

Three-Digit Subtraction

Set out. Subtract from right to left. Regroup from the next place whenever the top digit is too small.

SEE ONE

$$\begin{array}{r} 416 \\ - 157 \\ \hline 259 \end{array}$$

Subtract from right to left. Regroup from the next place whenever the top digit is too small.

$$416 - 157 = 259$$

TRY THE TRAIL

1

Line up place values.

2

Subtract from right to left.

3

Regroup when the top digit is too small.

Notice this: Every regrouping changes two neighboring place values.

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



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

1

$$\begin{array}{r} 215 \\ - 109 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

2

$$\begin{array}{r} 263 \\ - 213 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

3

$$\begin{array}{r} 513 \\ - 338 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

4

$$\begin{array}{r} 547 \\ - 527 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

5

$$\begin{array}{r} 551 \\ - 423 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

6

$$\begin{array}{r} 886 \\ - 313 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

CHECK YOUR TRAIL SENSE

Try this one without help.

$$\begin{array}{r} 863 \\ - 551 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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

For the grown-up: Mark both changes before you solve the column. Keep the answers on the separate key page.



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

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 483 \\ - 228 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \quad 482 \\ - 260 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \quad 713 \\ - 235 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \quad 654 \\ - 521 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5 \quad 848 \\ - 209 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \quad 591 \\ - 181 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 \quad 974 \\ - 766 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \quad 414 \\ - 210 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \quad 762 \\ - 607 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10 \quad 845 \\ - 445 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 11 \quad 647 \\ - 299 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 12 \quad 238 \\ - 221 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 13 \quad 994 \\ - 227 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 14 \quad 732 \\ - 522 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 15 \quad 567 \\ - 168 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 16 \quad 628 \\ - 606 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 17 \quad 640 \\ - 105 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 18 \quad 218 \\ - 205 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 19 \quad 563 \\ - 204 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 \quad 531 \\ - 421 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 21 \quad 265 \\ - 137 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 22 \quad 654 \\ - 232 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 23 \quad 210 \\ - 147 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 24 \quad 571 \\ - 461 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Steady repetition makes the next problem feel familiar.



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Outcome: Your child can subtract three-digit numbers with accurate place-value regrouping.

Readiness: Start here if your child can regroup while subtracting two-digit numbers.

GUIDED PAGE ANSWERS

1. 106 2. 50 3. 175 4. 20 5. 128 6. 573 Check. 312

PRACTICE PAGE ANSWERS

1. 255 2. 222 3. 478 4. 133 5. 639 6. 410 7. 208 8. 204
9. 155 10. 400 11. 348 12. 17 13. 767 14. 210 15. 399 16. 22
17. 535 18. 13 19. 359 20. 110 21. 128 22. 422 23. 63 24. 110

WATCH FOR
Your child changes the receiving digit but not the digit that gave one group away.

SAY THIS
“Mark both changes before you solve the column.”

NEXT USEFUL TRAIL
Four-Digit Subtraction