

Unit 5 Overview

Subtracting 2-Digit Numbers

IN THIS UNIT, children learn to subtract 2-digit numbers from 2- and 3-digit numbers. The essential task that children face in multi-digit subtraction is determining whether there are enough ones in the ones place and tens in the tens place to subtract. If not, children must ungroup a hundred into 10 tens and a ten into 10 ones. Children will learn two ungrouping methods, the Expanded Method and the Ungroup First Method, as well as the Adding Up Method for subtraction. Through the use of conceptual tools, such as a dot array, sticks and circles, and dollars and cents, children will understand the concept behind what they do when they subtract. These tools also allow children to develop their own solution methods.

