

Name _____ Date _____

Hands On: Compare Numbers

CA Standards
NS 1.2, **KEY** NS 1.3

You can use a place-value chart to compare numbers.

hundreds	tens	ones
1	3	6
1	5	2

↑
same

↑
3 tens < 5 tens

> means "is greater than"

< means "is less than"

≠ means "is not equal to"

Because 3 tens is less than 5 tens, **136 < 152**.

Another way to write the same comparison is **152 > 136**.

Here is one way to remember the symbols for comparing.

152 > 136

136 < 152



The duck always eats the greater number.

Compare. Write >, <, or = for each .

1. 24 27

2. 43 83

3. 98 98

4. 50 15

5. 162 157

6. 105 102

7. 170 178

8. 196 214

9. 83 113

10. 742 724

11. 846 846

12. 689 1,689

13. 1,010 1,001

14. 2,514 3,120

15. 4,023 3,965

16. 5,438 9,312

17. 240 204

18. 2,195 2,195



Writing Math

Suppose you use a place-value chart to compare the hundreds digits in 349 and 572. Will you then have to compare the tens digits to see which number is greater? Explain.
