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### Introduction

The maths work your child is doing at school initially starts with practical applications to develop a good basis of mental maths skills these skills are learnt through, actions, songs, repetition and the use of equipment. At Two Rivers School we ensure that these skills are learnt and developed on a daily basis in real life and practical situations.

This booklet is designed to inform you about the progression in calculation methods that we use at Two Rivers Primary for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Later when children are taught more formal written methods they are encouraged to use these methods for calculations they cannot solve in their heads. We use Numicon to support our access and learning across the whole school.

Written methods of calculations are based on mental strategies. Each of the four operations builds on mental skills which provide the foundation for jottings and informal written methods of recording. Skills need to be taught, practised and reviewed constantly. These skills lead on to more formal written methods of calculation when the children are ready for them. For many children this will be in the later years of primary school or into secondary school.

Strategies for calculation need to be supported by familiar models and images to reinforce understanding. When teaching a new strategy it is important to start with numbers that the child can easily manipulate so that they can understand the concept.

The transition between stages should not be hurried as not all children will be ready to move on to the next stage at the same time, therefore the progression in this document is outlined in stages. Previous stages may need to be revisited to consolidate understanding when introducing a new strategy.

A sound understanding of the number system is essential for children to carry out calculations efficiently and accurately.

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By the end of year 6, children will have a range of calculation methods, mental and written. Selection will depend upon the numbers involved. Discussing the efficiency and suitability of different strategies is important.

Remember that the expanded methods are perfectly good ways of working out an answer if the children feel more comfortable and therefore find it easier. They give the same answer and it can often be quicker if they are confident about what they are doing.

These methods are very useful when children are extending their work, for example to numbers involving decimals.

Children should not be made to go onto the next stage if:

- they are not ready.
- they are not confident.



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## Mental calculation

Developing confidence and efficiency in mental calculations is a vital part of Maths teaching throughout Key Stage 2.

Regular practice of number facts is important both at school and at home. Any opportunities to practise are very useful, for example through **real life situations** such as shopping as well as activities such as games.

The children would greatly benefit from knowing key number facts by heart and recalling them instantly (e.g. number bonds to 10, tables).

There are many useful games on the internet which give children chance to practise number facts and mental calculations.

For example, Hit the Button is good for practising number bonds and tables facts.

Children can access Education City at home which has a selection of basic number facts games to explore.

## Multiplication Facts

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Remember that truly **knowing** tables is not the same as just being able to count up in steps of a given number or being able to recite the table.

Really knowing a table means that the children can instantly tell you any fact up to 10x. It also means knowing the corresponding division facts.

For example, a child who knows the 3x table well would be able to answer questions like these with very little hesitation:

9x3, 7 lots of 3, 3x4, 18÷3, how many 3s in 24?

As the children get more confident they should also have strategies for using known facts to help them work out other facts and also to work with larger numbers or decimals.

e.g. I know 5x3 is 15, so I can work out 50x3, 5x30, 150 ÷5, 500x3, 50x30, 5x0.3, 150 ÷30...

A suggested order for learning tables:

2x, 10x, 5x, 4x (double 2x), 3x, 6x (double 3x), 9x, 8x, 7x

At Two Rivers this becomes part of our 20:20 sessions.

Just a few minutes a day could make a real difference to your child's confidence with number.



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## ICT links

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### Other useful sites include:

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<u>www.topmarks.co.uk</u> select Games, 7-11 then category e.g. addition and subtraction

<u>www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks2bitesize/maths</u> (particularly useful for Y6)

<u>www.ictgames.com</u> (select numeracy - designed for infants but some useful games to practise basic number facts)

mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/category/22/most-popular

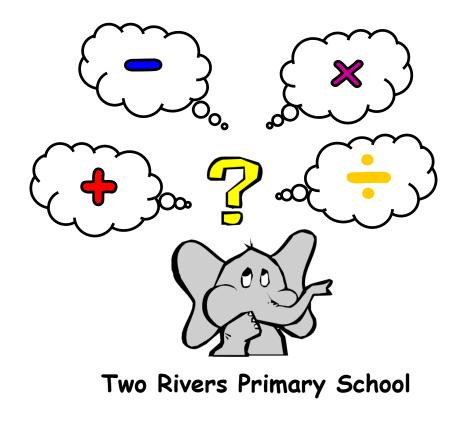
Numberblocks - CBeebies – BBC

## Progression in Calculations

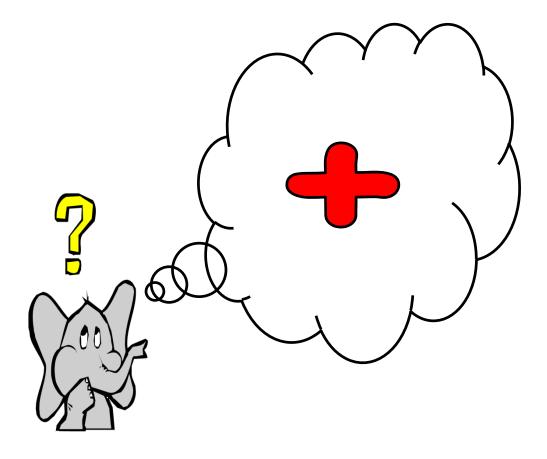
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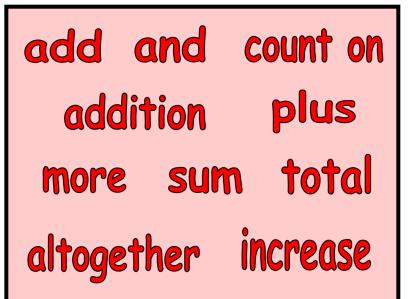
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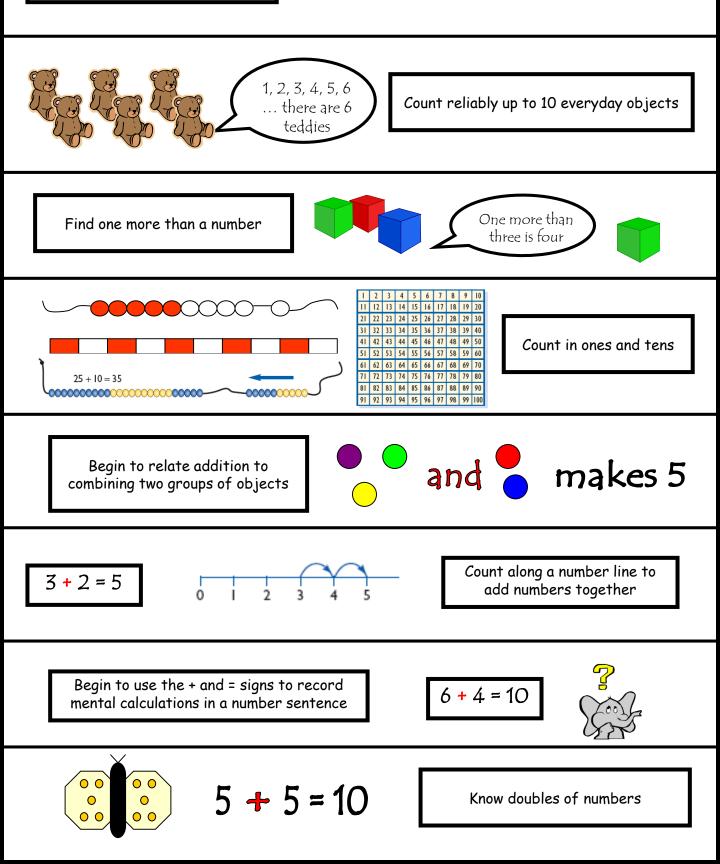


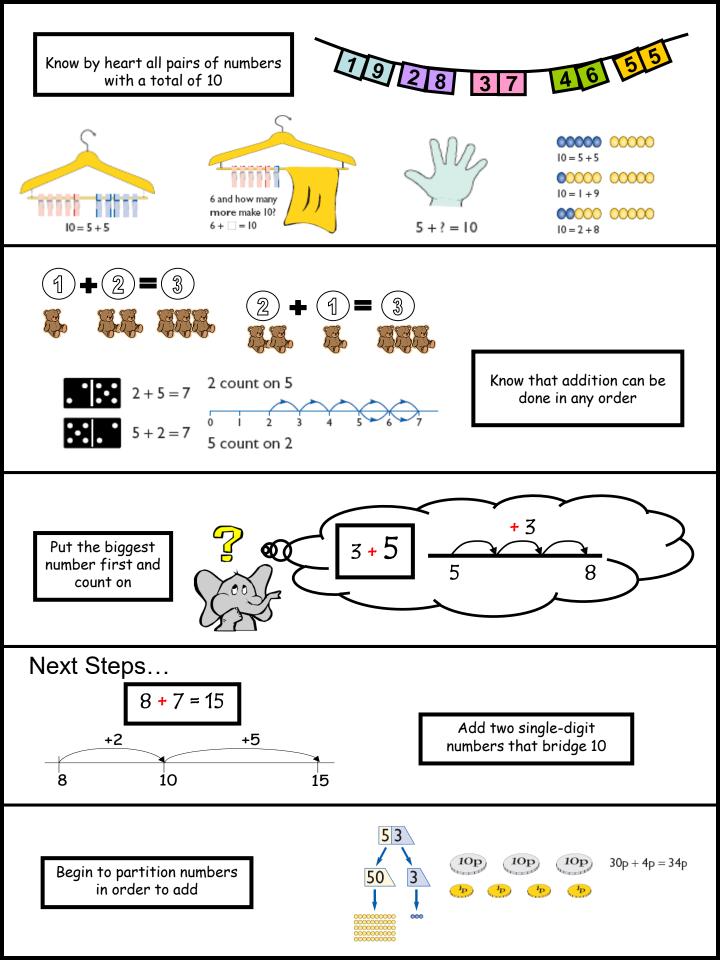
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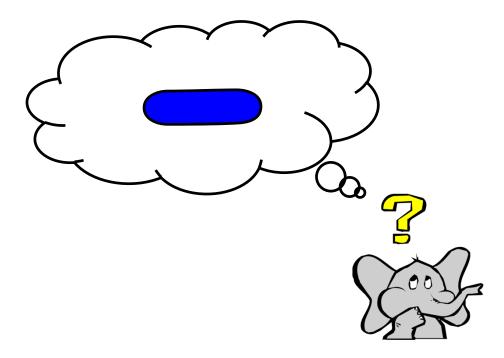


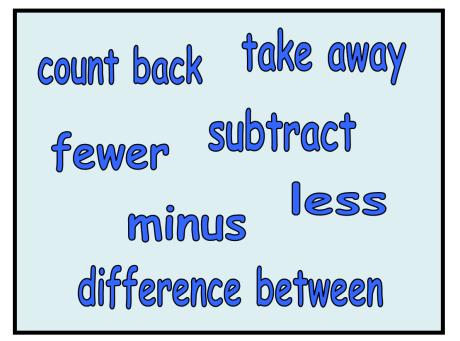
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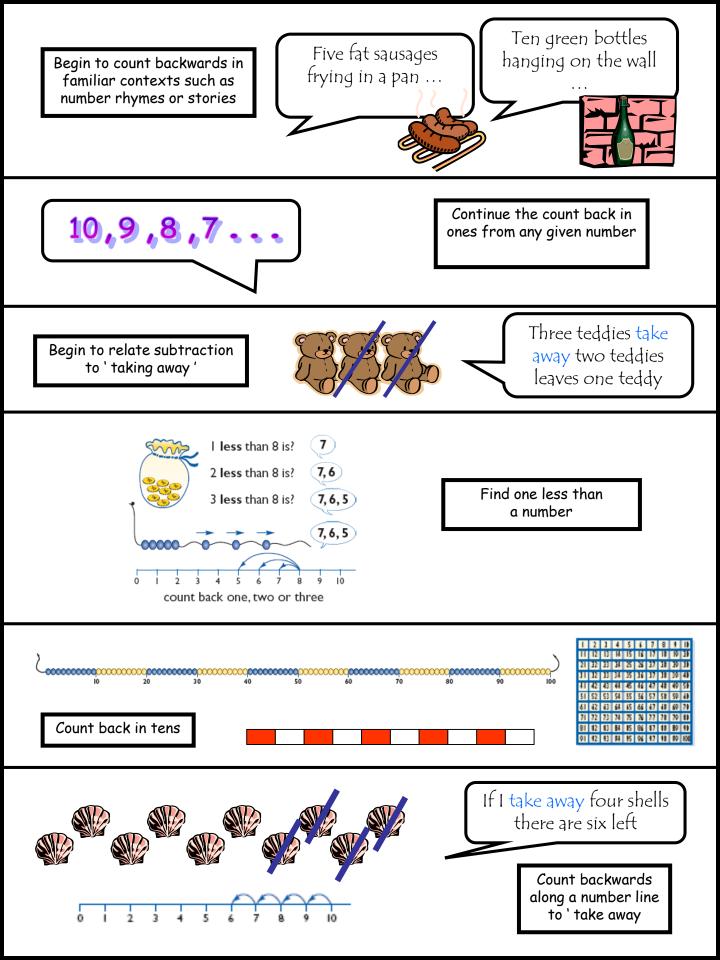


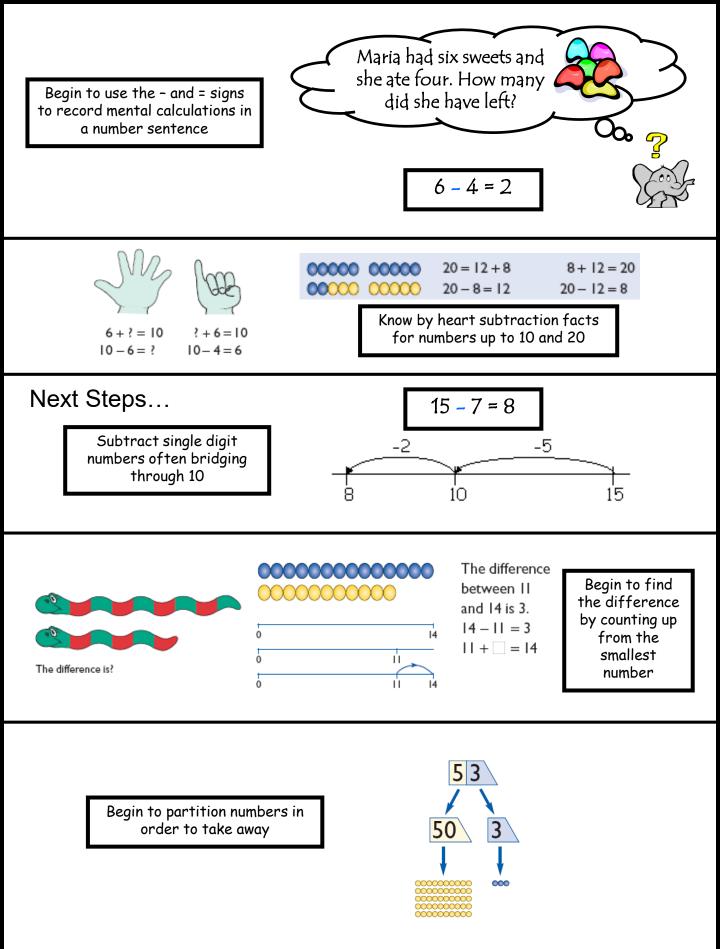


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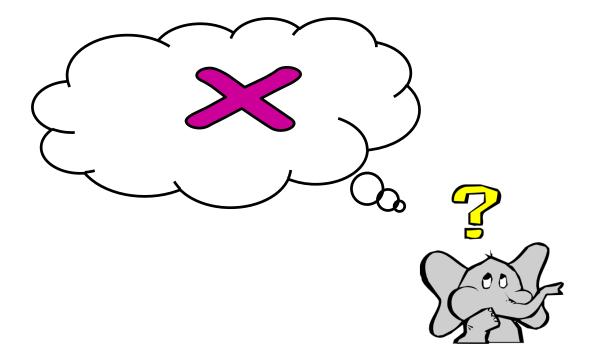




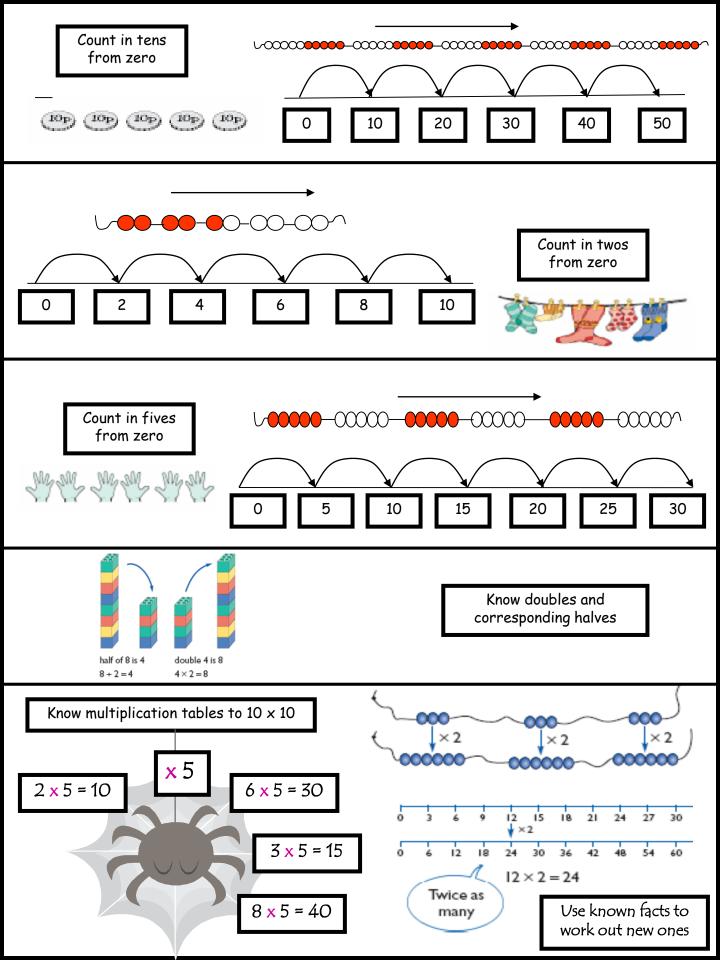




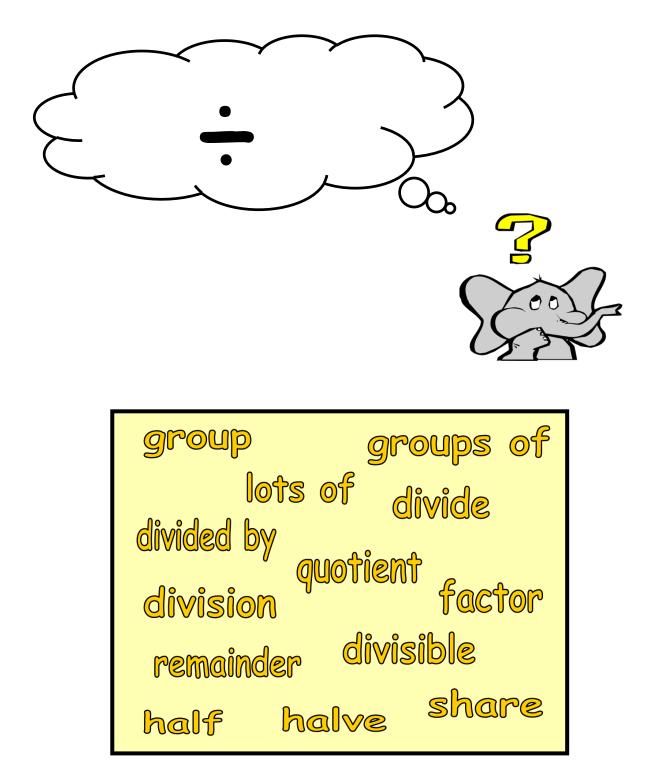
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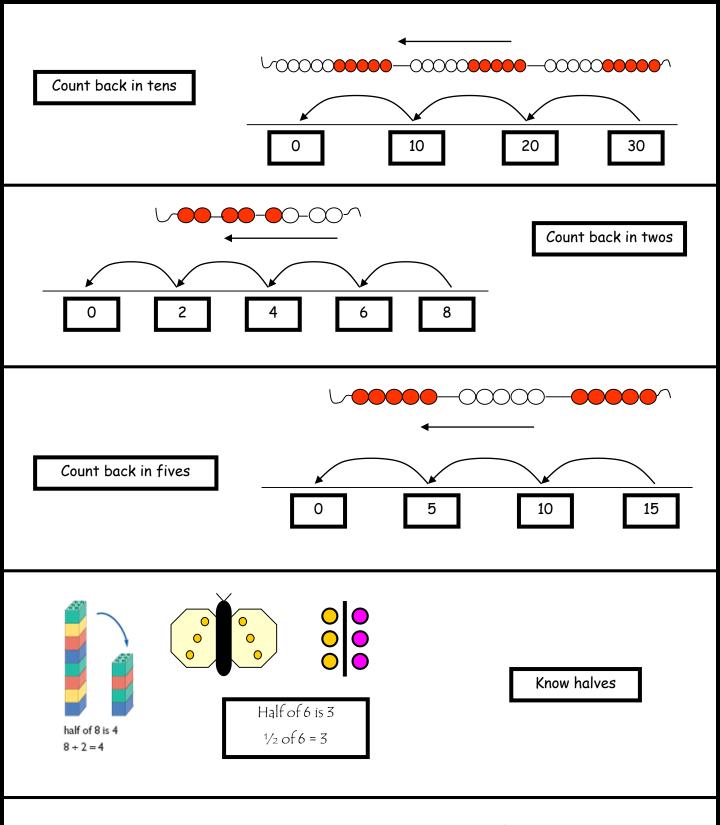


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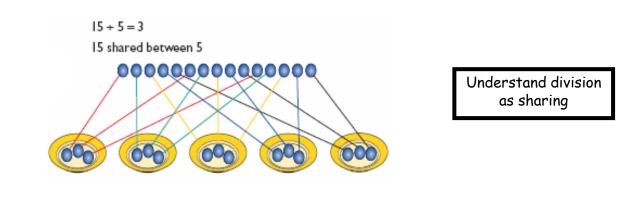
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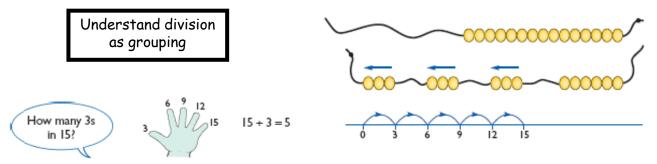


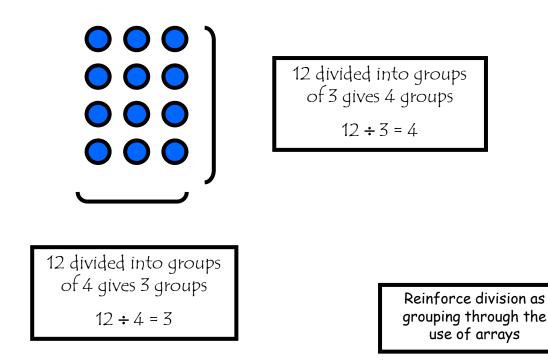
Use known multiplication facts to work out corresponding division facts

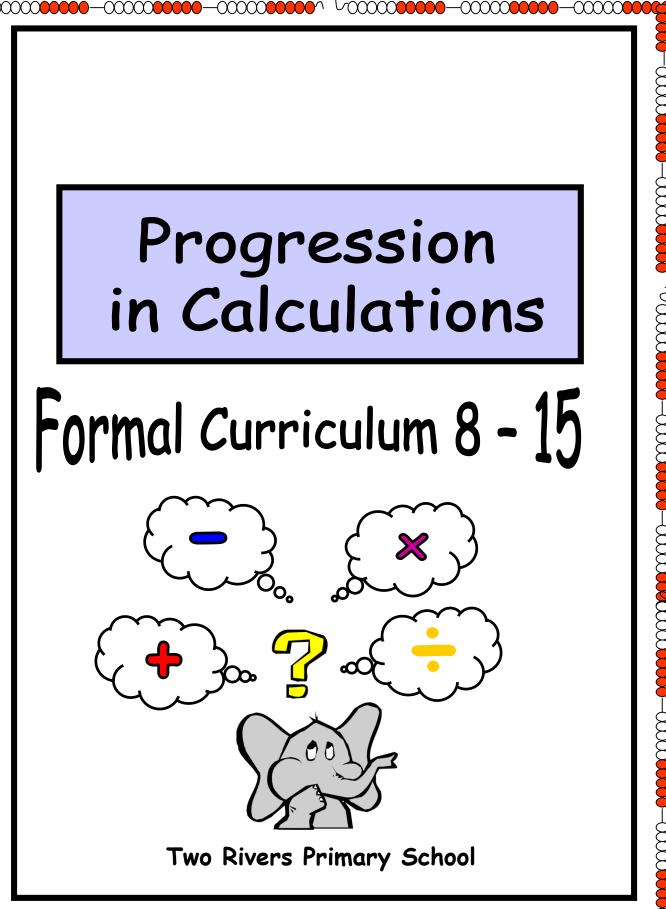
If 2 x 10 = 20 then 20 ÷ 10 = 2 20 ÷ 2 = 10

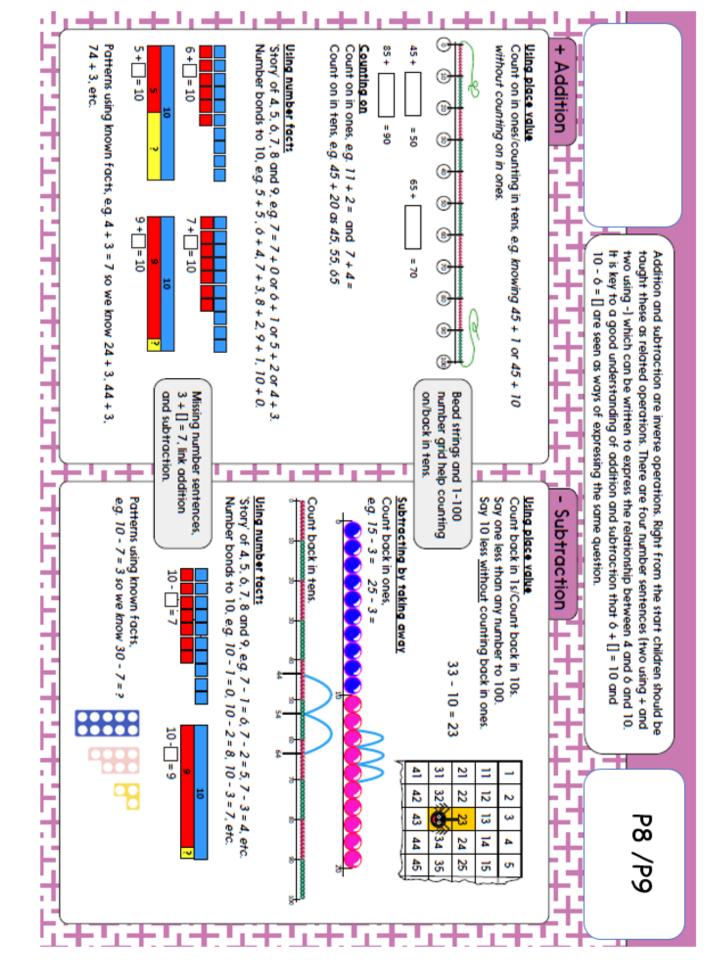


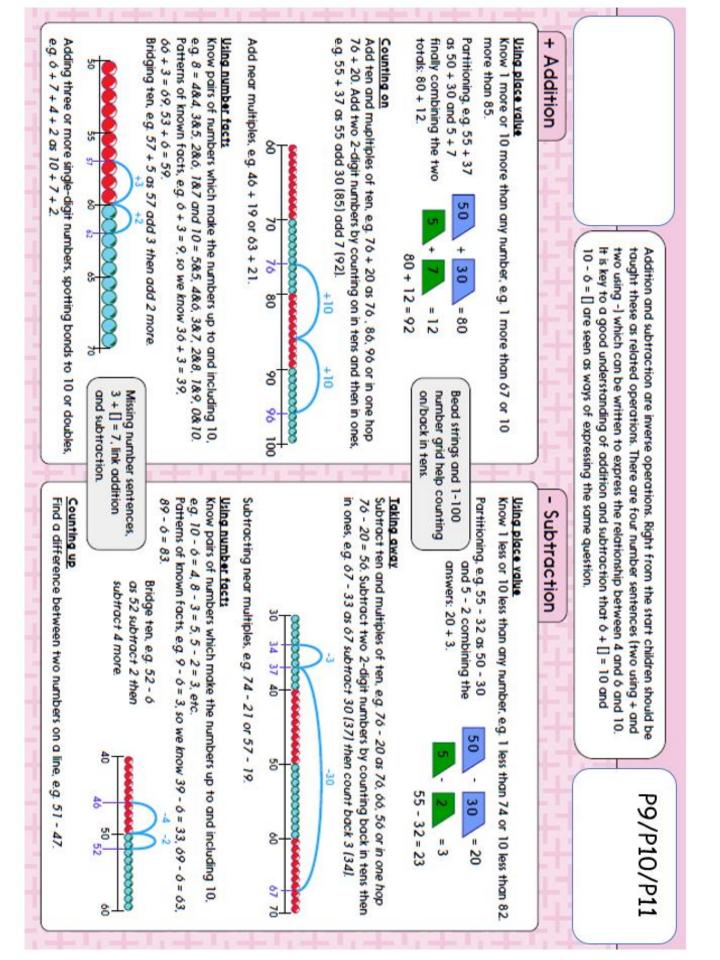
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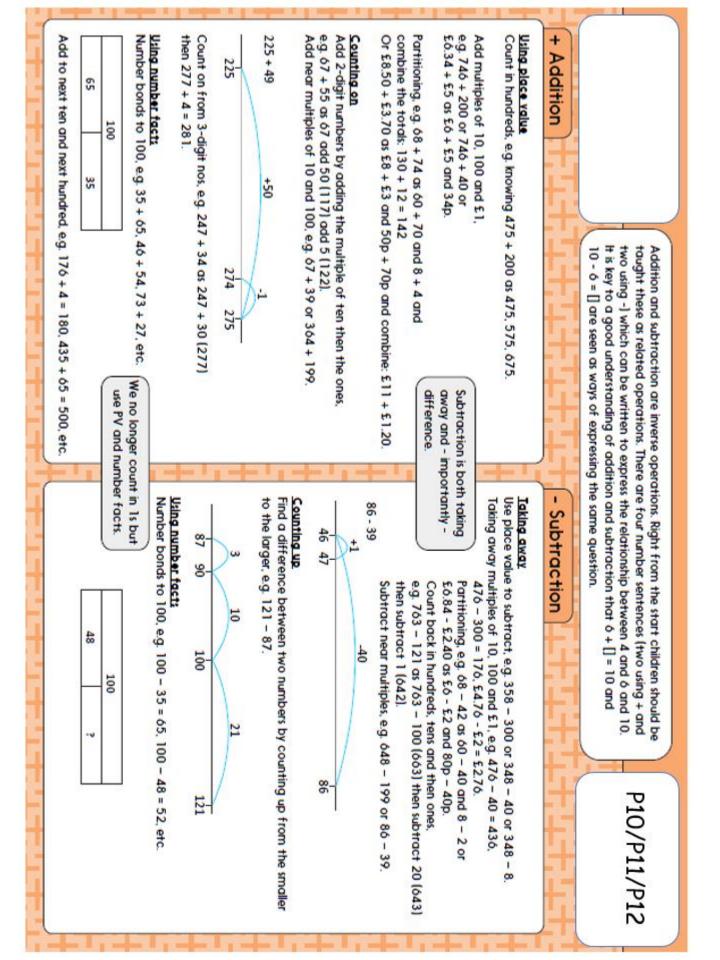


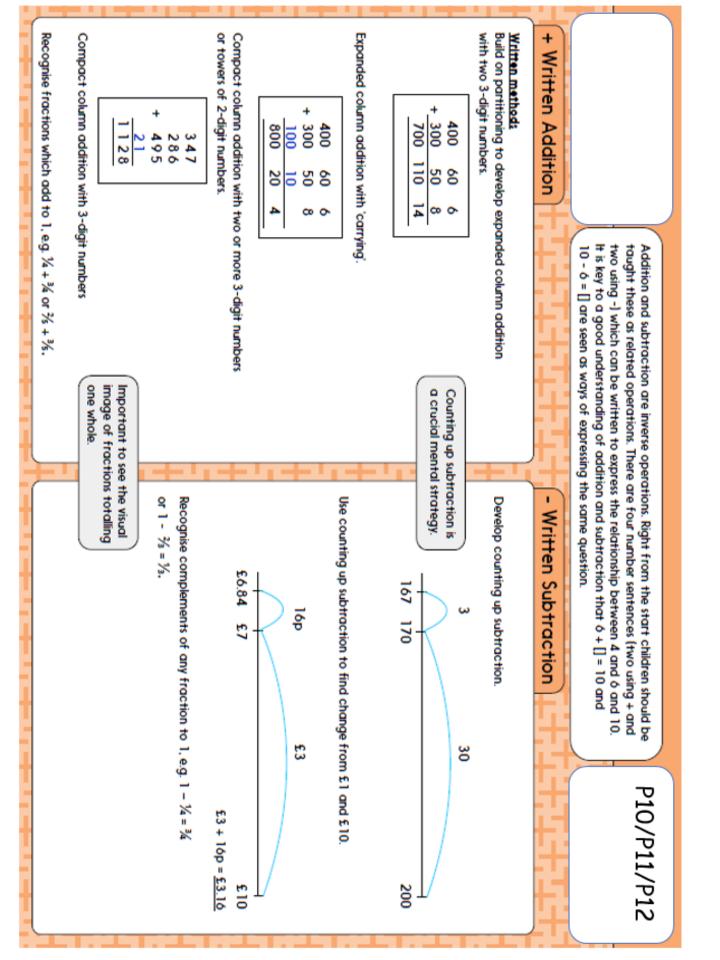




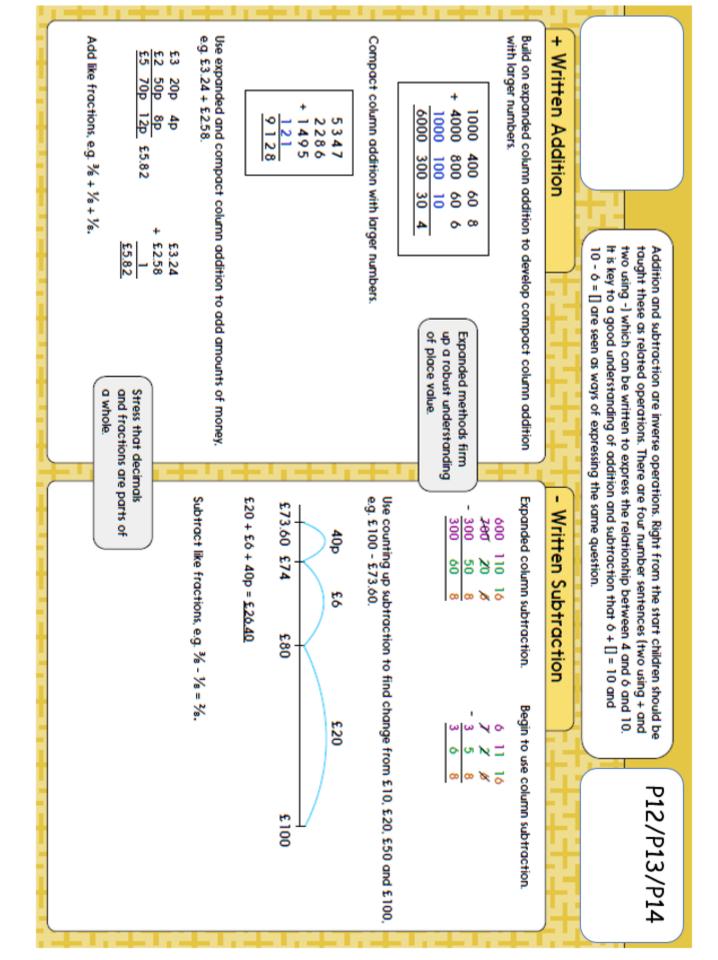


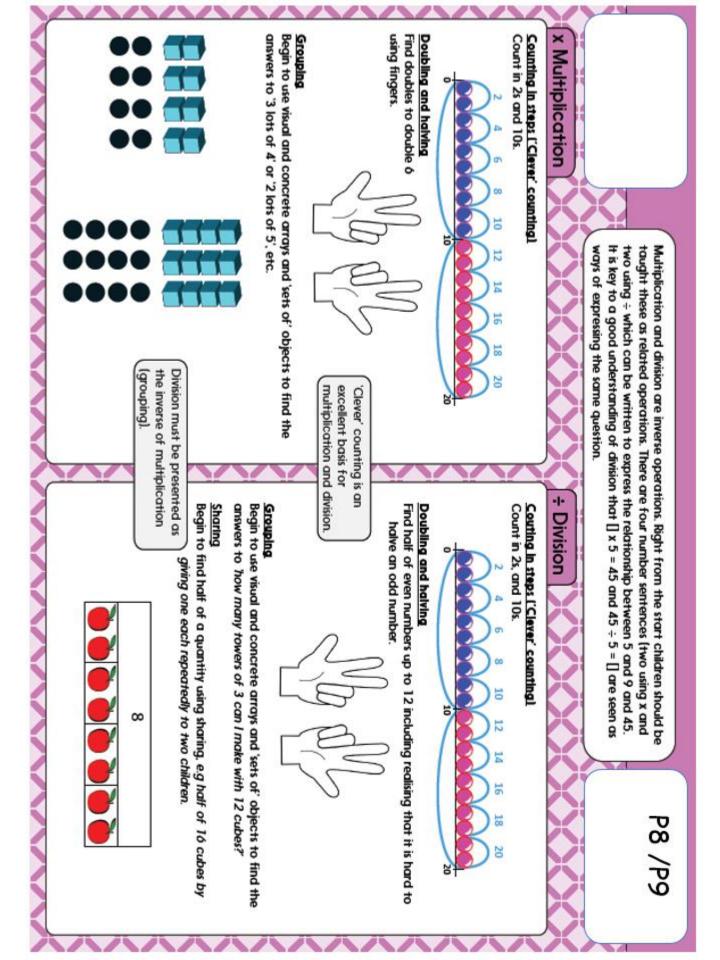


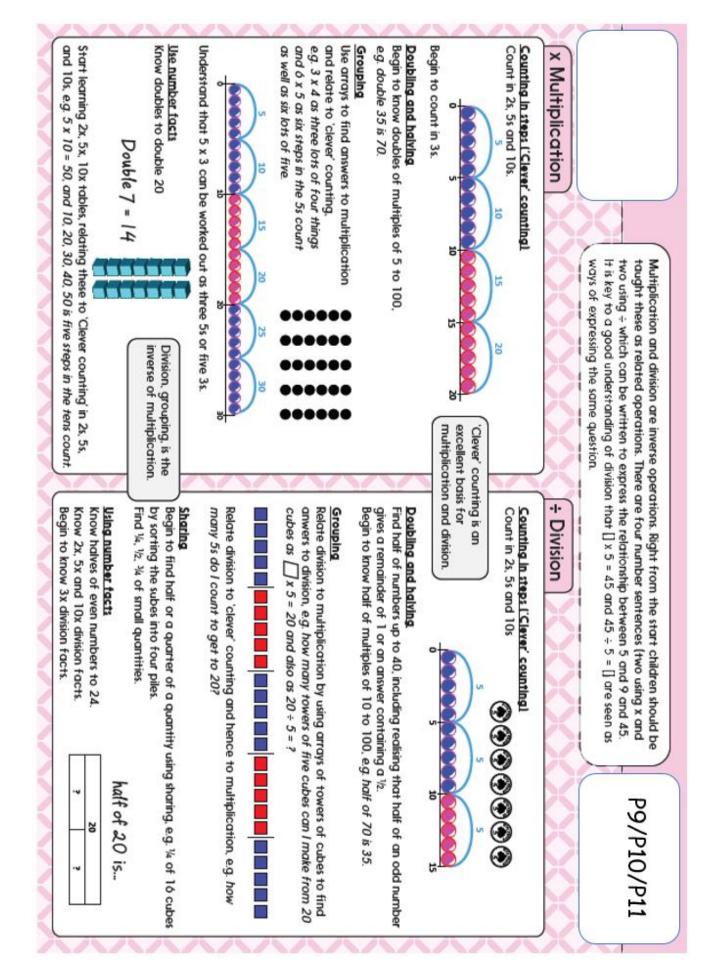


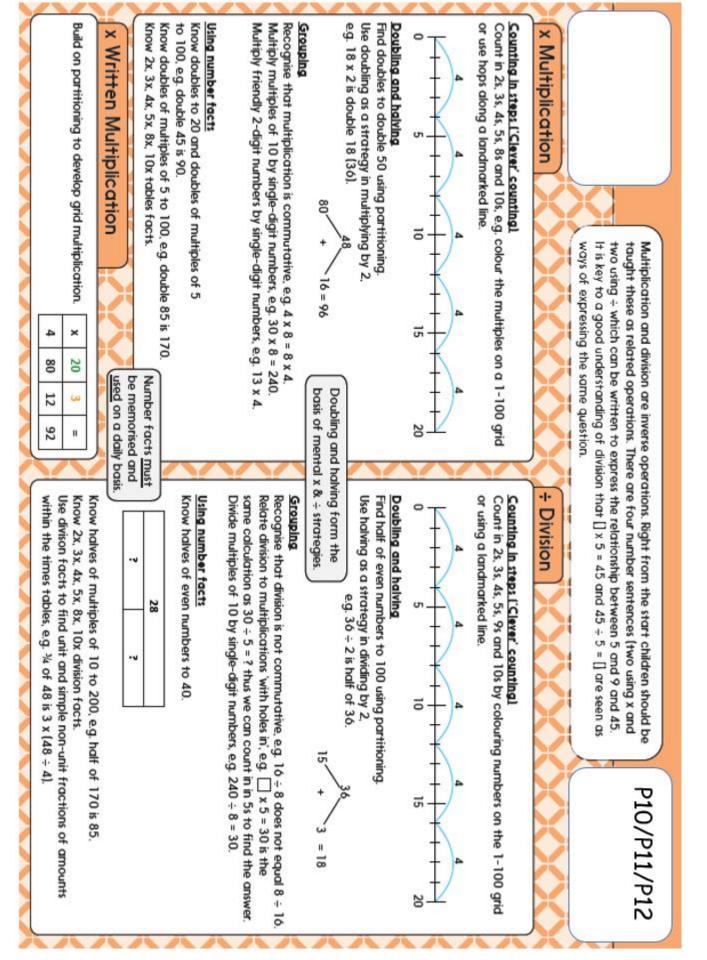


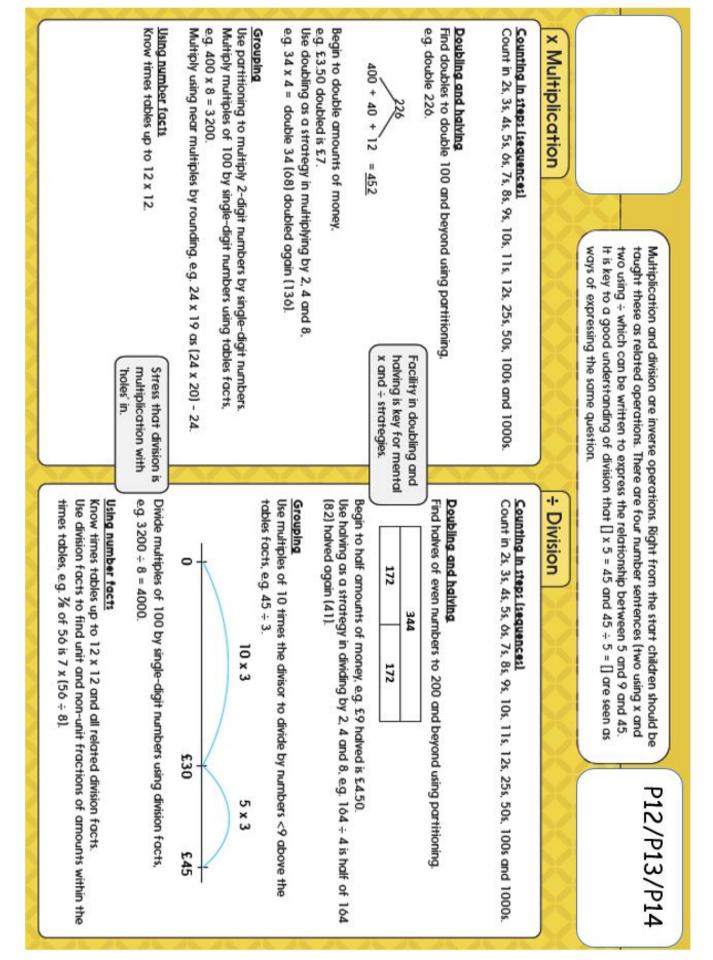
	Number bonds to £1 and to the next whole pound, e.g. £3.45 + 55p. Add to the next whole number, e.g. 4.6 + 0.4 or 7.2 + 0.8.	Using number facts Number bonds to 100 and to next multiple of 100, e.g. 463 + 37, 1353 + 47.	467 666 667 Count on to add 3-digit numbers and money, e.g. 463 + 124 as 463 + 100 (563) + 20 (583) + 4 = 587 or £4.67 + £5.30 as £9.67 add 30p.	the ones, e.g. 67 + 55 as 67 add 50 (1117) add 5 (122). Add near multiples of 10, 100 and 1000, e.g. 467 + 199 or 3462 + 2999. +200 -1	PV and number facts are central to mental strategies Add 2-diait numbers by adding the multiple of ten then	Using place value Count in thousands, e.g. knowing 475 + 200 as 475, 575, 675. Partitioning, e.g. 746 + 203 as 700 + 200 and 46 + 3 or 134 + 707 as 130 + 700 and 4 + 7.	+ Addition	Addition and subtraction are inverse operations. Right from taught these as related operations. There are four number s two using -) which can be written to express the relationship It is key to a good understanding of addition and subtraction 10 - $\delta = []$ are seen as ways of expressing the same question.
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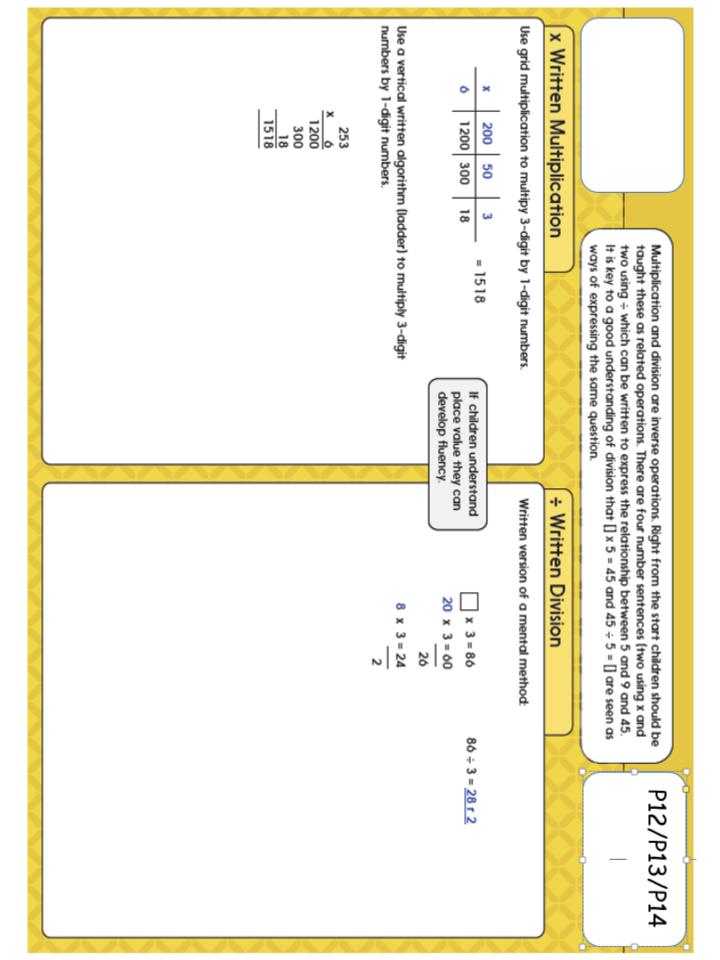












When faced with a calculation problem, encourage children to ask...

\*Can I do this in my head?

\*Could I do this in my head using drawings or jottings to help me?

\*Do I need to use a written method?

\* Should I use a calculator? (only if is necessary with the numbers involved)



Also help children to estimate and then check the answer.

Encourage them to ask...

Is the answer sensible?