



The Parent Sessions: Mathematical Methods Year 5

An explanation of ARE (Appropriate, Reliable, Efficient)

- ▶ The ARE framework (Appropriate, Reliable, Efficient) in maths helps choose the best problem-solving strategy:
 1. **Appropriate:** Select a method suited to the problem (e.g., mental maths for simple calculations, algorithms for complex ones).
 2. **Reliable:** Ensure the method consistently gives correct results (e.g., standard algorithms for accuracy).
 3. **Efficient:** Solve the problem quickly without sacrificing accuracy (e.g., using shortcuts like compensation).
- ▶ It promotes accuracy, practicality, and flexibility in solving maths problems.

Question: $5400 - 79 =$

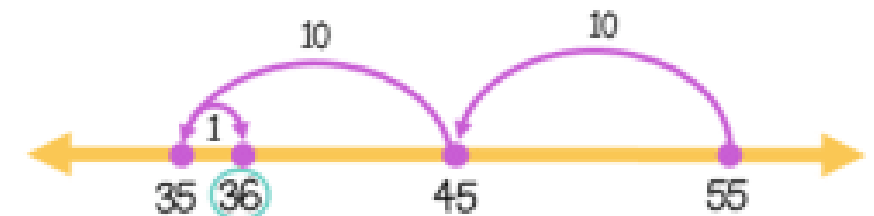
- ▶ To use column method to answer this question might not be the most efficient way. A different approach could be to use the compensation strategy ($5400 - 80 + 1$)

The Rationale Behind:

Compensation on a number line

- ▶ Using compensation on a number line is a strategy that simplifies mental maths by adjusting numbers to facilitate easier calculations. This approach works because:
 1. **Simplification:** Compensation converts a complex operation into a simpler one, such as turning an addition or subtraction into one involving round numbers (e.g., multiples of 10 or 100).
 2. **Visualisation:** On a number line, it becomes easier to see the adjustments visually and track how moving forward or backward relates to the original problem.
 3. **Flexibility:** It encourages thinking flexibly about numbers, allowing for quick adjustments and fostering a deeper understanding of place value and arithmetic operations.
- ▶ For example, solving $48+27$ can be adjusted to $50+25$ by compensating 2 from the 27 to the 48, which is easier to compute. The number line helps students visually track and verify this adjustment.

*Subtract a “friendly number” and compensate



$$55 - 19$$



19 is close to 20. I started at 55, took away 2 tens, then added 1 back in.

The Classroom Key

Example Questions: Compensation on a number line

Question 1:

- Using compensation, solve $48+27$ on a number line.

Solution:

1. Adjust 48 to 50 by adding 2 (compensation step).
2. Subtract the 2 from 27, making it 25.
3. Now compute $50+25=75$.
4. On a number line, move from 48 to 50, then add 25 to reach 75.

Example Questions: Compensation on a number line

Question 2:

- Find $63-29$ using compensation on a number line.

Solution:

1. Adjust 29 to 30 by adding 1.
2. Calculate $63-30=33$.
3. Add back the 1 you subtracted earlier: $33+1=34$.
4. On a number line, move back 30 from 63 to 33, then forward 1 to reach 34.

Example Questions: Compensation on a number line

Question 3:

- Calculate $135+47$ using compensation on a number line.

Solution:

1. Adjust 47 to 50 by adding 3.
2. Calculate $135+50=185$.
3. Subtract the 3 you added earlier: $185-3=182$.
4. On a number line, move 135 forward 50 to 185, then back 3 to 182.

Practice questions for using compensation on a number line, organized into three levels.

Starter (Basic Questions)

- ▶ Focus on simple addition or subtraction within 50, emphasizing small adjustments.
- 1. $38+9$: Use compensation to simplify the addition.
(Hint: Adjust 9 to 10 for easier calculation.)
- 2. $24-8$: Use compensation to solve.
(Hint: Adjust 8 to 10, then subtract and adjust back.)
- 3. $45+6$: Solve using compensation.
(Hint: Add 5 to make 45 a round number.)

Expected (Intermediate Questions)

- ▶ Involve larger numbers and require more flexible compensation strategies.
- 4. $63 + +29$: Use compensation to simplify.
(Hint: Adjust 29 to 30 for easier addition.)
- 5. $84-27$: Solve using compensation.
(Hint: Adjust 27 to 30 by adding 3, then compensate.)
- 6. $56+48$: Apply compensation to find the total.
(Hint: Round 48 to 50 for a simpler calculation.)

Practice questions for using compensation on a number line, organized into three levels.

Challenge (Advanced Questions)

- ▶ Require multi-step compensation or involve larger numbers.
- 7. $135 + 47$: Use compensation to solve.
(Hint: Round 47 to 50, then adjust back.)
- 8. $219 - 88$: Solve using compensation.
(Hint: Round 88 to 90, subtract, and compensate.)
- 9. $375 + 198$: Simplify using compensation.
(Hint: Adjust 198 to 200 for easier addition.)
- 10. $1,004 - 497$: Use compensation to find the result.
(Hint: Round 497 to 500, then adjust.)

Questions to ask during the process – Compensation on a number line

- ▶ **What is the easiest way to adjust one of the numbers to make the calculation simpler?**
(Helps the student think about how to compensate by rounding a number to a more convenient value.)
- ▶ **How do you move on the number line to reflect your compensation?**
(Encourages the student to visualise the adjustments on the number line.)
- ▶ **After you adjust, what do you need to do to make sure you haven't changed the original problem?**
(Prompts the student to remember to compensate back to maintain accuracy.)
- ▶ **How can you check that your compensation is correct?**
(Encourages the student to double-check their work by reversing the compensation step.)
- ▶ **Can you think of a different way to compensate that might make the calculation easier?**
(Encourages flexible thinking and exploring alternative compensation strategies.)

The Rationale Behind:

Related Number Facts

- ▶ We use related number facts in maths to help students make connections between known and new calculations, simplifying problem-solving. For example:
- ▶ **Building Efficiency:** Knowing that $(6 + 4 = 10)$ helps solve $(60 + 40 = 100)$, reinforcing the connection between basic and extended facts.
- ▶ **Promoting Understanding:** It strengthens understanding of place value and arithmetic relationships, fostering deeper number sense.
- ▶ **Encouraging Mental Strategies:** Related facts support mental maths by allowing students to break problems into smaller, more manageable parts based on familiar patterns.
- ▶ This approach develops confidence and fluency in mathematical operations.

Find all the missing numbers in these related facts.



$$6 \times 3 = \boxed{18}$$

$$3 \times \boxed{6} = 18$$

$$18 \div 6 = \boxed{3}$$

$$\boxed{18} \div 3 = 6$$

Example Questions: Related Number Facts

Question 1:

- Using the fact $5+5=10$, solve $50+50$.

Solution:

1. Recognize the relationship between $5+5=10$ and $50+50$.
2. Since $50=5\times 10$, the answer is $10\times 10=100$.
3. Final Answer: $50+50=100$.

Example Questions: Related Number Facts

Question 2:

► If $7 \times 6 = 42$, what is 70×6 ?

Solution:

1. Use the related fact $7 \times 6 = 42$.
2. Multiply 42 by 10 (since $70 = 7 \times 10$).
3. Final Answer: $70 \times 6 = 420$.

Example Questions: Related Number Facts

Question 3:

- ▶ Using the facts $8-3=5$, solve $80-30$.

Solution:

1. Recognize that 80 and 30 are multiples of 8 and 3 (scaled by 10).
2. Subtract $80-30$ by scaling 5 (the result of $8-3$) by 10.
3. Final Answer: $80-30=50$.

Practice questions for using related number facts, organized into three levels.

Starter (Basic Questions)

- ▶ Focus on simple, small-scale number facts to build confidence.
- ▶ If $3+2=5$, what is $30+20$?
(Hint: Scale up by 10.)
- ▶ Using $4\times 2=8$, solve 40×2 .
(Hint: Multiply 88 by 10.)
- ▶ If $9-5=4$, what is $90-50$?
Hint: Scale the result by 10.)
- ▶ Using $6+7=13$, find $60+70$.
Hint: Scale up the sum by 10.)

Expected (Intermediate Questions)

- ▶ Extend to larger numbers or include decimals.
- 5. If $8\times 3=24$, solve 80×3 .
(Hint: Scale the product by 10.)
- 6. Using $12 + 8 = 20$, find $120+80$.
(Hint: Use place value to simplify.)
- 7. If $14-6=8$, solve $140-60$.
(Hint: Recognize the scaled subtraction.)
- 8. Using $25+25=50$, find $2.5+2.5$.
(Hint: Scale down the original sum.)

Practice questions for using related number facts, organized into three levels.

Challenge (Advanced Questions)

- ▶ Introduce multi-step problems and more complex scaling.
- 9. Using $7 \times 6 = 42$, find 70×60 .
(Hint: Multiply 42 by 10 twice for scaling.)
- 10. If $5 + 3 = 8$, solve $0.5 + 0.3$.
(Hint: Scale down by 10 and add.)

Questions to ask during the process – Related Number Facts

- ▶ **What smaller fact do you already know that could help you solve this?**
(Encourages the student to identify a simpler, related fact.)
- ▶ **How does this fact relate to the numbers in the problem?**
(Prompts them to connect the known fact to the scaled-up or extended problem.)
- ▶ **Can you explain how scaling up or down affects the result?**
(Helps the student think about the impact of place value or multiplication/division.)
- ▶ **How can you check if your answer makes sense?**
(Promotes self-checking by verifying the relationship between the fact and the solution.)
- ▶ **What would happen if the numbers were 10 times bigger (or smaller)?**
(Encourages flexible thinking about scaling and reinforces understanding.)

Key Language to use

Compensation on a number line

- ▶ Round
- ▶ Compensate
- ▶ Inverse
- ▶ Prove
- ▶ Check
- ▶ Friendly number
- ▶ Visualisation

Related Number Facts

- ▶ Facts
- ▶ Inverse
- ▶ Number bonds
- ▶ Multiplication facts
- ▶ Division facts