

Max's Brilliant Subtraction Guide

Subtract like a Super-Solver with Max the Monkey!

- The column method helps us organise our numbers. Always line up the ones, tens, hundreds, and thousands in the correct columns.
- Start subtracting from the ones column on the right. Always work your way from right to left.
- If the top number is smaller than the bottom number, you must exchange! Borrow 10 from the column to the left.
- To check if your answer is correct, you can add your answer to the smaller number. You should get the starting total back again!
- Remember the money rule! When working with £, always keep your decimal points lined up straight like soldiers.

Did you know? Did you know? The word 'subtract' comes from the Latin word 'subtrahere', which means to 'pull away'. When you subtract, you are taking a part away from the whole to find the difference!

Key vocabulary: Difference · Subtract · Minus · Exchange · Column · Total