

Skill 13

How do we use a written method to subtract numbers?

To be able to subtract numbers using the column method.

Steps to success

- Place the numbers you are subtracting on top of each other.
- Make sure each digit is in the correct column according to its place value.
- Subtract the bottom digit from the top digit starting with the smallest unit.
- If the top unit is smaller than the bottom unit you will need to steal 10 from the next digit along.

