



# Hands On: Subtract 2-Digit Numbers

CA Standards  
KEY NS 2.2, MR 1.2

You can subtract 2-digit numbers.

<p><b>Step 1</b></p> <p>Show 56 with   and .</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">Tens</th> <th style="width: 50%;">Ones</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>5 tens      6 ones</p>	Tens	Ones			<p><b>Step 2</b></p> <p>Take away 24.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">Tens</th> <th style="width: 50%;">Ones</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Tens	Ones			<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <p>Count the tens and ones that are left.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">Tens</th> <th style="width: 50%;">Ones</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>3 tens      2 ones</p>	Tens	Ones		
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<p><b>Solution:</b> <math>56 - 24 = 5</math> tens and <math>6</math> ones <math>- 2</math> tens and <math>4</math> ones <math>= 3</math> tens and <math>2</math> ones <math>= 32</math></p>														

Use charts to do the subtractions.

1.  $43 - 23 =$

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2.  $65 - 31 =$

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3.  $29 - 25 =$

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4.  $56 - 22 =$

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5.  $78 - 45 =$

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6.  $42 - 30 =$

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**Writing and Reasoning** Why does the order of the numbers matter when I subtract?

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