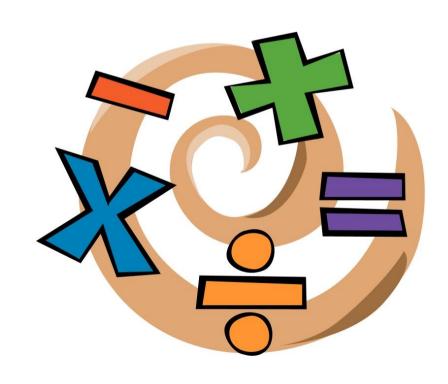
Progression in Subtraction Methods



Yr Grp	Progression	What it Looks like	Further Guidance
Yr 1	Number lines and practical resources to support counting on in ones:	Using bead strings, number line and number tracks to count back in 1s. -1 -1 -1 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	Children to understand that it means difference.
Yr 2	Children count back on a number line - first counting back in tens and 1s.	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 47 - 23 = 24 -1 -1 -1 -10 -10 24 25 26 27 37 47	
	Then helping children to become more efficient by subtracting the units in one jump, and then the tens in one jump.	47 - 23 = 24 -3 -10 -10 -10 -3 -24 27 37 47 -20 -3 -3 -24 27 47	
	Children use partitioning and decomposition to introduce them to expanded written method	89 = 80 9 - 57 50 7 30 + 2 = 32	

Yr3	Children to use expanded written method with carrying, TU - TU.	71	Children should take care to line up units under units, tens under tens, and so on.
	Children to use expanded written method with carrying, HTU - TU and HTU - HTU	Extend to 3 digit numbers: 754 = - 86 Step 1 700 50 4 - 80 6	Subtract the least significant digits first (units, then tens, then hundreds) to allow children to exchange.
		Step 2 700 40 14 (adjust from T to U) - 80 6 Step 3 600 140 14 (adjust from H to T)	
		- <u>80 6</u> 600 + 60 + 8 = 668	

		This would be recorded by the children as 600 700 140 700 14	
		- <u>80 6</u> 600 + 60 + 8 = 668	
Yr4	Children to use formal column method, up to 4 digits.	3181 4292 - <u>1345</u> <u>2947</u>	Children solve missing number problems, using the inverse.
Уг5	Children to use formal column method, using whole numbers more than 4 digits.	5111 84202 - 5141 59061	Using inverse to check calculations
	Children to use formal column method to subtract decimals, including a mixture of whole numbers and decimals and decimals with different number of decimal places.	16 - 5.92 4.34 - 1.5 5 1.91 3 1 16,00 4.34 - 5.92 - 1.50 10.08 2.84	
Yr6	Continue to consolidate Year 5 methods.		

Children should not be made to go onto the next stage if: they are not ready or they are not confident.

Once children have mastered strategies for their appropriate year group, they should not be moved onto the next year group but instead develop breadth of understanding through rich tasks that require application of knowledge and skills.