



Family Letter for Unit 5

Dear Family,

During the next few weeks, our math class will be learning about subtraction with two-digit numbers. We will learn when and how to regroup 1 ten as 10 ones to subtract.

We will also round numbers to the nearest ten to estimate differences and use addition to check our subtraction. As we learn how to subtract two-digit numbers with regrouping, you may wish to use the following sample as a guide.

Vocabulary

difference The answer to a subtraction problem.

regroup In subtraction, to trade 1 ten for 10 ones.

estimate An estimate is an answer that is close to an exact answer.

round To find which number another number is closer to.

Subtract Two-Digit Numbers with Regrouping

Start by looking at the ones. There are not enough ones to subtract 7.

Tens	Ones
□	□
4	2
-	1
1	6

Regroup 1 ten as 10 ones. Subtract the ones.

Tens	Ones
3	12
4	2
-	1
1	6

Subtract the tens.

Tens	Ones
3	12
4	2
-	1
1	6
2	6

During this unit, children should practice and memorize basic subtraction facts.

Sincerely,
Your Child's Teacher

Technology

Check out *Education Place* at eduplace.com/maf for the Math Lingo game, eGlossary, and more games and activities to do together.