

Max's Money Mastery: Mastering Decimals and Calculations

Join Max the Monkey on a money-saving mission! Can you solve the puzzle of your pocket money?

- When adding or subtracting amounts of money, always line up your decimal points to ensure your pounds and pence stay in the correct columns.
- To convert pence to pounds, divide the amount by 100. For example, 75p is the same as £0.75.
- When calculating change, use a number line to count up from the price of the item to the total amount of money you handed over.
- Always round your estimates to the nearest pound if you want a quick way to check if your total is roughly correct before you calculate the exact amount.
- Remember that £5.50 is the same as £5.5; in currency, we always use two decimal places to show the pence, so we write £5.50.

Did you know? Did you know? The word 'pound' comes from the Latin word 'pondus', which means 'weight'. Long ago, one British pound was exactly equivalent in value to one pound weight of silver!

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