

What do I need to be able to do?

By the end of this unit you should be able to:

- Know and use mental addition/ subtraction
- Know and use mental multiplication/ division
- Know and use mental arithmetic for decimals
- Know and use mental arithmetic for fractions
- Use factors to simplify calculations
- Use estimation to check mental calculations
- Use number facts
- Use algebraic facts

Keywords

- Commutative:** changing the order of the operations does not change the result
- Associative:** when you add or multiply you can do so regardless of how the numbers are grouped
- Dividend:** the number being divided
- Divisor:** the number we divide by
- Expression:** a maths sentence with a minimum of two numbers and at least one math operation (no equals sign)
- Equation:** a mathematical statement that two things are equal
- Quotient:** the result of a division

Mental methods for addition/ subtraction

Addition is commutative



$$6 + 3 = 3 + 6$$

The order of addition does not change the result

Subtraction the order has to stay the same

$$360 - 147 = 360 - 100 - 40 - 7$$

- Number lines help for addition and subtraction
- Working in 10's first aids mental addition/ subtraction

Mental methods for multiplication/ division

Multiplication is commutative



$$2 \times 4 = 4 \times 2$$

The order of multiplication does not change the result

Partitioning can help multiplication

$$\begin{aligned} 24 \times 6 &= 20 \times 6 + 4 \times 6 \\ &= 120 + 24 \\ &= 144 \end{aligned}$$

Division is not associative

Chunking the division can help $4000 \div 25$
"How many 25's in 100" then how many chunks of that in 4000

Mental methods for decimals

Multiplying by a decimal < 1 will make the original value smaller e.g. $0.1 = \div 10$

Methods for multiplication 12×0.03

$$\begin{array}{l} 12 \times 3 = 36 \\ 12 \times 3 = 36 \\ 12 \times 0.3 = 0.36 \\ 12 \times 0.03 = 0.036 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 12 \times 3 = 36 \\ \div 10 \quad \div 100 \quad \div 1000 \\ 12 \times 0.03 = 0.036 \end{array}$$

Methods for division $15 \div 0.05$

Multiply by powers of 10 until the divisor becomes an integer

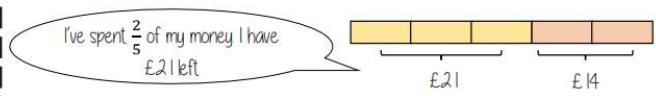
$$\begin{array}{l} 1.5 \div 0.05 \\ \times 100 \quad \times 100 \\ 150 \div 5 = 30 \end{array}$$

Methods for addition $2.3 + 2.4$

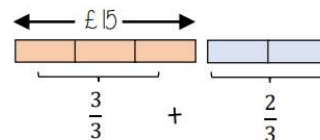
$$\begin{array}{l} 2 + 2 = 4 \\ 0.3 + 0.4 = 0.7 \\ 4 + 0.7 = 4.7 \end{array}$$

Mental methods for fractions

Use bar models where possible



How much did they have to begin with?



What is $\frac{5}{3}$ of £15?

Using factors to simplify calculations

$$30 \times 16$$

$$10 \times 3 \times 4 \times 4$$

$$10 \times 3 \times 2 \times 8$$

$$2 \times 5 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$$

$$16 \times 10 \times 3$$

Multiplication is commutative
Factors can be multiplied in any order

Estimation

Estimations are useful – especially when using fractions and decimals to check if your solution is possible.

Most estimations round to 1 significant figure

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$$210 + 899 < 1200$$

This is true because even if both numbers were rounded up, they would reach $300 + 900$

The correct estimation would be $200 + 900 = 1100$.

Number facts

Use $124 \times 5 = 620$

For multiplication, each value that is multiplied or divided by powers of 10 needs to happen to the result

$$620 \div 124 = 50$$

For division you must consider the impact of the divisor becoming smaller or bigger.
Smaller – the answer will be bigger (it is being shared into less parts)
Bigger – the answer will be smaller (it is being shared into more parts)

Algebraic facts

$$2a + 2b = 10 \quad \text{Everything} \times 2$$

$$0.1a + 0.1b = 0.5 \quad \text{Everything} \div 10$$

$$a + b = 5$$

$$a + b + 2 = 7 \quad \text{Add 2 to the total}$$

The unknown quantity isn't changing but the variables change what is done to give the result