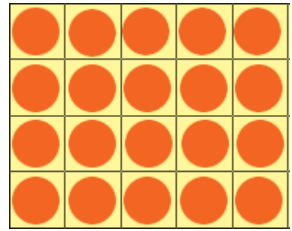



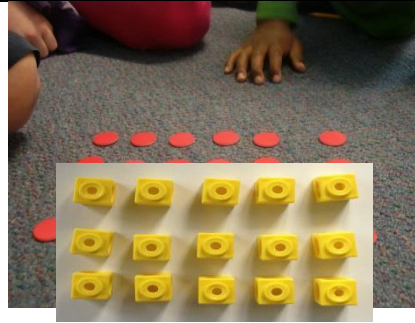
Show children how the concrete method links to the written method alongside your working. Cross out the numbers when exchanging and show where we write our new amount.



## Multiplication

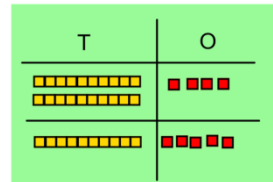
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Stage 1: Concrete objects and pictorial representations	Doubling	<p>Use practical activities to show how to double a number.</p>  <p>double 4 is 8 <math>4 \times 2 = 8</math></p>	<p>Draw pictures to show how to double a number.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Double 4 is 8</p> 	 <p>Partition a number and then double each part before recombining it back together.</p>
	Counting in multiples	 <p>Count in multiples supported by concrete objects in equal groups.</p>	 <p>Use a number line or pictures to continue support in counting in multiples.</p>	<p>Count in multiples of a number aloud.</p> <p>Write sequences with multiples of numbers.</p> <p>2, 4, 6, 8, 10</p> <p>5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30</p>

<p>Stage 2: Arrays</p> <p>Stage 3: Repeated addition linking to practical apparatus</p>	<p>Repeated addition</p>	 <p>Use different objects to add equal groups.</p> <p><math>3 + 3 + 3</math></p>	<p>There are 3 plates. Each plate has 2 star biscuits on. How many biscuits are there?</p>  <p>2 add 2 add 2 equals 6</p>  <p><math>5 + 5 + 5 = 15</math></p>	<p>Write addition sentences to describe objects and pictures.</p>  <p><math>2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 10</math></p>
	<p>Arrays- showing commutative multiplication</p>	<p>Create arrays using counters/ cubes to show multiplication sentences.</p>	<p>Draw arrays in different rotations to find <b>commutative</b> multiplication sentences. Link arrays to area of rectangles.</p>  <p><math>4 \times 2 = 8</math></p> <p><math>2 \times 4 = 8</math></p> 	<p>Use an array to write multiplication sentences and reinforce repeated addition.</p>  <p><math>5 + 5 + 5 = 15</math></p> <p><math>3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 = 15</math></p> <p><math>5 \times 3 = 15</math></p> <p><math>3 \times 5 = 15</math></p>



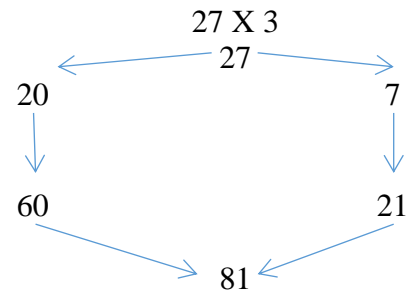
Stage 4: Number partitioning

Use Base 10 to show a number partitioned into tens and ones.



Multiple each piece using known tables.

Partition numbers into 10s and 1s and multiply each part before recombining.



Use clear, well-formed number sentences and line up column values

$$27 \times 3$$

$$20 \times 3 = 60$$

$$7 \times 3 = 21$$

$$60 + 21 = 81$$

Stage 5: Compact method 2x1 and 3x1

Column multiplication

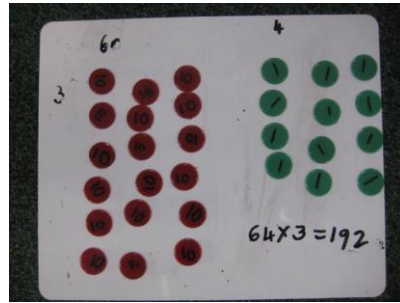
$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{H T O} \\
 476 \\
 \times \quad 4 \\
 \hline
 1904 \\
 \hline
 32
 \end{array}$$

Numbers are carried underneath. Label columns if needed.



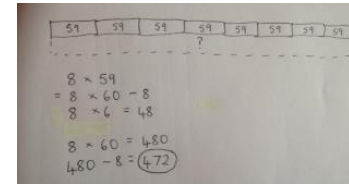
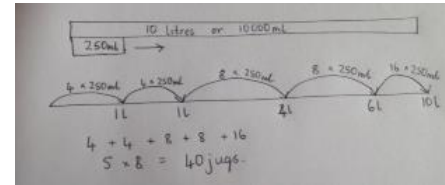
Stage 6:  
Compact method  
2x2 and 3x2 and  
beyond

Children can continue to be supported by place value counters at the stage of multiplication.



It is important at this stage that they always multiply the ones first and note down their answer followed by the tens which they note below.

Bar modelling and number lines can support learners when solving problems with multiplication alongside the formal written methods.



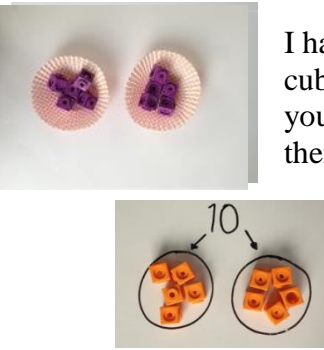
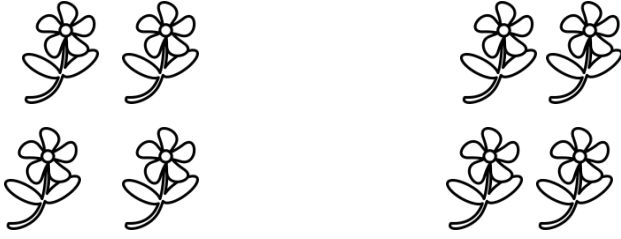

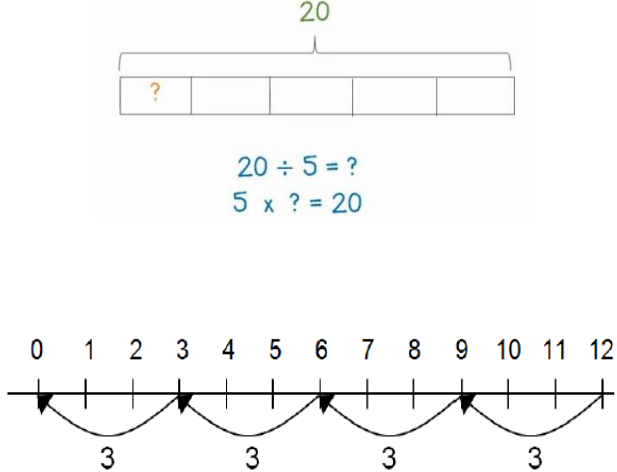
With long multiplication, remind the children about lining up their numbers clearly in columns.

If it helps, children can write out what they are solving next to their answer.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \phantom{0}2 \phantom{0}3 \phantom{0}1 \\
 1342 \\
 \times \phantom{0}18 \\
 \hline
 13420 \\
 10736 \\
 \hline
 24156 \\
 \phantom{0}1
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 32 \\
 \times 24 \\
 \hline
 8 \quad (4 \times 2) \\
 120 \quad (4 \times 30) \\
 40 \quad (20 \times 2) \\
 \hline
 600 \quad (20 \times 30) \\
 768
 \end{array}$$

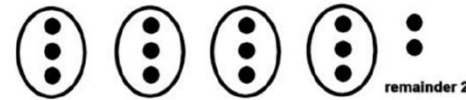
## Division

Calculation Stage	Objective and Strategies	Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract
<p>Stage 1: Concrete objects and pictorial representations</p>	<p>Sharing objects into groups</p>	 <p>I have 10 cubes, can you share them equally in 2 groups?</p>	<p>Children use pictures or shapes to share quantities.</p>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;"> <math>8 \div 2 = 4</math> </div>	<p>Share 9 buns between three people.</p> $9 \div 3 = 3$
<p>Stage 2: Grouping or repeated subtraction</p>	<p>Division as grouping</p>	<p>Divide quantities into equal groups. Use cubes, counters, objects or place value counters to aid understanding.</p> 	<p>Use a number line to show jumps in groups. The number of jumps equals the number of groups.</p> <p>Think of the bar as a whole. Split it into the number of groups you are dividing by and work out how many would be within each group.</p>  $20 \div 5 = ?$ $5 \times ? = 20$	$28 \div 7 = 4$ <p>Divide 28 into 7 groups. How many are in each group?</p>





Draw dots and group them to divide an amount and clearly show a remainder.



Stage 3: Short division (Bus stop)

Short division

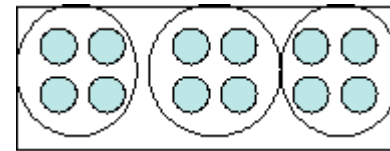
Use place value counters to divide using the bus stop method alongside

$$42 \div 3 =$$

Start with the biggest place value, we are sharing 40 into three groups. We can put 1 ten in each group and we have 1 ten left over.

We exchange this ten for ten ones and then share the ones equally among the groups.

Students can continue to use drawn diagrams with dots or circles to help them divide numbers into equal groups.



Encourage them to move towards counting in multiples to divide more efficiently.

Write down higher multiplication tables to help with trickier numbers:

- 16
- 32
- 48
- 64
- 80
- 96
- 112
- 128

Begin with divisions that divide equally with no remainder.

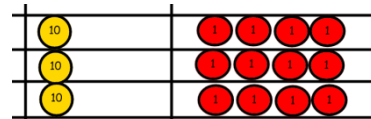
$$\begin{array}{r} 218 \\ 3 \overline{) 872} \end{array}$$

Move onto divisions with a remainder.

$$\begin{array}{r} 86 \text{ r } 2 \\ 3 \overline{) 432} \end{array}$$

Stage 4: Long division


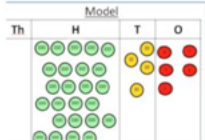
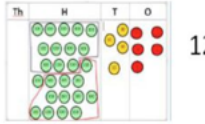
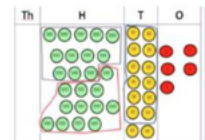
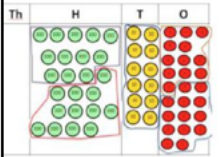
Long division



We look how much in 1 group so the answer is 14.

$$\begin{array}{r} 14.6 \\ 35 \overline{) 511.0} \end{array}$$

Finally move into decimal places to divide the total accurately.

Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract
<div data-bbox="118 172 322 312">  </div> <div data-bbox="331 172 405 312"> <math display="block">\begin{array}{r} 0212 \\ 12 \overline{)2544} \\ \underline{24} \\ 14 \\ \underline{12} \\ 24 \\ \underline{24} \\ 0 \end{array}</math> </div> <div data-bbox="427 156 680 296"> <p>2544 ÷ 12 How many groups of 12 <u>thousands</u> do we have? None</p> </div> <div data-bbox="118 341 322 481">  </div> <div data-bbox="342 341 647 408"> <p>Exchange 2 thousand for 20 <u>hundreds</u>.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="118 549 322 673">  </div> <div data-bbox="304 549 405 660"> <math display="block">\begin{array}{r} 02 \\ 12 \overline{)2544} \\ \underline{24} \\ 1 \end{array}</math> </div> <div data-bbox="427 539 680 679"> <p>How many groups of 12 are in 25 hundreds? 2 groups. Circle them.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="112 689 629 756"> <p>We have grouped 24 <u>hundreds</u> so can take them off and we are left with one.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="118 820 322 960">  </div> <div data-bbox="356 836 456 963"> <math display="block">\begin{array}{r} 021 \\ 12 \overline{)2544} \\ \underline{24} \\ 14 \\ \underline{12} \\ 2 \end{array}</math> </div> <div data-bbox="479 804 680 983"> <p>Exchange the one hundred for ten <u>tens</u> so now we have 14 tens. How many</p> </div> <div data-bbox="112 992 573 1024"> <p>groups of 12 are in 14? 1 remainder 2.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="103 1043 322 1200">  </div> <div data-bbox="331 1072 680 1216"> <p>Exchange the two tens for twenty ones so now we have 24 ones. How many groups of 12 are in 24? 2</p> </div>	<p>Children to represent the counters, pictorially and record the subtractions beneath.</p>	<div data-bbox="1429 188 1585 268"> <math display="block">12 \overline{)2544}^0</math> </div> <div data-bbox="1621 156 1935 296"> <p>Step one- exchange 2 thousand for 20 <u>hundreds</u> so we now have 25 hundreds.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1429 373 1585 533"> <math display="block">12 \overline{)2544}^{02}</math> </div> <div data-bbox="1608 341 1957 561"> <p>Step two- How many groups of 12 can I make with 25 hundreds? The 24 shows the hundreds we have grouped. The one is how many hundreds we have left.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1429 612 1585 788"> <math display="block">12 \overline{)2544}^{021}</math> </div> <div data-bbox="1420 603 1971 896"> <p>Exchange the one hundred for 10 tens. How many groups of 12 can I make with 14 tens? The 14 shows how many tens I have, the 12 is how many I grouped and the 2 is how many tens I have left.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1429 932 1585 1171"> <math display="block">12 \overline{)2544}^{0212}</math> </div> <div data-bbox="1585 938 1971 1078"> <p>Exchange the 2 tens for 20 ones. The 24 is how many ones I have grouped and the 0 is what I have left.</p> </div>

Appendix 1 - Vocabulary						
Strand	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>Addition and Subtraction</b>	<p>Number bonds, number line, add, more, plus, make, sum, total, altogether, inverse, double, near double, equals, is the same as (including equals sign), difference between, subtract, take away, minus</p> <p>How many more to make ...?, How many more is ... than ... ?, How much more is ... ?, How many fewer is ... than ... ?, How much less is ... ?</p>		Column addition and subtraction		Efficient written method	Order of operations
<b>Multiplication and Division</b>	<p>Once, twice, three, five times, multiple of times</p> <p>Multiply, multiply by, repeated addition, array, row, column, double, halve, share, share equally, group in pairs, threes, etc., equal groups of, divide, divided by, left over</p>		Product, multiples of four, eight, fifty and one hundred, scale up	Multiplication facts (up to 12x12), division facts, inverse, derive	Factor pairs, composite numbers, prime number, prime factors, square number, cubed number, formal written method	Order of operations Common factors and common multiples

## Appendix 2 - Exemplars from The National Curriculum 2014

### Addition and Subtraction

789 + 642 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 789 \\ + 642 \\ \hline 1431 \\ \hline 1 \quad 1 \end{array}$$

Answer: 1431

874 - 523 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 874 \\ - 523 \\ \hline 351 \end{array}$$

Answer: 351

932 - 457 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \quad 12 \quad 1 \\ 932 \\ - 457 \\ \hline 475 \end{array}$$

Answer: 475

932 - 457 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 1 \\ 932 \\ - 457 \\ \hline 475 \\ \hline 5 \quad 6 \end{array}$$

Answer: 475

### Short Multiplication

24 × 6 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 24 \\ \times 6 \\ \hline 144 \\ \hline 2 \end{array}$$

Answer: 144

342 × 7 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 342 \\ \times 7 \\ \hline 2394 \\ \hline 2 \quad 1 \end{array}$$

Answer: 2394

2741 × 6 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 2741 \\ \times 6 \\ \hline 16446 \\ \hline 4 \quad 2 \end{array}$$

Answer: 16 446

## Long Multiplication

24 × 16 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \phantom{0}^2 \\
 24 \\
 \times 16 \\
 \hline
 240 \\
 144 \\
 \hline
 384
 \end{array}$$

Answer: 384

124 × 26 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \phantom{00}^1 \phantom{0}^2 \\
 124 \\
 \times \phantom{0}26 \\
 \hline
 2480 \\
 \phantom{0}744 \\
 \hline
 3224 \\
 \phantom{00}1 \phantom{0}1
 \end{array}$$

Answer: 3224

124 × 26 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \phantom{00}^1 \phantom{0}^2 \\
 124 \\
 \times \phantom{0}26 \\
 \hline
 744 \\
 2480 \\
 \hline
 3224 \\
 \phantom{00}1 \phantom{0}1
 \end{array}$$

Answer: 3224

## Long Division

432 ÷ 15 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \phantom{00}2 \phantom{0}8 \text{ r } 12 \\
 15 \overline{) 432} \\
 \underline{30 \phantom{0}} \\
 132 \\
 \underline{120} \\
 12
 \end{array}$$

Answer: 28 remainder 12

432 ÷ 15 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \phantom{00}2 \phantom{0}8 \\
 15 \overline{) 432} \\
 \underline{30 \phantom{0}} \quad 15 \times 20 \\
 132 \\
 \underline{120} \quad 15 \times 8 \\
 12
 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{12}}{\cancel{15}} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Answer: 28  $\frac{4}{5}$

432 ÷ 15 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \phantom{00}2 \phantom{0}8 \cdot 8 \\
 15 \overline{) 432} \cdot 0 \\
 \underline{30 \phantom{0}} \quad \downarrow \\
 132 \\
 \underline{120} \quad \downarrow \\
 120 \\
 \underline{120} \quad \downarrow \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

Answer: 28.8