

Decimal Subtraction

Set out. Line up decimal points so ones, tenths, and hundredths stay in the same columns. Then subtract as usual.

SEE ONE

$$\begin{array}{r} 78.02 \\ - 15.56 \\ \hline 62.46 \end{array}$$

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$$78.02 - 15.56 = 62.46$$

TRY THE TRAIL

1

Line up decimal points.

2

Subtract from right to left.

3

Regroup across place values when needed.

Notice this: Line up decimal points, not the right edges of the numbers.

Ready? Flip the page and use the same move on each problem.



Decimal Subtraction

Do: Solve each problem. Use the picture or place-value setup when it is shown.

1

$$\begin{array}{r} 91.89 \\ - 47.47 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

2

$$\begin{array}{r} 62.69 \\ - 32.43 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

3

$$\begin{array}{r} 82.63 \\ - 64.41 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

4

$$\begin{array}{r} 86.93 \\ - 23.49 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

5

$$\begin{array}{r} 70.15 \\ - 25.12 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

6

$$\begin{array}{r} 91.26 \\ - 42.27 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

CHECK YOUR TRAIL SENSE

Try this one without help.

$$\begin{array}{r} 17.98 \\ - 4.69 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

One careful line at a time. Accuracy comes before speed.

For the grown-up: Draw one straight line down through both decimal points before you subtract. Keep the answers on the separate key page.



Decimal Subtraction

Keep going: Complete all 24. Work straight down each column.

$$\begin{array}{r} 19.32 \\ - 17.88 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 57.36 \\ - 45.19 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 80.98 \\ - 62.26 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 89.37 \\ - 78.99 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 81.96 \\ - 74.89 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 74.50 \\ - 55.32 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 50.32 \\ - 47.40 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 74.55 \\ - 59.45 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 79.98 \\ - 76.05 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 87.33 \\ - 76.85 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 63.89 \\ - 47.50 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 82.91 \\ - 57.31 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 95.01 \\ - 56.16 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 77.83 \\ - 8.23 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 81.63 \\ - 61.87 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 80.26 \\ - 48.23 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 44.60 \\ - 39.32 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 30.78 \\ - 6.50 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 32.47 \\ - 3.21 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 92.89 \\ - 70.16 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 90.77 \\ - 66.53 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 73.51 \\ - 55.59 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 51.14 \\ - 11.28 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 75.53 \\ - 41.46 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Steady repetition makes the next problem feel familiar.



Decimal Subtraction

Outcome: Your child can subtract decimals by aligning place values.
Readiness: Start here if your child can subtract whole numbers and understands tenths and hundredths.

GUIDED PAGE ANSWERS

1. 44.42
2. 30.26
3. 18.22
4. 63.44
5. 45.03
6. 48.99
- Check. 13.29

PRACTICE PAGE ANSWERS

1. 1.44
2. 12.17
3. 18.72
4. 10.38
5. 7.07
6. 19.18
7. 2.92
8. 15.10
9. 3.93
10. 10.48
11. 16.39
12. 25.60
13. 38.85
14. 69.60
15. 19.76
16. 32.03
17. 5.28
18. 24.28
19. 29.26
20. 22.73
21. 24.24
22. 17.92
23. 39.86
24. 34.07

WATCH FOR

Your child lines up the final digits instead of the decimal points.

SAY THIS

“Draw one straight line down through both decimal points before you subtract.”

NEXT USEFUL TRAIL

Fraction Subtraction

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