

Max the Monkey's Market Maths

Learning objective: To add numbers with up to three digits using formal written methods and column addition.

Max the monkey is helping at the community market. He needs to calculate the total price for customers buying two items. Use column addition to solve the sums below. Show your working out clearly by lining up your hundreds, tens, and ones columns. Remember to carry over any tens or hundreds if your total goes over 9!

Word bank: total · column · sum · add · carry · digit · value

1. A customer buys a bag of apples for £1.25 and a bunch of bananas for £2.40. What is the total cost? (2 marks)

2. A basket of oranges costs £3.18 and a punnet of strawberries costs £2.54. Calculate the sum of these two items. (2 marks)

3. Max finds a box of pears priced at £4.65 and a jar of honey for £3.27. What is the total amount for these two items? (2 marks)

4. Find the sum of 542 and 329. Show your column addition method. (2 marks)

5. If you add 675 and 218, what is your answer? Explain how you handled the 'carry' in the ones column. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey standing at a market stall with two baskets of fruit. Label the first basket with a price of £2.50 and the second basket with a price of £1.75.



Extension challenge: Create your own 'Market Challenge' by choosing three items from your kitchen, estimating their prices in pounds and pence, and adding them together to find the grand total.