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## Addition and Subtraction Explained for Parents and Carers

In the Year 3 National Curriculum, children are expected to add numbers both mentally and by using a formal method. In schools, they are taught the formal methods of column addition and column subtraction to add and subtract 3-digit numbers. The curriculum focuses on making children 'masters' of these methods so they can apply them to a range of problems and situations. Therefore, the range of activities in this booklet will help your child develop their fluency, reasoning and problem solving when using column addition and column subtraction.

## The Column Method

The column method of addition and subtraction is so called because it sets the numbers out in columns based on their place value, i.e. Hundreds, Tens and Ones. (Note: If your child isn't secure with place value, it is best to go over this before completing any column addition and subtraction.) To begin this method, we always start by adding, or subtracting, the numbers in the right column and then work along to the left, adding or subtracting the numbers in that column.

When using column subtraction, the largest number is always placed above the smaller number. Also, you must always subtract the digit below from the number above; this is sometimes a common misconception with children as they sometimes just calculate the difference between the two numbers.


## Borrowing vs Exchanging

During school, you were probably taught to 'borrow' from the next column if you couldn't subtract the bottom number from the top number in a column. However, the current term used for this procedure is exchanging. Ask your child what the teacher calls it in school to ensure you are consistent with what is taught in their classroom.

For a fully detailed explanation of column addition and subtraction, please use the following resources on the Twinkl website:

Year 3 Addition and Subtraction Lesson 3b Adding 3 and 3 Digit Numbers Without Carrying Powerpoint

Year 3 Addition and Subtraction Lesson 4d
Subtracting 3 Digit Numbers from 3 Digit Numbers (Exchanging Once) Powerpoint

## Mrs Roach's Class

For a maths task, Mrs Roach recorded the height of some children in her class at the start of the year. She measured the same children again at the end of the year. Calculate the new height of each child at the end of the year.


Tip - if you need help, use the 100 square at the back of this booklet to help you add by counting on.


Recorded Height: 112 cm
Height Increase: 8 cm
New Height:


Recorded Height: 138 cm
Height Increase: 4 cm
New Height:


## The Witch's Magic Cauldrons

Below, there are some witch's cauldrons. Each cauldron has a specific calculation that it does to each number that is placed in it. Complete the calculations on each cauldron and then write the answer in the bubbles on the other side. The first has been done for you.


## The Witch's Magic Cauldrons



## Challenge

Create your own maths cauldron by writing 3-digit numbers on the left side of the cauldron and the answers on the right after they have been placed in the maths magic cauldron.


Brain Break 1: Mindfulness Colouring Safari


## Sophie's Homework: Column Addition

Sophie has been set the following calculations to complete by her teacher. However, she is struggling to solve the calculations. Help Sophie by completing each of the column additions below.


Without Regrouping


With Regrouping


## Hermes Shoe Factory

The statistics for the amount of sports trainers made in one week at the Hermes Shoe Factory are shown below. Use the statistics below to answer the questions. Complete your working out in the boxes provided.

| Day of the Week | Number of Red Trainers <br> Made | Number of Green <br> Trainers Made |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Monday | 652 | 258 |
| Tuesday | 431 | 379 |
| Wednesday | 254 | 816 |
| Thursday | 435 | 624 |
| Friday | 843 | 894 |

How many trainers were made altogether on Tuesday?
$\square$
How many green trainers were made altogether on Monday and Tuesday?
$\square$

## Hermes Shoe Factory

How many red trainers were made altogether on Wednesday and Thursday?


Challenge
Write your own addition problem about the data and try to solve it below. Show your working out.

## Brain Break 2: Slime Craft Activity

## You will need:

450 g cornflour
475 ml water
food colouring (optional)


## Instructions:

1. Place the cornflour in a large mixing bowl.
2. Slowly pour in the water and mix thoroughly with your hands. You could add a few drops of food colouring if you wish to make colourful slime.
3. Keep mixing until the water and cornflour are fully blended together and the slime has the consistency of honey. You can add more cornflour to make the slime thicker or more water to make it runnier. Now have fun with your slime!

## Things You Can Do with This Non-Newtonian Fluid

This slime is a non-Newtonian fluid, which means it acts differently to how we expect a liquid to behave. Try doing these things with your slime and see what happens:

1. In the mixing bowl, punch the slime but withdraw your fist back very quickly.
2. Scoop some of the slime into your hand and roll it into a ball.

## Non-Newtonian Fluids

Why can you roll this slime into a ball and punch it to make it harder?
When you mix cornflour in water, the large cornflour particles remain suspended in the water. The slime is thick because, whilst the particles are packed very close together, they can still move past each other. If you stir the liquid slowly, the suspended particles have time to move past each other. However, when sudden pressure is applied, like a punch, the water flows out of the area but the particles do not have time to move away. The cornflour particles momentarily stay packed together and act like a solid until they have time to move away.

## Important

Do not pour the slime down the sink when finished as this could block pipes. Instead, spoon the mixture into a food bag, seal it securely and place it in the bin.

Column Subtraction

Use column subtraction to complete these calculations. Remember to always subtract the number below from the number above in each column. If the number above is smaller, you need to exchange.

Column Subtraction without Exchanging


Column Subtraction with Exchanging


## Subway Subtraction

Below is a list of trains which travel through the subway system in New York. Use column subtraction to calculate how much further each train has to travel to reach the end of its journey by subtracting the length travelled from the total length of the journey. Do your working out in the space provided and then place the correct answer in the table.

| Train | Length of Journey <br> (metres) | Distance Travelled <br> so Far (metres) | Remaining <br> Journey (metres) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Train A | 425 | 284 |  |
| Train B | 367 | 218 |  |
| Train C | 896 | 427 |  |
| Train D | 584 | 352 |  |
| Train E | 982 | 241 |  |

Complete your working out here.

## Brain Break 3: Friendship Word Search

e $l a u g h t e r s e q$ c $s u p p$ o $r$ t $n \quad e \quad s$ $n j h e l p f u l n t s$ $a \quad o \quad e \quad a \quad z \quad$ s $h o z e h$ ru m l p z j i hr i s $u \quad r \quad$ l $f \quad p \mathrm{t} i \mathrm{u} p \mathrm{~s} \mathrm{~h}$ $s \quad n \quad b \quad r \quad a \quad i \quad t \quad e \quad z \quad g$ $s e j y t s n n n e m n$ a y wi j $e$ u de zn i $e q \vee u v p n r c s i r$ $r \quad n \quad k \quad d \quad p i l u t u s a$ i $v a \operatorname{q} \quad k \quad z \quad n \quad u \quad f \quad$ g $\quad$ c

| fun | kindness | invitations |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| laughter | caring | happiness |
| adventures | reassurance | journey |
| trust | support | helpful |

## Solve the Problems

Use your knowledge of addition and subtraction to solve the problems below. Use the space in the boxes to complete your working out.

1. A theatre sold 257 tickets for a play. Then, on the night of the play, another 147 tickets were sold. How many tickets were sold altogether? $\qquad$
$\square$
2. I think of a number. I add 73 and then subtract 154 . The answer I get is 358 . What number did I start with? $\qquad$
$\square$
3. John says that $248+156=404$. Fill in the boxes below to show a subtraction calculation to check that John is correct.

4. Gemma has collected 425 pennies. Her grandmother then gives her another 356 pennies. How many pennies does she have now? $\qquad$ -

## Hundred Square

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 |
| 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 |
| 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 |
| 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 |
| 71 | 72 | 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 | 79 | 80 |
| 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 |
| 91 | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 |

## Answers

Page 4

1. 134 cm
2. 135 cm
3. 140 cm
4. 116 cm
5. 120 cm
6. 144 cm
7. 118 cm
8. 142 cm

## Page 5

1. 359,718 and 412
2. 545, 946 and 311
3. 647,338 and 311
4. 478,1042 and 591
5. 538,424 and 838

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1. 623,139 and 192
2. 659,830 and 593
3. 446,537 and 238
4. 564,1042 and 1272
5. 743,609 and 236
6. 693,674 and 1010

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Without Regrouping

1. 787
2. 499
3. 787
4. 983
5. 869

There were 8 black cats altogether! How many did you find?
6. 978
7. 899
8. 885

With Regrouping
9. 841
10. 835
11. 950
12. 470
13. 962
14. 644
15. 806
16. 937

## Pages 9 \& 10

1. 810
2. 537
3. 689
4. Friday

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Without Exchanging

1. 233
2. 221
3. 321
4. 232
5. 205
6. 511
7. 311
8. 213

## With Exchanging

9. 253
10. 314
11. 191
12. 463
13. 164
14. 307
15. 194
16. 387

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17. 141
18. 149
19. 469
20. 232
21. 741

## Page 15

22. 404 tickets
23. 439
24. $404-248=156$
25. 781 pennies
