

# Knowledge Organiser: Year 9 Maths; Decimals and Place Value (Part 2)



## Dividing by 10, 100, etc.

This is pretty easy stuff too. Just make sure you know it — that's all.

### 1) To Divide Any Number by 10

Move the decimal point **ONE** place **SMALLER** and if it's needed, **REMOVE ZEROS** after the decimal point.

E.g.  $32.2 \div 10 = 3.22$   
 $6541 \div 10 = 654.1$   
 $4200 \div 10 = 420.0 = 420$

### 2) To Divide Any Number by 100

Move the decimal point **TWO** places **SMALLER** and **REMOVE ZEROS** after the decimal point.

E.g.  $333.8 \div 100 = 3.338$   
 $160 \div 100 = 1.60 = 1.6$   
 $1729 \div 100 = 17.29$

## Multiplying Decimals

- 1) Start by ignoring the decimal points. Do the multiplication using whole numbers.
- 2) Count the total number of digits after the decimal points in the original numbers.
- 3) Make the answer have the same number of decimal places.

**EXAMPLE:** Work out  $3.2 \times 1.8$

This is worked out on page 7.

- 1) Do the whole-number multiplication:  $32 \times 18 = 576$
- 2) Count the digits after the decimal points:  $3.2 \times 1.8$  has 2 digits after the decimal points — so will the answer.
- 3) Give the answer the same number of decimal places:  $3.2 \times 1.8 = 5.76$

## Standard Form

Standard form (or 'standard index form') is useful for writing very big or very small numbers in a more convenient way. A number written in standard form must always be in exactly this form:

This number must always be between 1 and 10.

$$A \times 10^n$$

This number is just the number of places the decimal point moves.

(The fancy way of saying this is  $1 \leq A < 10$ )



### Three Rules for Standard Form

- 1) The front number must always be between 1 and 10.
- 2) The power of 10, n, is how far the decimal point moves.
- 3) n is positive for BIG numbers, n is negative for SMALL numbers. (This is much better than rules based on which way the decimal point moves.)

## Three Important Examples



**1** Express 259 000 in standard form.

- 1) Move the decimal point until 259 000 becomes 2.59 ( $1 \leq A < 10$ ).
- 2) The decimal point has moved 5 places so  $n = 5$ , giving:  $10^5$ .
- 3) 259 000 is a big number so  $n$  is +5, not -5.

$$259000 = 2.59 \times 10^5$$

**2** Express 0.00335 in standard form.

- 1) The decimal point must move 3 places to give 3.35 ( $1 \leq A < 10$ ). So the power of 10 is 3.
- 2) Since 0.00335 is a small number it must be  $10^{-3}$ , not  $10^{+3}$ .

$$0.00335 = 3.35 \times 10^{-3}$$

**3** Write these numbers in order from smallest to largest:

$$2.25 \times 10^4 \quad 7.98 \times 10^{-4} \quad 6880 \quad 3.12 \times 10^4 \quad 6.75 \times 10^3 \quad 0.000134$$

- 1) First convert all the numbers into standard form.  
 $6880 = 6.88 \times 10^3$        $0.000134 = 1.34 \times 10^{-4}$
- 2) Now group the numbers with the same power together and order them based on the power.  
 $7.98 \times 10^{-4}$     $1.34 \times 10^{-4}$     $6.88 \times 10^3$     $6.75 \times 10^3$     $2.25 \times 10^4$     $3.12 \times 10^4$
- 3) Finally, order each group by the size of the first number, giving the numbers in the form that...

## Rounding Errors and Estimating

"Estimate" doesn't mean "take a wild guess", so don't just make something up...

If you're given a rounded value and asked to find a range of values that the actual value could have been, remember:

Whenever a value is rounded to a given unit the actual value can be up to **HALF THE ROUNDING UNIT** bigger or smaller.

**EXAMPLE:**

Between which two values could these rounded values lie?

	Half the rounding unit	Smallest value	Biggest value
a) 70 to the nearest 10	$10 \div 2 = 5$	$70 - 5 = 65$	$70 + 5 = 75$
b) 1100 to the nearest 100	$100 \div 2 = 50$	$1100 - 50 = 1050$	$1100 + 50 = 1150$
c) 9.2 to 1 d.p.	$0.1 \div 2 = 0.05$	$9.2 - 0.05 = 9.15$	$9.2 + 0.05 = 9.25$
d) 99 to 2 s.f.	$1 \div 2 = 0.5$	$99 - 0.5 = 98.5$	$99 + 0.5 = 99.5$
e) 1.14 to 3 s.f.	$0.01 \div 2 = 0.005$	$1.14 - 0.005 = 1.135$	$1.14 + 0.005 = 1.145$

The biggest value doesn't actually round to the rounded value (it rounds up) — it's called the upper limit. You can show this if you give the range of values as an inequality (see p37). E.g. in part c) above the range of the possible  $x$  values would be  $9.15 \leq x < 9.25$ .

## Estimating

When you're estimating just follow this simple rule:

**Round everything off to nice convenient numbers and then work out the answer.**

**EXAMPLE:**

Estimate the value of  $\frac{63.26 \times 13.12}{16.9}$ .

Round each number to 1 s.f and do the calculation with the rounded numbers.

$$\frac{63.26 \times 13.12}{16.9} \approx \frac{60 \times 10}{20} = \frac{600}{20} = 30$$

means 'approximately equal to'.





## How do we use Knowledge Organisers in Mathematics?

### How can you use knowledge organisers at home to help us?

- **Retrieval Practice:** Read over a section of the knowledge organiser, cover it up and then write down everything you can remember. Repeat until you remember everything.
- **Flash Cards:** Using the Knowledge Organisers to help on one side of a piece of paper write a question, on the other side write an answer. Ask someone to test you by asking a question and seeing if you know the answer.
- **Mind Maps:** Turn the information from the knowledge organiser into a mind map. Then reread the mind map and on a piece of paper half the size try and recreate the key phrases of the mind map from memory.
- **Sketch it:** Draw an image to represent each fact; this can be done in isolation or as part of the mind map/flash card.
- **Teach it:** Teach someone the information on your knowledge organiser, let them ask you questions and see if you know the answers.

### How will we use knowledge organisers in Mathematics?

*Knowledge organisers will be used before I complete a Learning Check or Common Assessment. I will spend part of the lesson looking over each of the key topics of the half term before completing the Learning Check or Common Assessment.*

*I will also use these at home to complete my own independent learning and revision of these key topics.*

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