

Take another look at the help guide to subtracting fraction from the Thursday before Half Term. Remind yourself how to subtract fractions using bar models and part whole models.

Subtract fractions - Help Guide

Today you will be subtracting fractions with the same denominator (Common Denominator). Just like with addition, the denominator in all the questions will stay the same. Only the numerator will change. When you add fractions, you add the numerators together. When you subtract fractions, you subtract the smaller numerator from the bigger one.

Watch this video clip to learn more about subtracting fractions.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x-6h5ZOKHtg>

Subtraction using a bar model

Let's look at the calculation $\frac{3}{5} - \frac{2}{5}$

When you subtract using a bar model you firstly need to count the total number of parts to find the denominator. This model has 5 parts so the denominator is 5.



You then need to count the shaded parts to find out what number you are subtracting from.

In this case 3 parts are shaded. As a fraction this is $\frac{3}{5}$

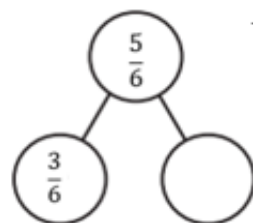
Our calculation asked us to subtract $\frac{2}{5}$ from $\frac{3}{5}$ so our last step is to simply cross off the number of parts we are subtracting to find our answer. Like this



As you can see, we are left with just one shaded part so

$$\frac{3}{5} - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Sometimes we use part whole models to subtract. Let's go through an example together



This part whole model shows $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{3}{6}$

On a bar model it would look like this.



You take the fraction at the top of the part whole model and subtract the fraction in the bottom part of the part whole model. Remember it is only the numerator that changes, not the denominator. The denominator stays the same.

So the missing part of the part whole model is $\frac{2}{6}$

Hopefully you are now ready to start having a go yourself. Complete all the questions on the next page.

Once again bars have been added alongside some of the questions to help you answer the subtraction calculations

Subtract 2 fractions

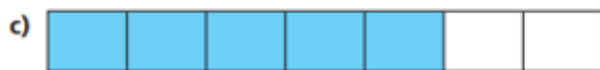
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$$\frac{7}{9} - \frac{4}{9} = \boxed{}$$

For this last question you can see there are 9 squares in total in the bar model – this represents the **denominator** (bottom fraction number) You need to firstly colour in 7 to represent the **numerator** in the first fraction (top fraction number) $\frac{7}{9}$ then cross off 4 to represent the **numerator** in the second fraction $\frac{4}{9}$

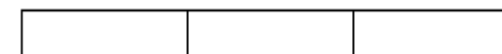
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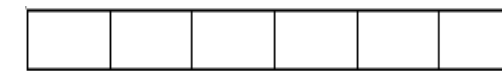
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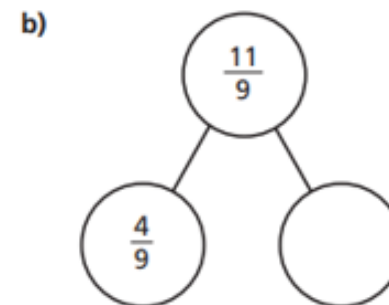
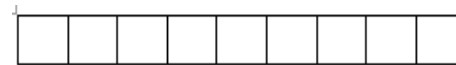
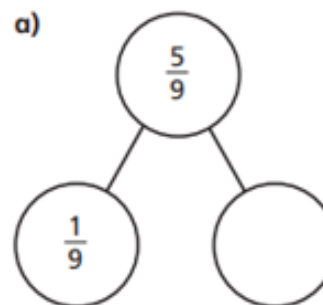


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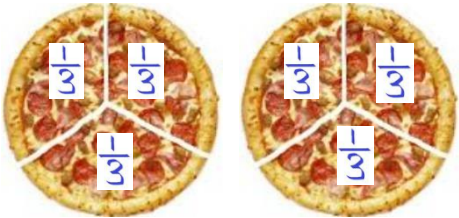
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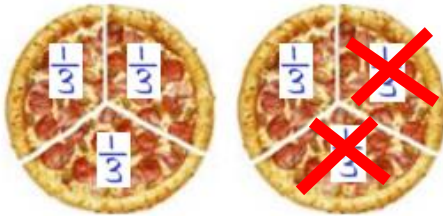
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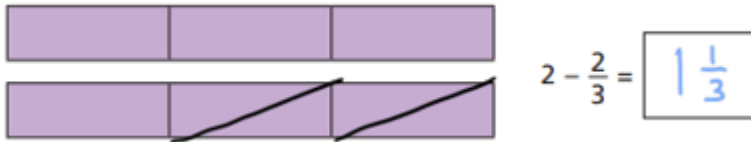
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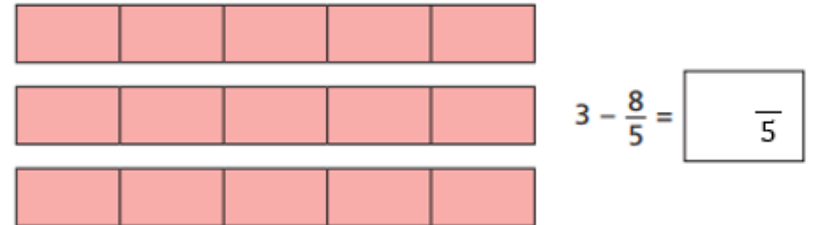
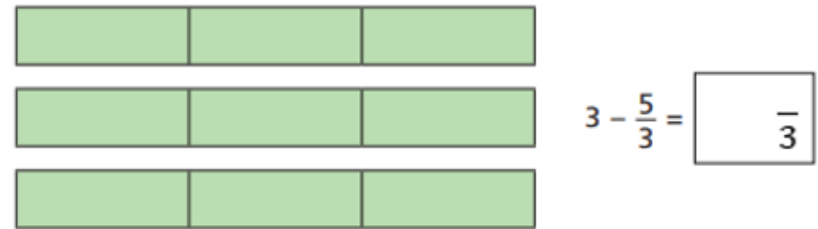
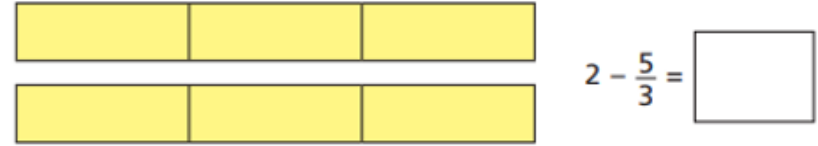
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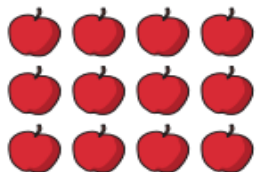
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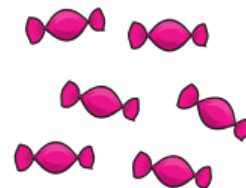
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a) $\frac{1}{2}$ of 8 =

This is how many counters in total

This is how many counters in each part.



b) $\frac{1}{2}$ of 16 =

c) $\frac{1}{4}$ of 8 =

d) $\frac{1}{4}$ of 16 =

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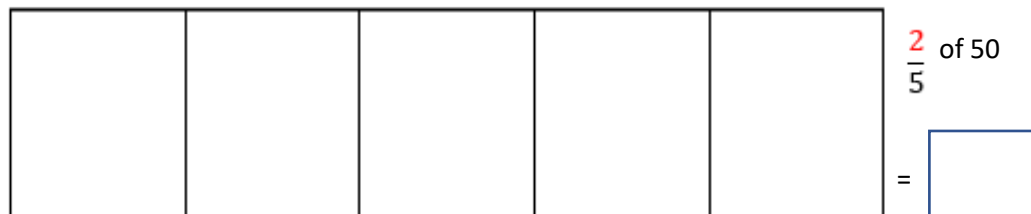


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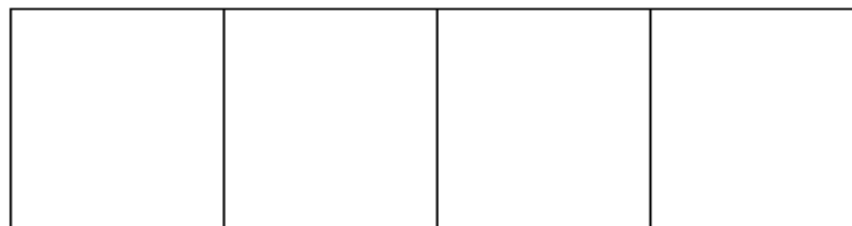
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a)



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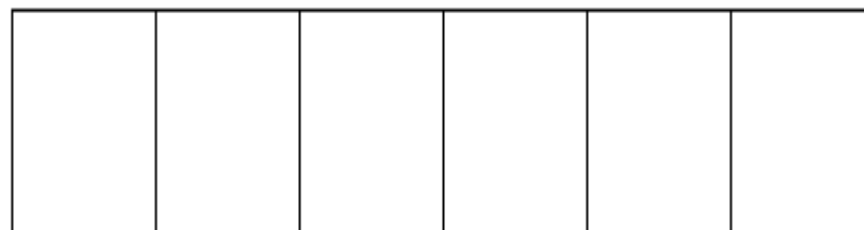


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- Collect place value counters to the value of 39.
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d) Find $\frac{4}{6}$ of 66 =



Fractions of a quantity



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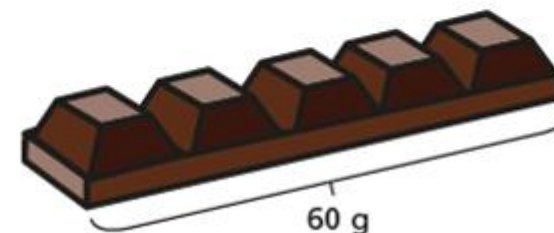
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3 Challenge – Can you match the calculation to the answer. You will need to use a grid and place value counters to help you.

$\frac{2}{3}$ of 18

$\frac{5}{6}$ of 18

$\frac{4}{5}$ of 20

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Cut out the place value counters then use the enlarged grids below to help you answer the questions from day 4 and 5 above

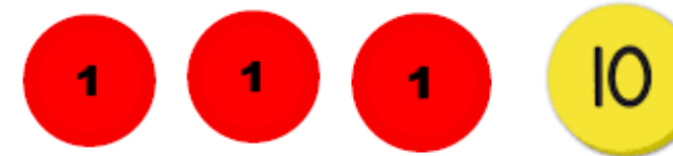
Once you have worked out the answers using the grids below, draw the place value counters onto your learning sheet for the day.

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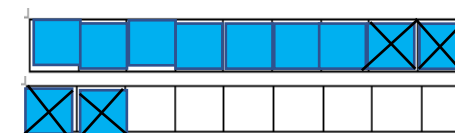
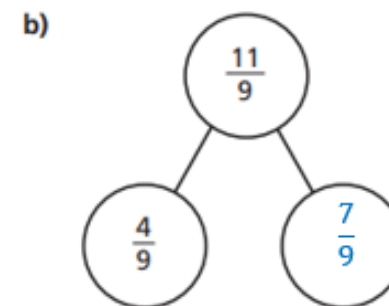
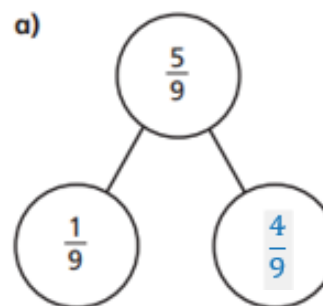


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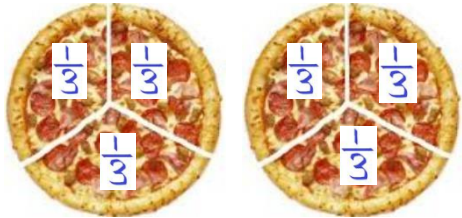
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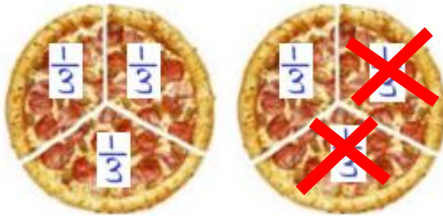
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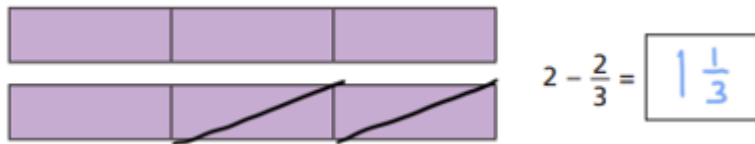
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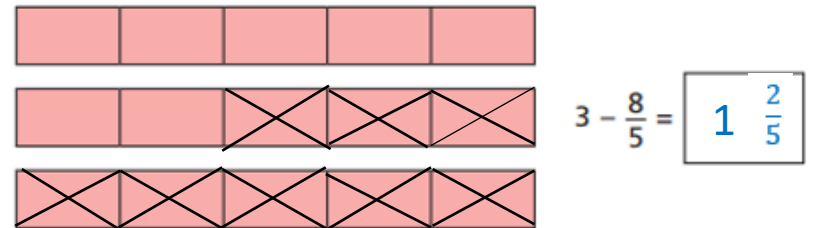
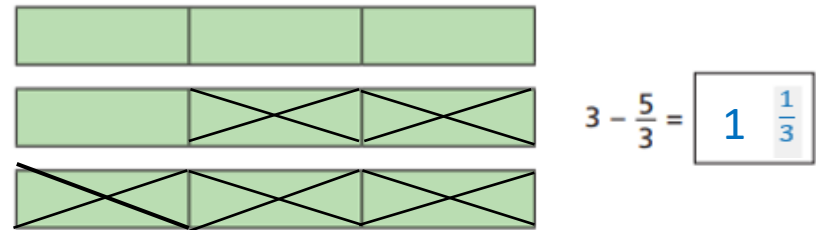
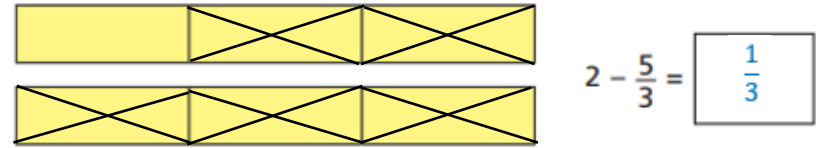
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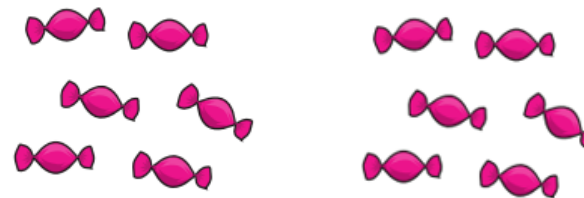
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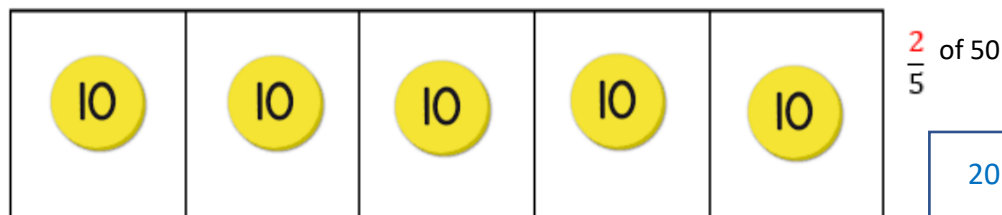


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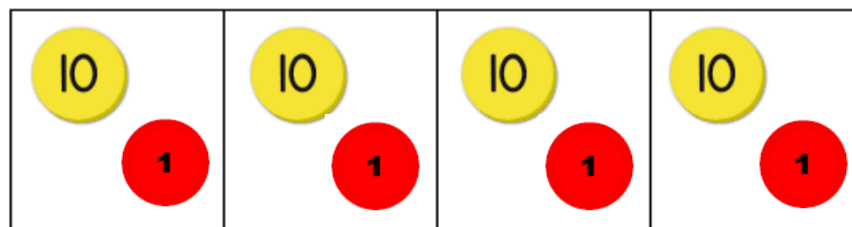
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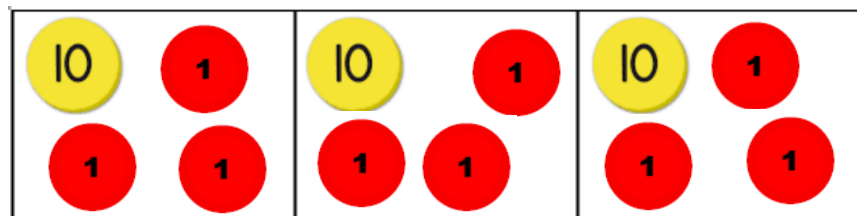
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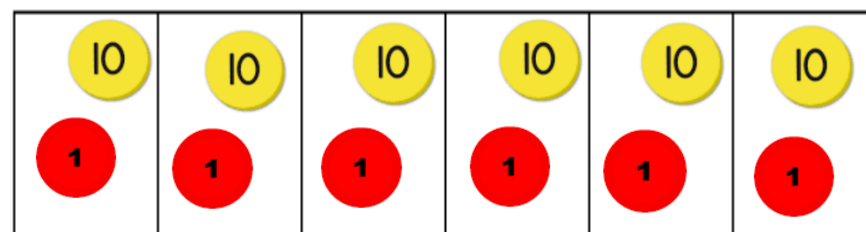


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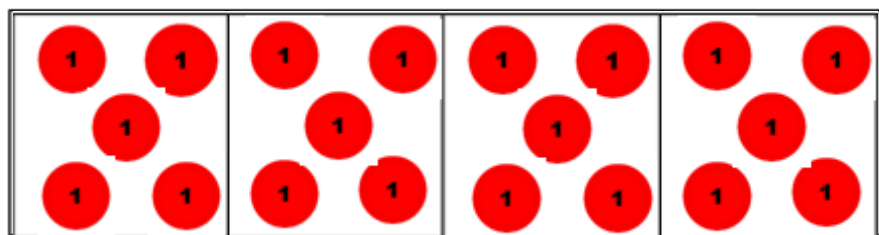


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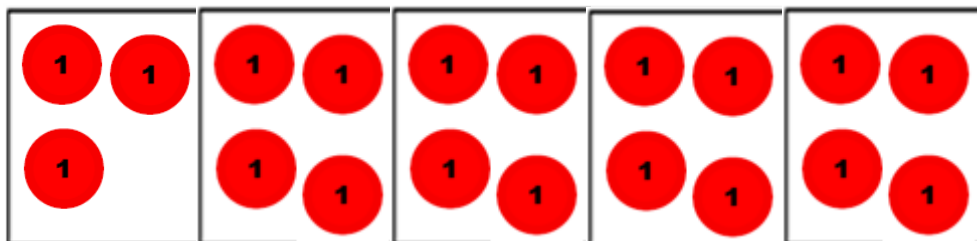
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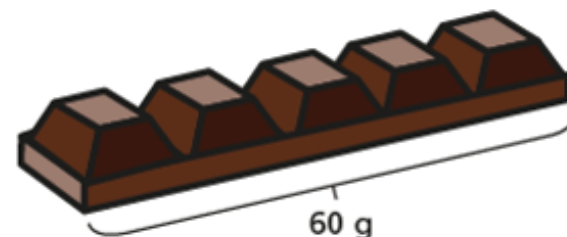
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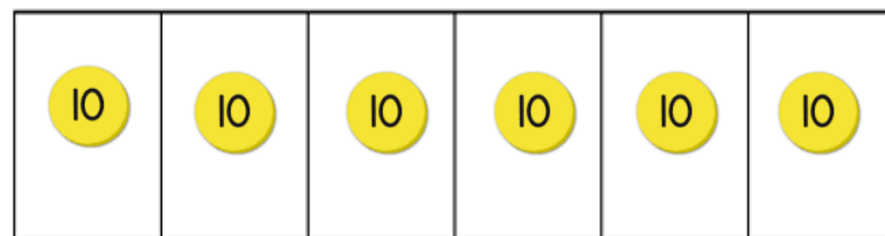


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