

Written Calculation Policy

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Progression towards a standard written method of calculation

Introduction

This calculation policy has been written in line with the programmes of study taken from the revised National Curriculum for Mathematics (2014) and our scheme of learning, White Rose Maths. It provides guidance on appropriate calculation methods and progression. The content is set out in yearly blocks under the following headings: addition, subtraction, times tables, multiplication and division.

A separate mental math's policy outlines mental calculation strategies, including the use of jottings, vocabulary to be developed and the key number facts that children will need to know.

Children will use mental methods as their first port of call when appropriate, but for calculations that they cannot do in their heads, they will need to build up proficiency in using concrete equipment leading to an efficient written method accurately and with confidence.

Aims of the policy

- To ensure consistency and progression in our approach to calculation
- To ensure that children develop an efficient, reliable, formal written method of calculation for all operations by the end of KS2
- To ensure that children can use these methods accurately with confidence and understanding

How to use this policy

- Use the policy as the basis of your planning but ensure you use previous or following years' guidance to allow for personalised learning
- Always use Assessment for Learning to identify suitable next steps in calculation for groups of children
- If, at any time, children are making significant errors, return to the previous stage in calculation
- Cross reference with the mental math's policy for guidance on key facts, key vocabulary and mental methods
- Always use suitable resources, models and images to support children's understanding of calculation and place value, as appropriate
- Encourage children to make sensible choices about the methods they use when solving problems

The Counting Principles

The one-one principle. This involves children assigning one number name to each object that is being counted. Children need to ensure that they count each object only once ensuring they have counted every object.



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The stable-order principle. Children understand when counting, the numbers have to be said in a certain order.

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The cardinal principle. Children understand that the number name assigned to the final object in a group is the total number of objects in that group.

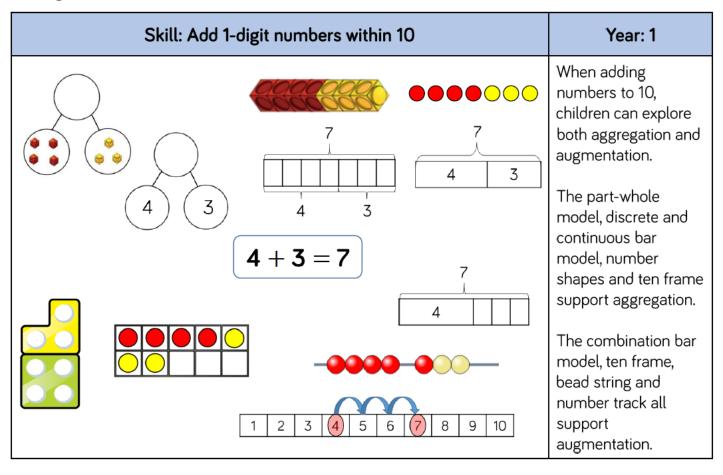


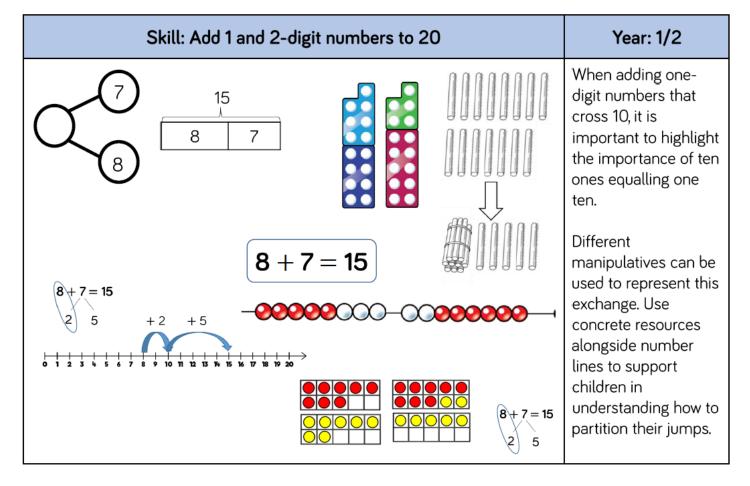
The abstraction principle. This involves children understanding that anything can be counted including things that cannot be touched including sounds and movements e.g. jumps.

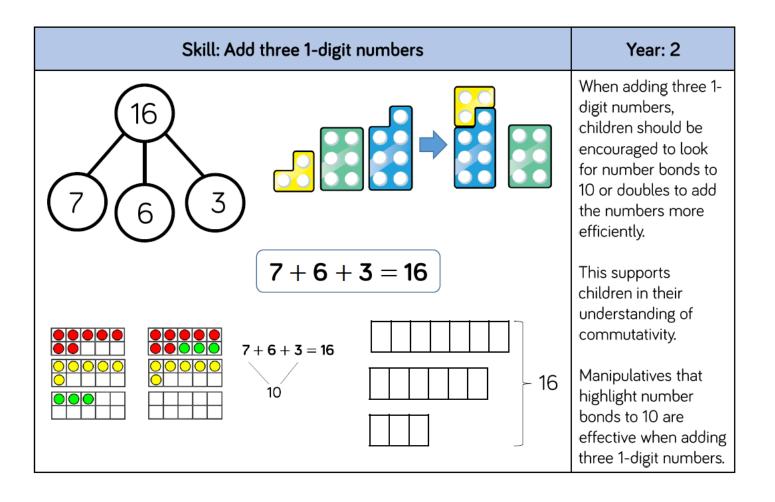


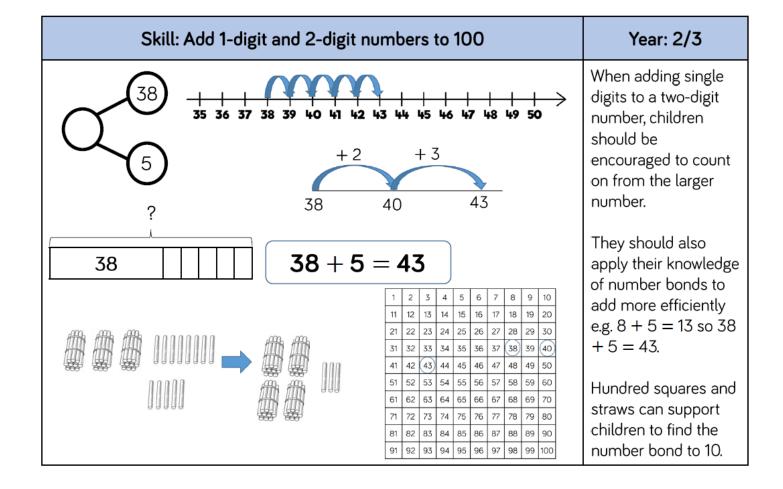
The order-irrelevance principle. This involves children understanding that the order we count a group of objects is irrelevant. There will still be the same number.

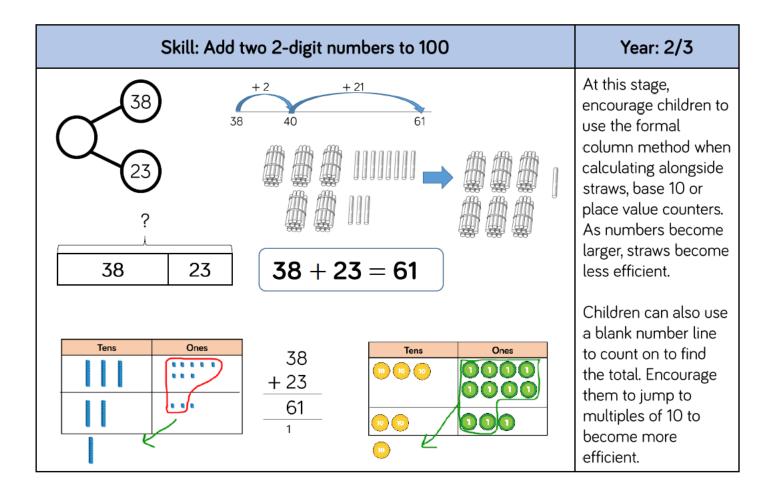
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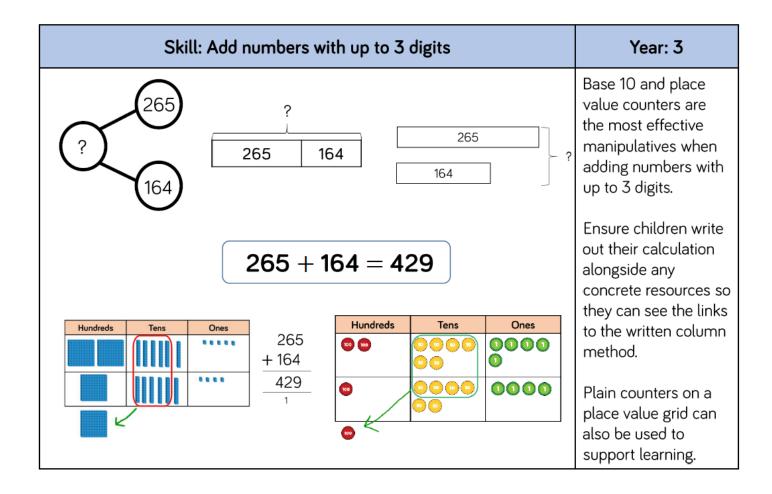


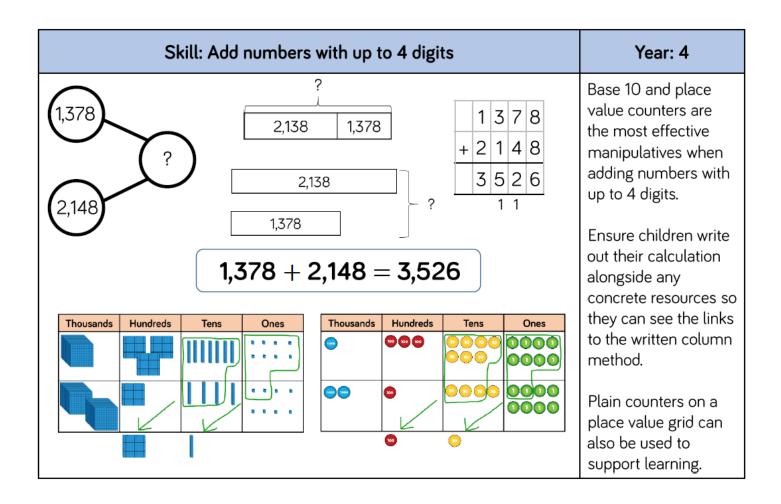


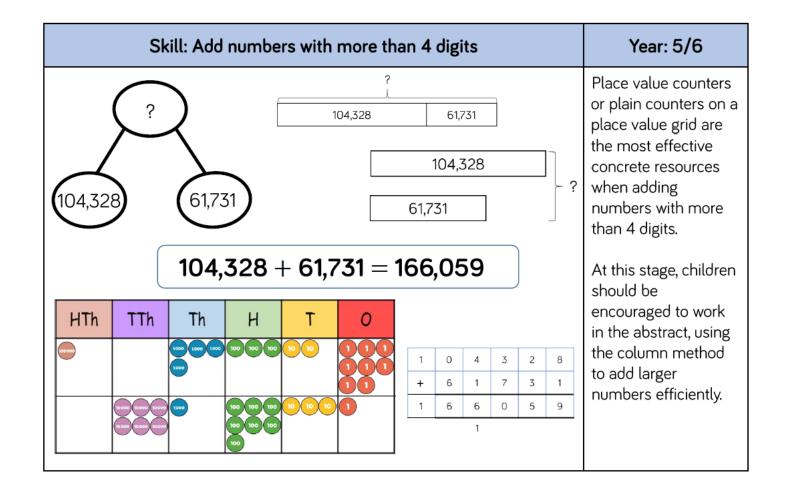


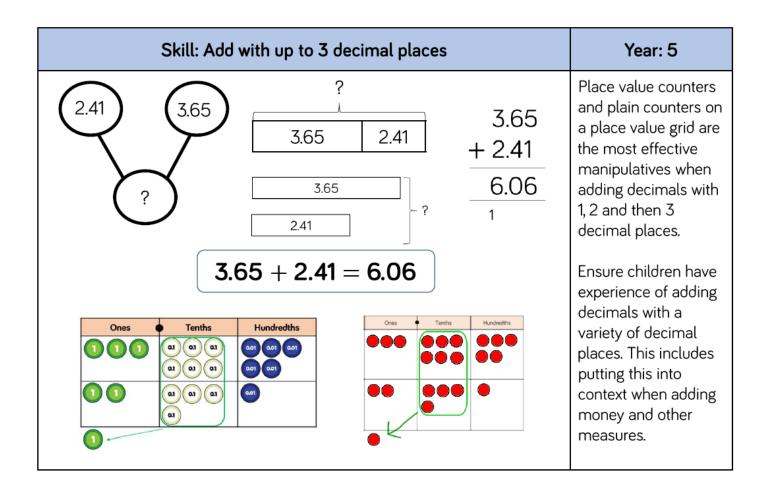




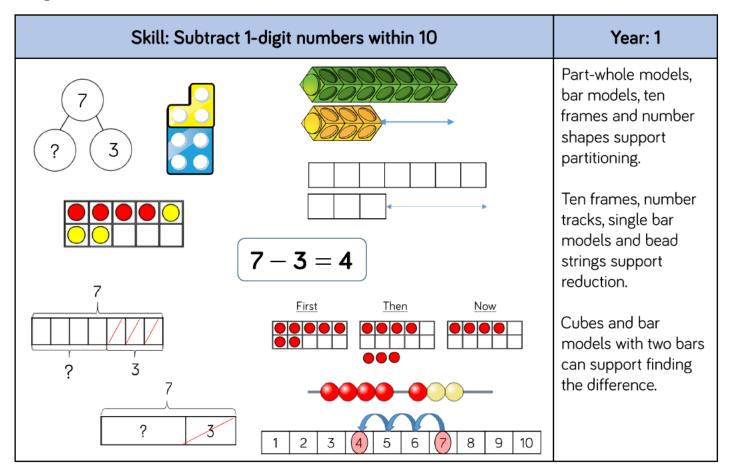


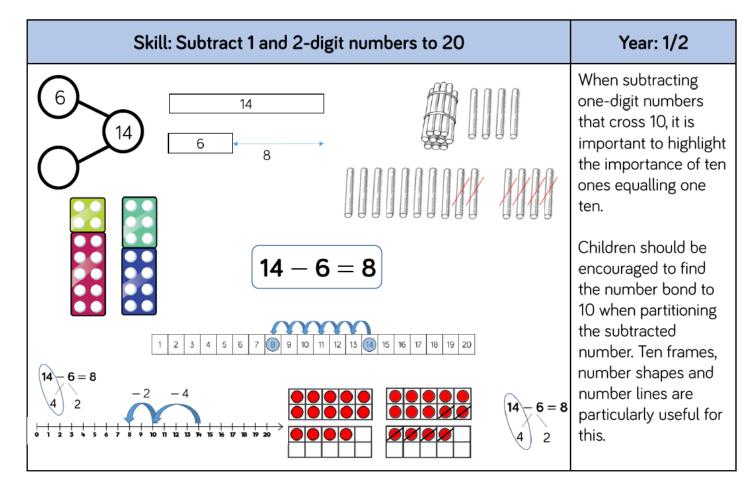


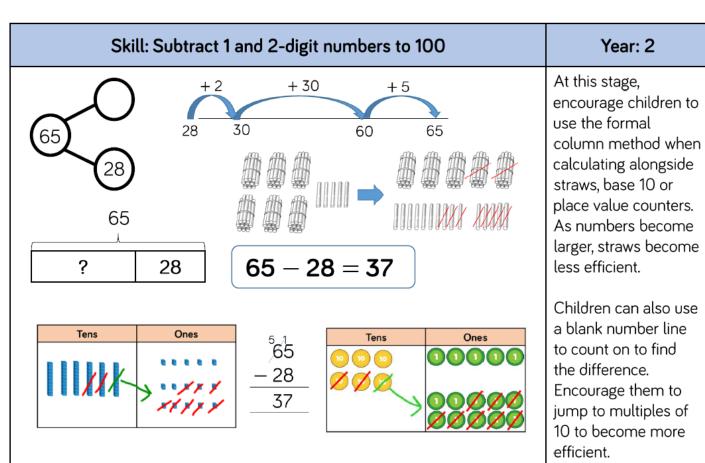


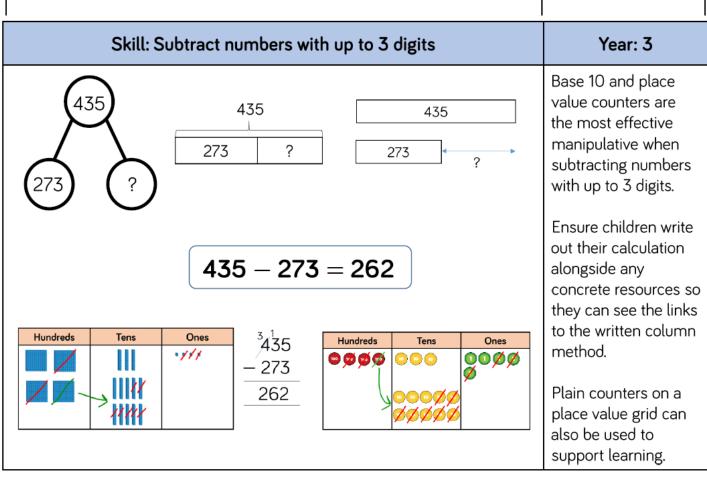


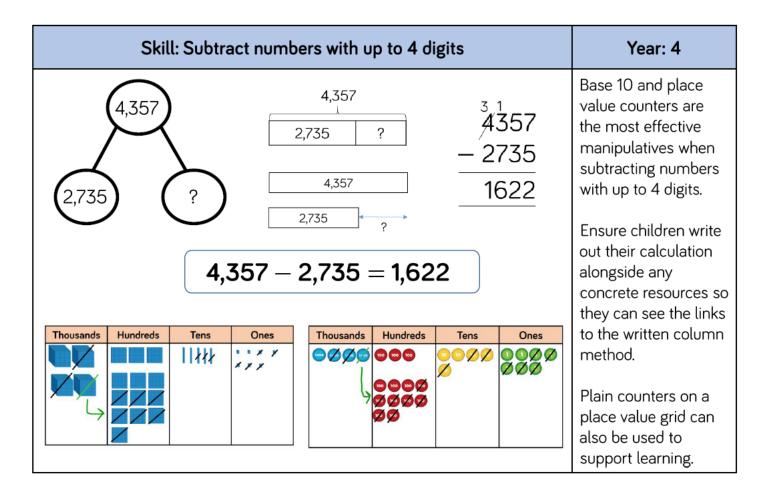
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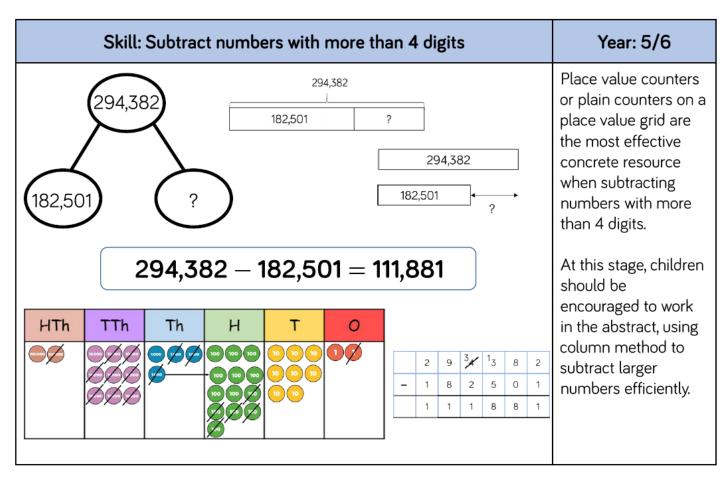


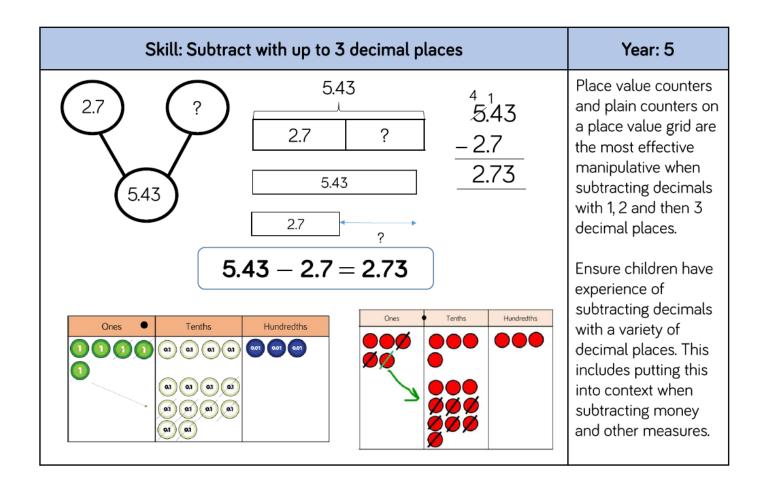




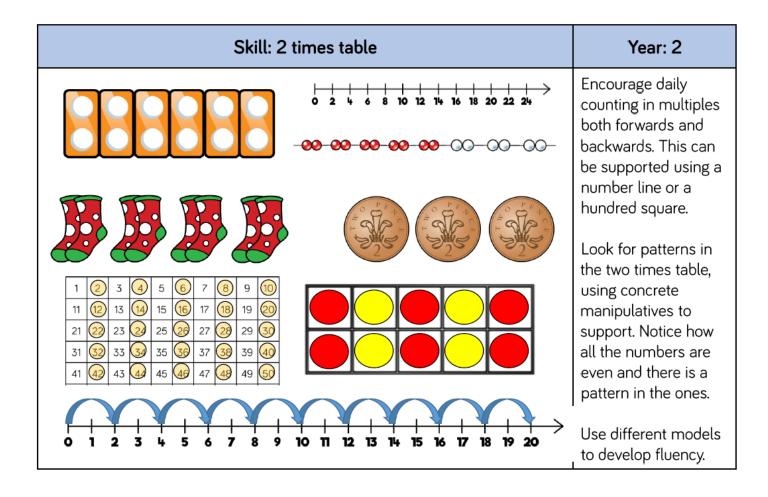


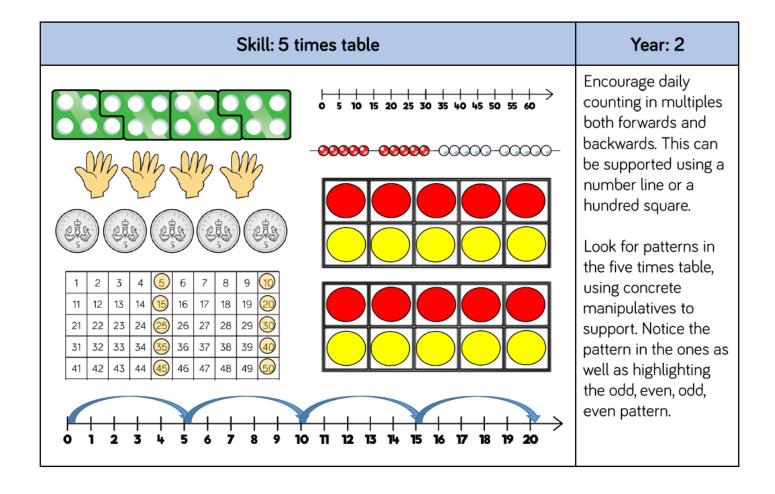


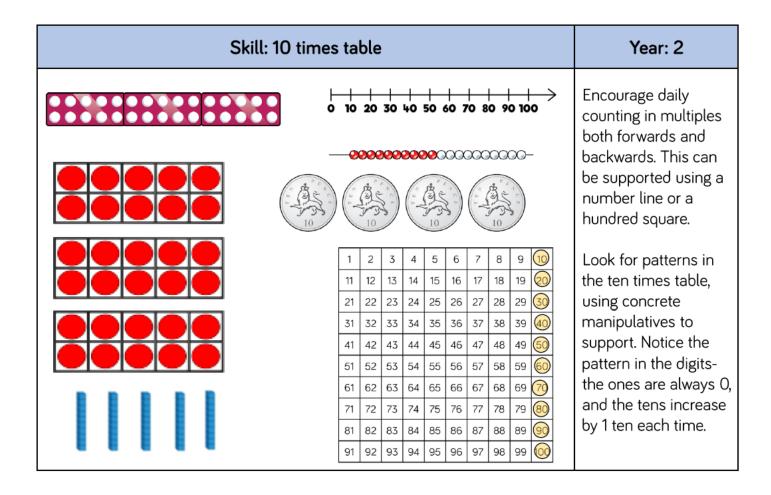


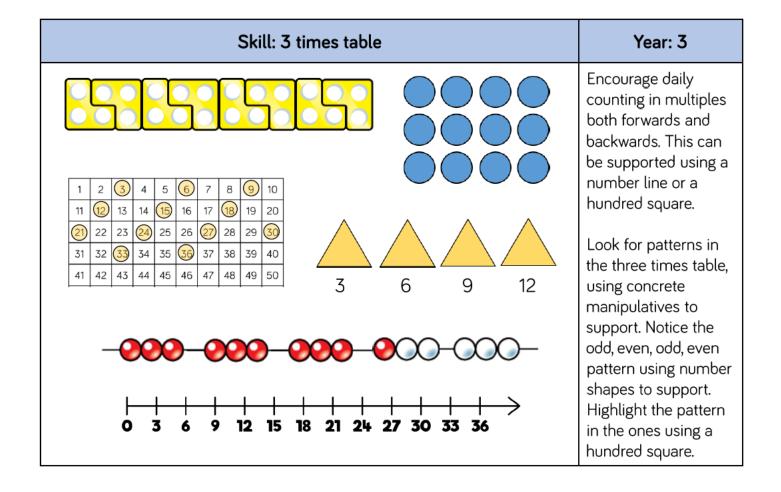


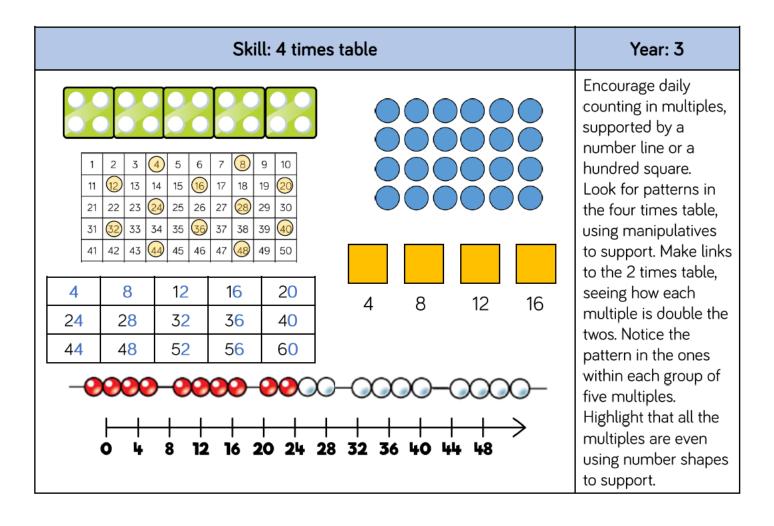
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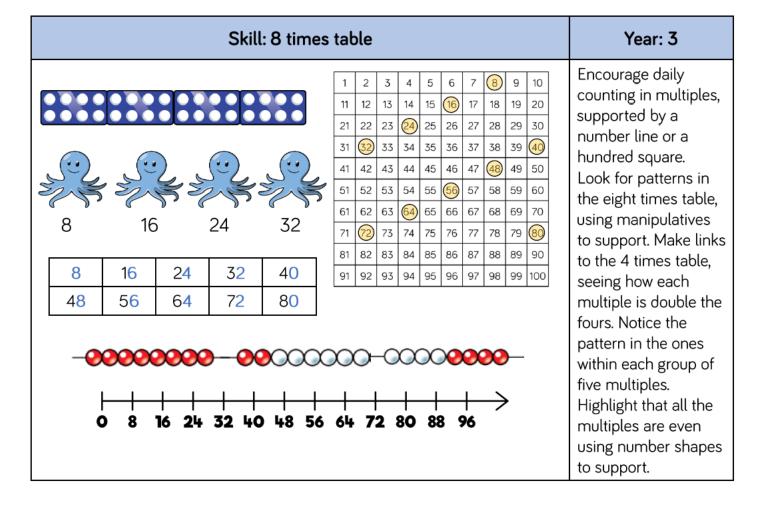


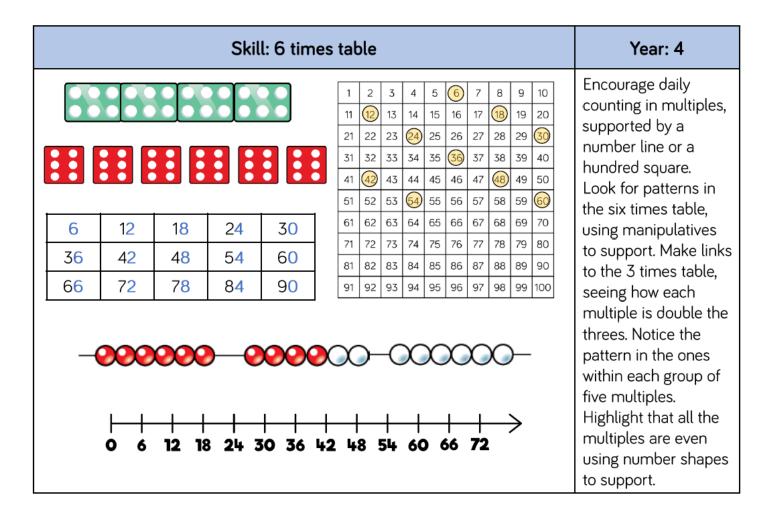


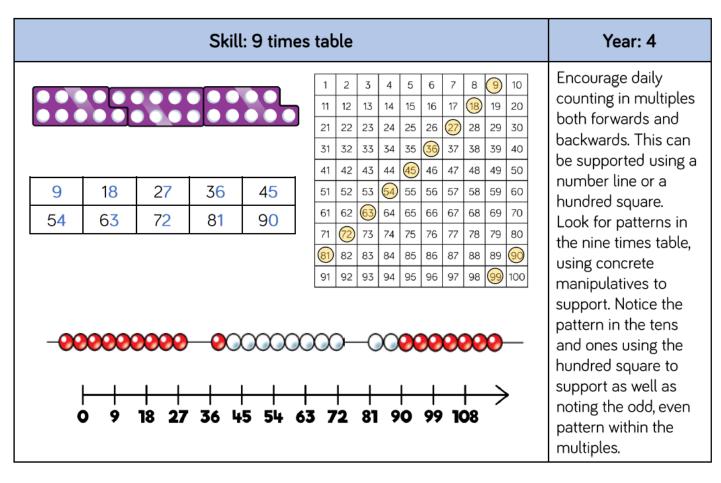


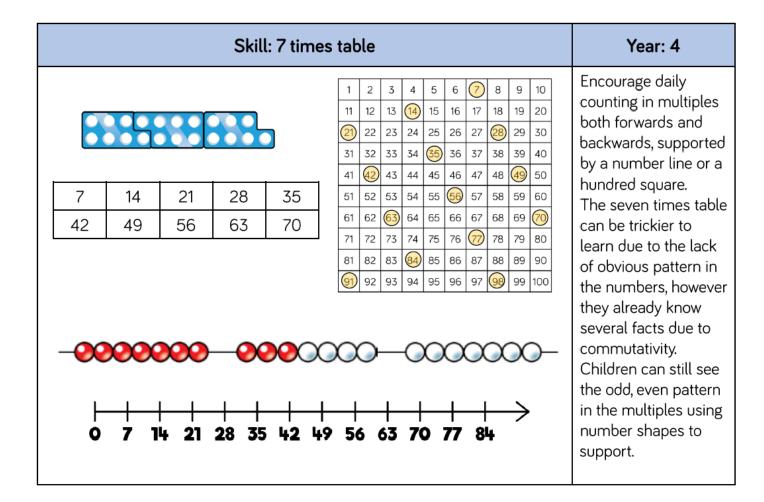


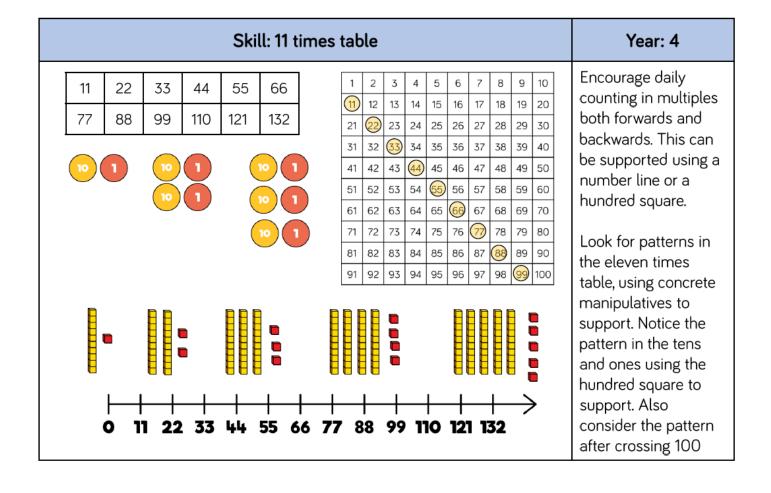


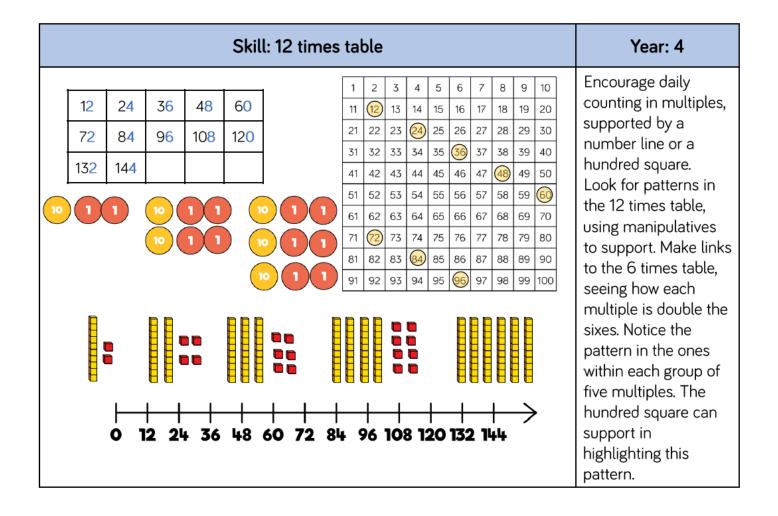




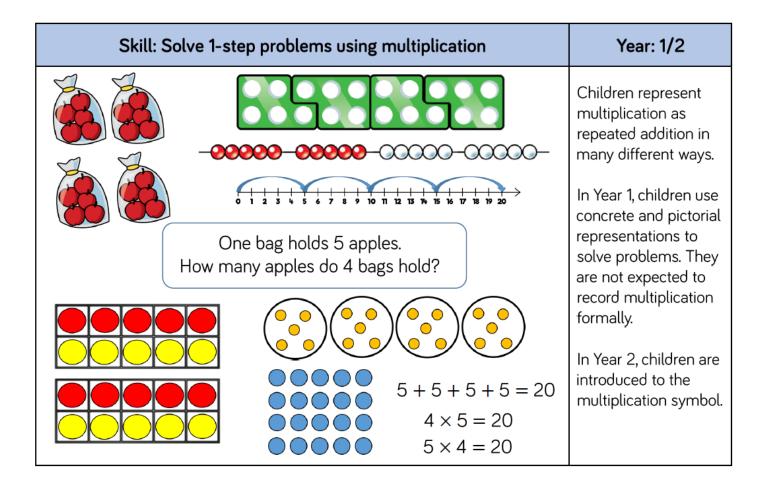


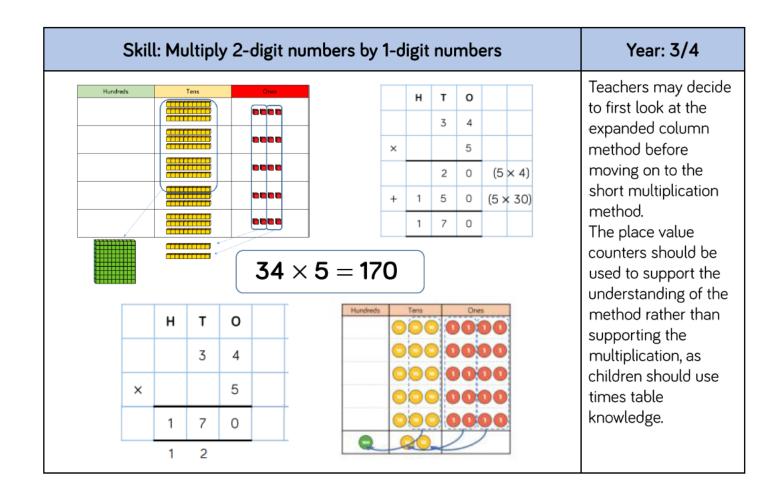


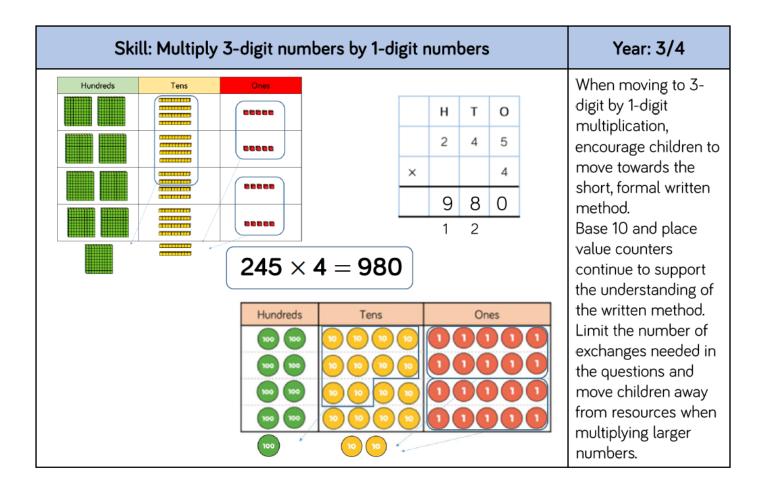


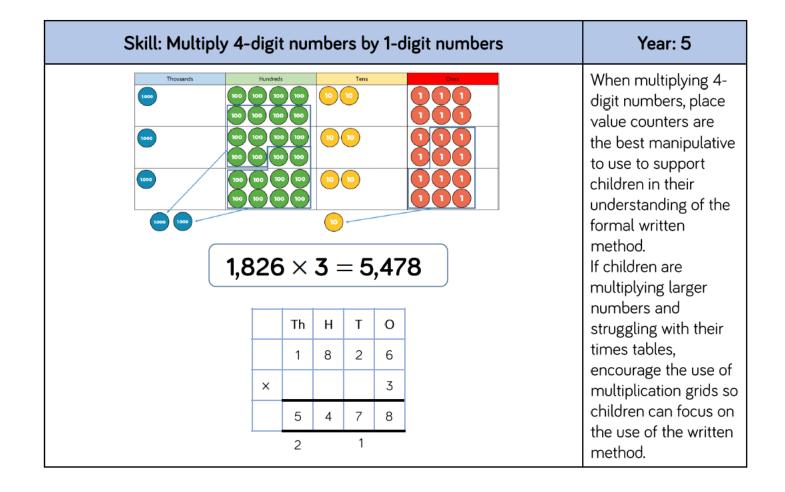


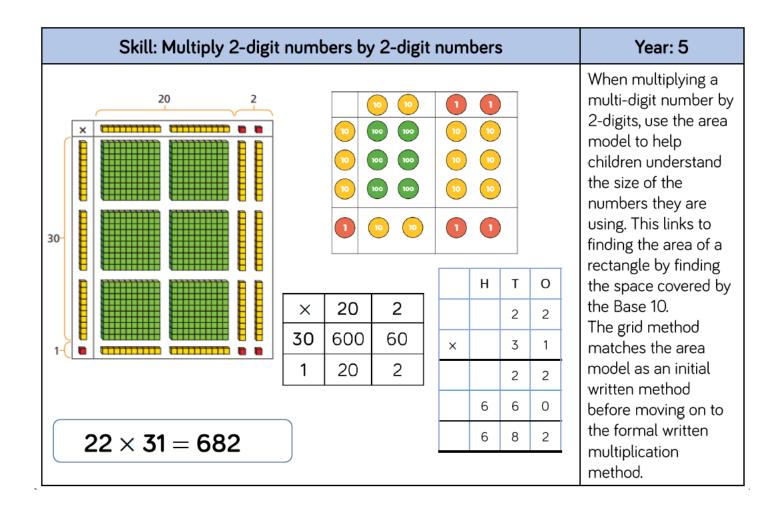
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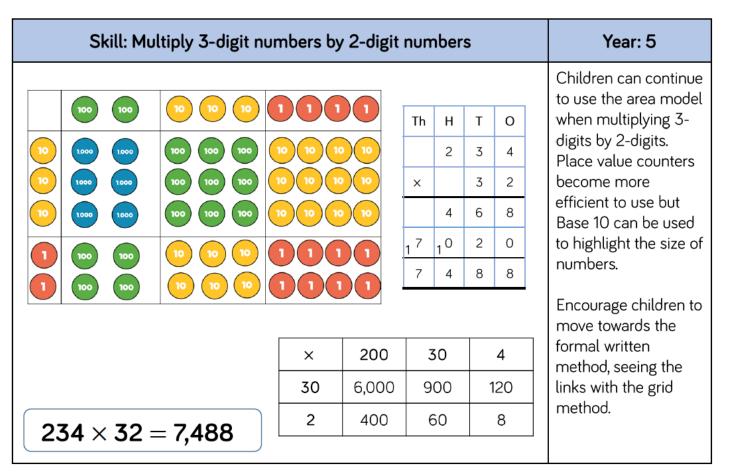






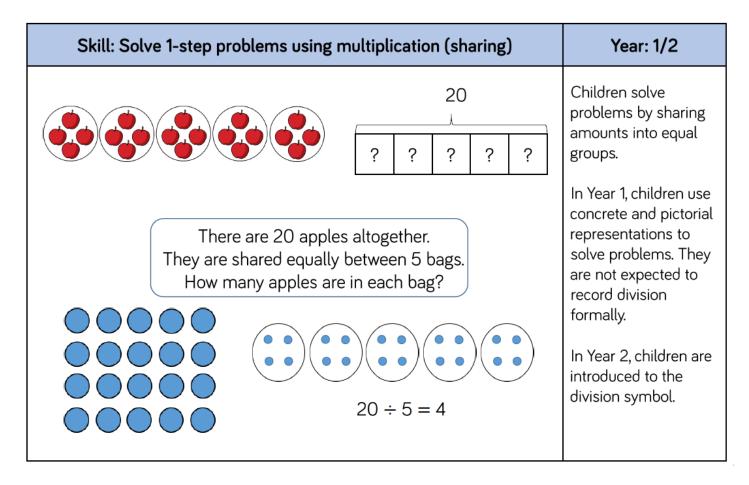


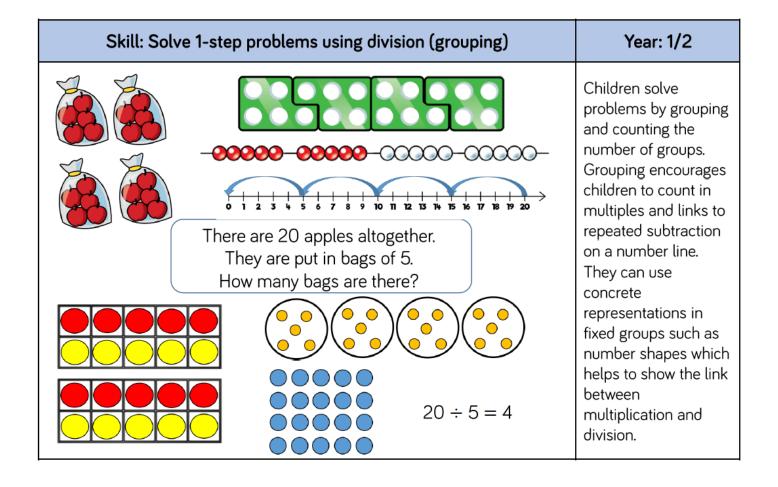


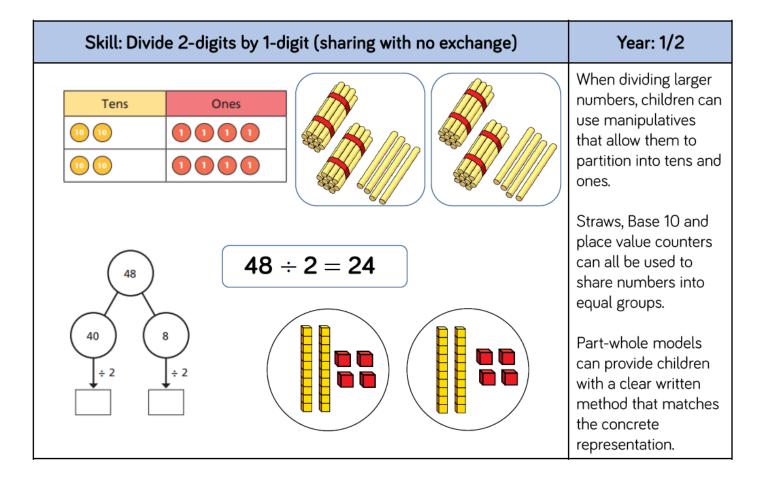


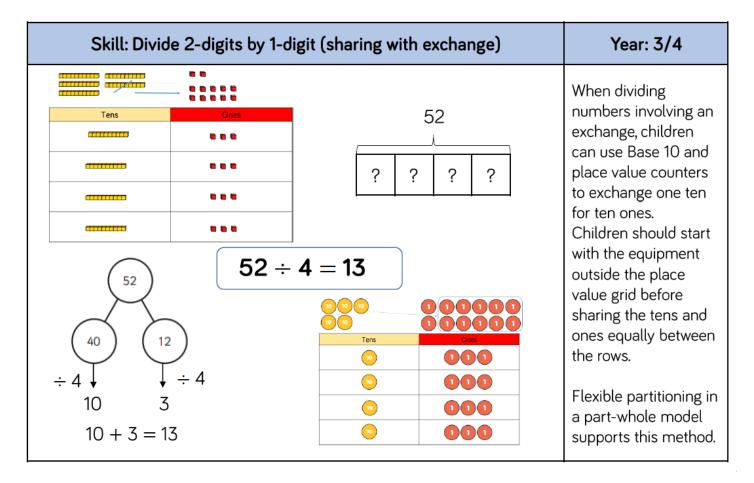
Skill: Multiply	Year: 5/6						
	TTh	Th	Н	Т	0		When multiplying 4- digits by 2-digits, children should be
		2	7	3	9		confident in the written method.
	×			2	8		If they are still struggling with times
	2	1	9	1 7	2		tables, provide multiplication grids to support when they
	5 1	4	7	8	0		are focusing on the use of the method. Consider where
	7	6	6	9	2		
2,739 × 28 =	76,6	92	1				exchanged digits are placed and make sure this is consistent.

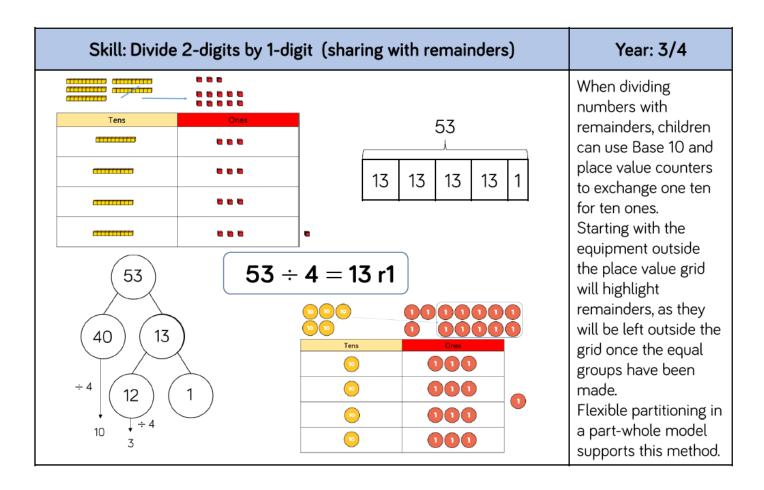
Stages in division

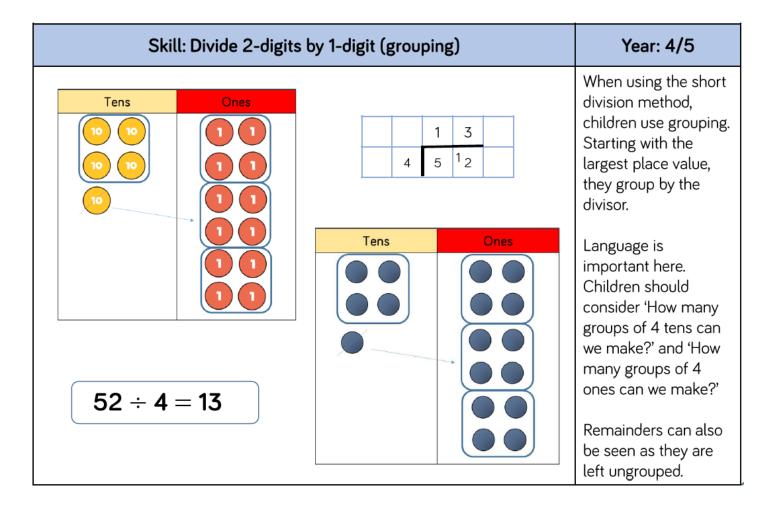


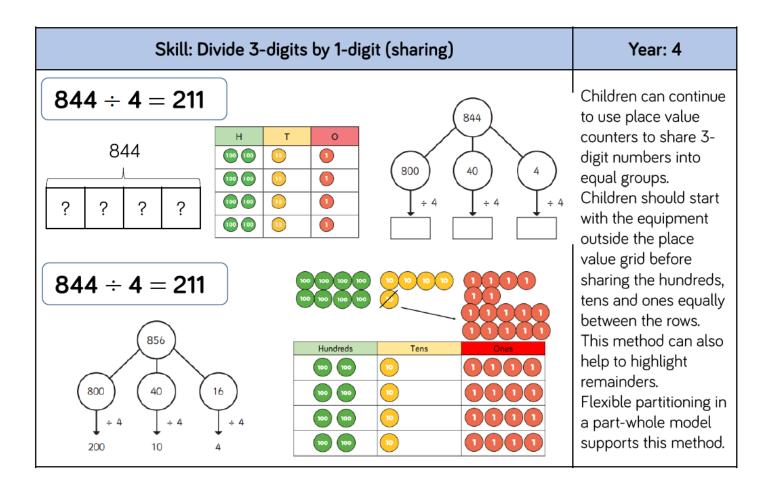


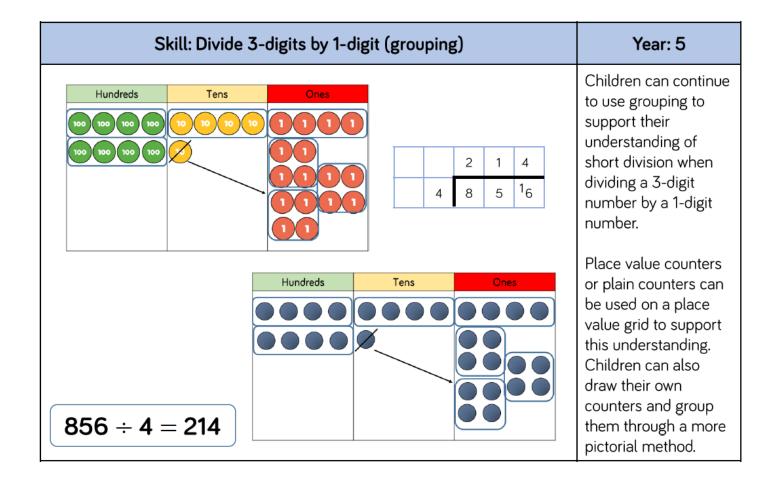


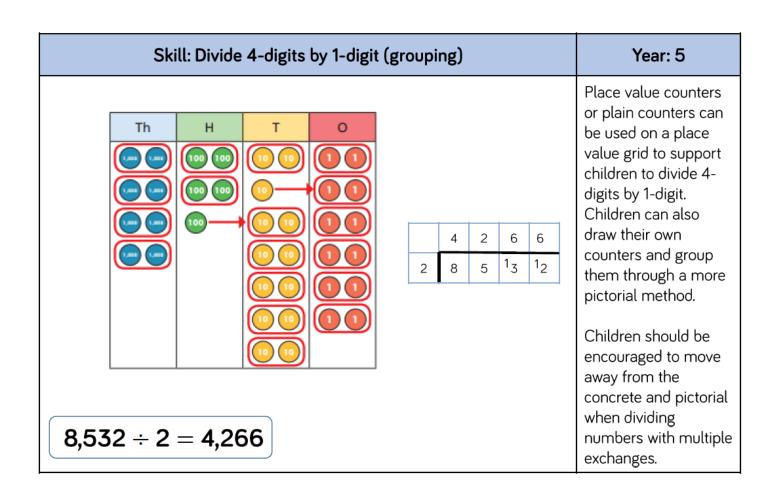


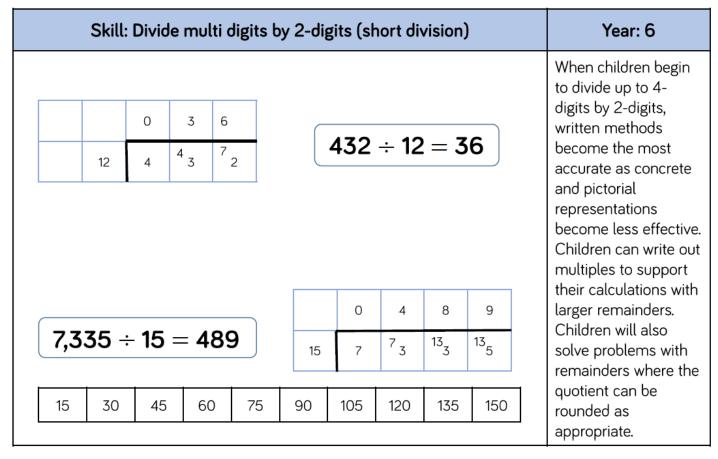




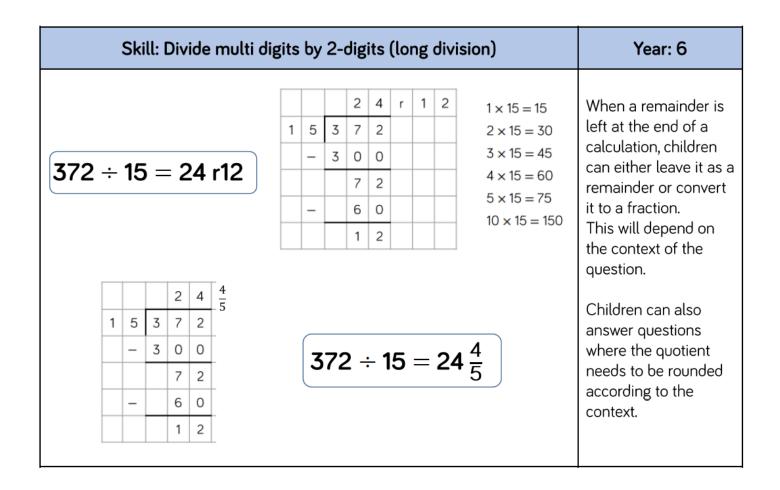








Skill: Divide multi-digits by	Year: 6							
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		0	4	8	9		$1 \times 15 = 15$	
	15	7	3	3	5	$2 \times 15 = 30$ $3 \times 15 = 45$ $(\times 80)$ $4 \times 15 = 60$		Children will also
	_	6	0	0	0		solve problems with	
$7,335 \div 15 = 489$		1	3	3	5			remainders where the quotient can be
.,555 .5 .55	_	1	2	0	О			
			1	3	5		$5 \times 15 = 75$	rounded as
	_		1	3	5	(×9)	$10 \times 15 = 150$	appropriate.
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Glossary

Addend - A number to be added to another.

Aggregation - combining two or more quantities or measures to find a total.

Augmentation - increasing a quantity or measure by another quantity.

Commutative - numbers can be added in any order.

Complement – in addition, a number and its complement make a total e.g. 300 is the complement to 700 to make 1,000

Difference – the numerical difference between two numbers is found by comparing the quantity in each group.

Exchange – Change a number or expression for another of an equal value.

Minuend – A quantity or number from which another is subtracted.

Partitioning – Splitting a number into its component parts.

Reduction - Subtraction as take away.

Subitise – Instantly recognise the number of objects in a small group without needing to count.

Subtrahend - A number to be subtracted from another.

Sum - The result of an addition.

Total - The aggregate or the sum found by addition.

Array – An ordered collection of counters, cubes or other item in rows and columns.

Commutative – Numbers can be multiplied in any order.

Dividend – In division, the number that is divided.

Divisor – In division, the number by which another is divided.

Exchange – Change a number or expression for another of an equal value.

Factor – A number that multiplies with another to make a product.

Multiplicand – In multiplication, a number to be multiplied by another.

Partitioning – Splitting a number into its component parts.

Product – The result of multiplying one number by another.

Quotient - The result of a division

Remainder – The amount left over after a division when the divisor is not a factor of the dividend.

Scaling – Enlarging or reducing a number by a given amount, called the scale factor