



1) Subtract 13 from 276

For this question you are looking for the children to use an efficient mental method such as counting back or partitioning rather than using a written method.

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2) $345 - 9 =$

For this question you are looking for the children to use an efficient mental method such as rounding rather than using a written method.

If children have the answer 335 or 334, this may be a misconception when using rounding for subtraction.

See Q2 lesson notes.

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3) $567 - 365$

For this question you are looking for the children to use an efficient mental method such as counting on to find the difference. Some children may have used a written method and may need more opportunities to develop efficient mental strategies.

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4) $9878 - 5012$

	9	8	7	8					
-	5	0	1	2					
	4	8	6	6					

Children to have demonstrated use of the formal written subtraction method.

4866

5) Take away 3245 from 14896

1	4	8	9	6					
-	3	2	4	5					
0	1	6	5	1					

Look out for children who have taken 14896 from 3245 by presenting the sum incorrectly. Look for any misconceptions with place value as they are required to subtract a 4 digit number from a 5 digit number

1651

6) $898728 - 18312$

8	9	8	7	2	8				
-	1	8	3	1	2				
0	8	0	4	1	6				

Look for any misconceptions with place value as they are required to subtract a 5 digit number from a 6 digit number.

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7) 63746 - 42587

			6	13	1				
	6	3	7	4	6				
-	4	2	5	8	7				
	2	1	1	5	9				

The children should demonstrate understanding of the use of exchanging.

21159

8) 87052 - 69372

	7	16	1 / 9	1					
	8	7	0	5	2				
-	6	9	3	7	2				
	1	7	6	8	0				

The children should demonstrate understanding of exchanging when subtracting from zero.

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9) 28.90 - 1.23

			8	1					
	2	8	9	0					
-		1	2	3					
	2	7	6	7					

Some children may have demonstrated the use of a mental method here. Ensure that children demonstrate understanding of place value.

27.67

10) Sammy has been saving her pocket money. She has £25 to spend on clothes. She buys two tops and a pair of shorts. How much money does she have left?



£9.99



£6.99



£12.99

							4	1 9	1
+	6	9	9		-	2	5	0	0
	6	9	9			2	3	9	7
	9	9	9			0	1	0	3
2	3	9	7						
2	2	2							

£ 1.03

Use this question to assess the children's understanding of word problems and their ability to select the relevant information and the correct operations to use in the multi-step problem.

Also assess the children's ability to be able to subtract decimal amounts from whole amounts using either a written method or a mental method.

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