

#### Learning Objectives

- To understand large numbers and the terms used to represent them.
- To compare large numbers and order them.
- To employ estimation for large numbers.
- To solve word problems involving four fundamental operations.
- To understand and use the properties of Whole Numbers.

# 1.1 Introduction

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Read the following conversation between two classmates.

Mani	:	(Reading Newspaper Headlines) "Ten thousand people visited the trade fair	yesterday".
Mallika	:	Wow! That's a lot of people.	
Mani	:	Thank goodness, I went to the trade fair exactly yesterday!	
Mallika	:	Why what is so important about it?	
Mani	:	Don't you see? If I had not gone, they would have written "Nine thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine people only visited the trade fair yesterday". It would have been difficult to read and	



What do you think about this conversation? Was Mani right?

understand!

No! it would still be "Ten thousand people visited!". Newspapers give (and readers want) a sense of the size, NOT exact values when numbers are large.

You have probably heard names like 'lakhs' and 'crores' used by elders.

We often come across situations that involve large numbers in real life, like the number of people living in a district, the budget of the Government, the distance of stars or the number of bicycles sold in a year and so on. In all these situations, we look for names that convey the "size" of these numbers.

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Let us understand the large numbers in detail, and the way they are connected to the numbers learnt earlier.

#### **Recap of Successor and Predecessor**

- When 1 is added to a number we get its Successor.
- When 1 is subtracted from a number we get its Predecessor.



- The Successor of 4576 is \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Predecessor of 8970 is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 999 + 1 = \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10000 1 = \_\_\_\_\_.
- The predecessor of the smallest 5 digit number is \_\_\_\_\_

# **1.2 Formation of large numbers**

Now, we learn the formation of large numbers. Let us build and complete the number tower by observing the pattern of numbers.

Greatest number	Add	Equals	Smallest number	Number Name
Greatest 1 digit number 9	+ 1	=	Smallest 2 digit number 10	Ten
Greatest 2 digit number 99	+ 1	=	Smallest 3 digit number 100	Hundred
Greatest 3 digit number 999	+ 1	=	Smallest 4 digit number	Thousand

Greatest 4 digit number	+ 1	=	Smallest 5 digit number 10000	Ten Thousand
Greatest 5 digit number	+ 1	=	Smallest 6 digit number	Lakhs
Greatest 6 digit number	+ 1	=	Smallest 7 digit number	Ten Lakhs
Greatest 7 digit number 9999999	+ 1	=	Smallest 8 digit number 10000000	Crores

We can observe that in every row the smallest number column has an additional zero compared to the previous row. You have read in lower classes about place value system. In this system (which was invented in India and spread to other countries!), the number 10 plays a very important role. It is shown in the following table.

1 × 10	=	10	(Ten)
10 × 10	=	100	(Hundred)
100 × 10	=	1000	(Thousand)
1000 × 10	=	10000	(Ten Thousand)
10000 × 10	=	100000	(Lakhs)
100000 × 10	=	1000000	(Ten Lakhs)

While each new row gives a number 10 times bigger, what happens if we skip and go 2 rows below. Numbers would be 100 times bigger.

For example, 1000 = 100 times 10, or Thousand has "hundred tens" in it.

As the numbers get large, it is difficult to keep track of the number of digits and the place value for each digit. Wherever possible, we use names like lakh and crore instead of writing so many zeros. However, we can write exact values of large numbers too, if needed.



- 1. Give 3 examples where the number of things counted by you would be a 5 digit number or more.
- 2. There are ten lakh people in a district. What would be the population of 10 such districts?
- 3. The Government spends rupees 2 crores for education in a particular district every month. What would be its expenditure over 10 months?

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# **1.3 Place Value Chart**

#### 1.3.1 Indian Method

Periods	Crores		Lak	khs	Thous	sands	Ones			
	тс	С	TL	L	T Th	Th	н	Т	0	
Place Value	Ten Crores	Crores	Ten Lakhs	Lakhs	Ten Thousands	Thousands	Hundreds	Tens	Ones	

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When we write large numbers we make use of place value chart to ensure that we do not miss any digit in between, while writing it. In a given number, starting from the right, the first three places make the ones period, the next two places make the thousands period, the next two places make the lakhs period and the next places make the crores period.

Try to read the number 359468421. Is it difficult? Yes. It is not easy. But by using the indicators or the periods, it is easy to read and write 359468421 as under.

Periods	Crores		Lakhs		Thou	sands	Ones				
Place Value	TC	С	TL	L	T Th	T Th Th		Т	0		
Number	3	5	9	4	6	8	4	2	1		
	35 C	35 Crores 94 Lakhs 68 Thousands 421 Ones									
Number Name	Thirty f	ive crore	ninety f	our lakh	sixty eig	ght thous	sand fou	r hundre	ed and		
	twenty	one.									

#### Use of comma

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In any given number, we separate the periods by using commas. In our Indian System of Numeration, we use commas from the right. The first comma comes before Hundreds place (3 digits from the right). The second comma comes before Ten Thousands place (5 digits from the right). The third comma comes before Ten Lakhs place (7 digits from the right) and the digits next to it represents crore.

#### Example 1.1

The distance between the Sun and the Earth is about 92900000 miles. Read and write the number in the Indian method.

#### **Solution**

Periods	Crores	La	khs	Thous	sands	Ones					
Place Value	С	TL	L	T Th	Th	Н	Т	0			
Number	9	9 2 9			0	0	0	0			
Using Commas	9,29,00,000	9,29,00,000									
Number Name	Nine crores a	Vine crores and twenty nine lakhs.									

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Complete the table											
Place Value Number	тс	С	TL	L	T Th	Th	н	т	0	Number name	
1670											
47684											
120001											
7800500			7	8	0	0	5	0	0	Seventy Eight Lakhs Five Hundred	
53409098											
198765912											

Note: When we write numbers, the place value increases from right to left.

### 1.3.2 International Method

This system is followed by many countries in the world.

Periods	Billions			М	illions		Th	Ones				
	HB	ТВ	В	HM	ТМ	Μ	HT	T Th	Th	н	Т	0
Place Value	Hundred Billions	Ten Billions	Billions	Hundred Millions	Ten Millions	Millions	Hundred thousands	Ten Thousands	Thousands	Hundreds	Tens	Ones

In a given number, starting from the right, the first three places make the ones period, the next three places make the thousands period, the next three places make the million period and the next three places make the billion period etc.

#### Read and write 35694568421 in the international method

Periods	Billions			Millions			-	Thousand	Ones			
Place Value	HB	ТВ	В	НM	ТΜ	М	ΗT	T Th	Th	Н	Т	0
Number		3	5	6	9	4	5	6	8	4	2	1
Number	35	Billion	S	694	4 Millio	ns	56	8 Thousai	42	1 On	es	
Namo	Thirty	five bill	ion six	x hundred and ninety four million five hundred and sixty eigh								
Maine	thousa	nd fou	r hund	dred an	d twen	ty one						

#### Use of commas

In the International System of Numeration, we use Ones, Tens, Hundreds, Thousands, Ten Thousands, Hundred Thousands, Million, Ten Million, Hundred Million and Billion, Ten Billion, Hundred Billion. Commas are used to mark Thousands, Millions and Billions.

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#### Example 1.2

The distance between the Sun and the Earth is about 92900000 miles. Read and write the number in the International Method.

#### **Solution**

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Periods	Billions			Millions			Т	Ones				
Place Value	HB	ТΒ	В	HM	ТМ	Μ	ΗT	T Th	Th	Н	Т	0
Number					9	2	9	0	0	0	0	0
Using Commas	92,90	92,900,000										
Number Name	Ninet	y two	millio	on and	nine	hundı	red the	ousands.				

#### **1.3.3 Comparison of Number Systems**

We can easily understand both the Indian and the International Number Systems from the following table.

	Indian Number	System	International Number System			
Period	Name	Numeral	Name	Numeral	Period	
	One	1	One	1		
nes	Ten	10	Ten	10	nes	
0	Hundred	100	Hundred	100	0	
spu	Thousand	1,000	Thousand	1,000		
Thousa	Ten thousand	10,000	Ten thousand	10,000	ousands	
akhs	Lakhs	1,00,000	Hundred thousand	100,000	The	
	Ten Lakhs	10,00,000	Million	1,000,000	0	
	Crores	1,00,00,000	Ten Million	10,000,000	illions	
es	Ten crores	10,00,00,000	Hundred Million	100,000,000	Z	
Cror	Hundred crores	100,00,00,000	Billion	1,000,000,000	JS	
	Thousand crores	1000,00,00,000	Ten Billion	10,000,000,000	Billion	

With the help of the above table, we can read the number 57340000 as 5,73,40,000 (Five Crore Seventy Three Lakh Forty Thousand) in the Indian System and as 57,340,000 (Fifty Seven Million Three Hundred Forty Thousand) in the International System.

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Identify the incorrectly place	ed comma and rewrite co	rrectly.	
Indian System :	(i) 56,12,34,0,1,5	(ii) 9,90,03,2245	
International System :	(i) 7,5613,4534	(ii) 30,30,304,040	

Take a white chart and cut into 9 equal pieces. Write different numbers on each piece. Arrange the pieces, as many times, horizontally which form different numbers. Write any five different numbers and express them in the Indian and the International System.

#### 1.3.4 Place Value of digits in Large Numbers

Every digit of a number has a place value which gives the value of the digit.

Write the number 676097 in expanded form:

Number : 6,76,097 Expanded form : 6 lakhs + 7 ten thousands + 6 thousands + 0 hundreds + 9 tens + 7 ones : 6 × 100000 + 7 × 10000 + 6 × 1000 + 0 × 100 + 9 × 10 + 7 × 1 : 600000 + 70000 + 6000 + 90 + 7

Finding the place value of all the digits in 9847056:

The Place value of 6 is	=	6 Ones	=	6 × 1	=	6
The Place value of 5 is	=	5 Tens	=	5 × 10	=	50
The Place value of 0 is	=	0 Hundreds	=	0 × 100	=	0
The Place value of 7 is	=	7 Thousands	=	7 × 1000	=	7,000
The Place value of 4 is	=	4 Ten Thousands	=	4 × 10000	=	40,000
The Place value of 8 is	=	8 Lakhs	=	8 × 100000	=	8,00,000
The Place value of 9 is	=	9 Ten Lakhs	=	9 × 1000000	=	90,00,000

Hence, the number 98,47,056 is read as Ninety Eight Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand Fifty Six.

1. Expand the following numbers:

(i) 2304567
(ii) 4509888
(iii) 9553556

2. Find the place value of underlined digits.

(i) 3841567
(ii) 9443810

3. Write down the numerals and place value of 5 in the numbers represented by the following number names.

(i) Forty Seven Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One.
(ii) Nine Crores Eighty Two Lakhs Fifty Thousand Two Hundred Forty One.
(iii) Nineteen Crores Fifty Seven Lakhs Sixty Thousand Three Hundred Seventy.

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#### Example 1.3

How many thousands are there in 1 lakh?

#### **Solution**

Place Value	L	T Th	Th	Н	Т	0	
1 lakh	1	0	0	0	0	0	1 lakh 100000
1 thousand			1	0	0	0	$\frac{100000}{1000} = 100$

Lakh is 2 places to the left of thousand. So, it is  $10 \times 10 = 100$  times thousand. Hence, 1 lakh = 100 thousands.

#### Example 1.4

How many thousands are there in 1 million?

#### **Solution**

Place Value	М	H Th	T Th	Th	Н	Т	0	
1 million	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 million 1000,000 1000
1 thousand				1	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{1 \text{ thousand}} = \frac{1}{1900} = 1000$

Million is 3 places to the left of Thousand.

1000 Thousands  $(1000 \times 1000 = 1,000,000)$  are in a million.

- 1. How many hundreds are there in 10 lakh?
- 2. How many lakhs are there in a million?
- 3. 10 lakh candidates write the Public Exam this year. If each exam centre is allotted with 1000 candidates. How many exam centres would be needed?
  - Exercise 1.1
- 1. Fill in the blanks.
  - (i) The smallest 7 digit number is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (ii) The largest 8 digit number is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (iii) The place value of 5 in 7005380 is \_\_\_\_\_
  - (iv) The expanded form of the number 76,70,905 is \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Say True or False.
  - (i) Successor of a one digit number is always a one digit number
  - (ii) Predecessor of a 3-digit number is always a 3 or 4-digit number
  - (iii) In the Indian System of Numeration the number 67999037 is written as 6,79,99,037.

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- (iv)  $88,888 = 8 \times 10000 + 8 \times 100 + 8 \times 10 + 8 \times 1$
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- 3. How many ten thousands are there in the smallest 6 digit number?
- 4. Observe the commas and write down the place value of 7.
  (i) 56,74,56,345
  (ii) 567,456,345
- 5. Write the following numbers in the International System by using commas.
  (i) 347056 (ii) 7345671 (iii) 634567105 (iv) 1234567890
- 6. Write the largest six digit number and put commas in the Indian and the International Systems.

- 7. Write the number names of the following numerals in the Indian System.(i) 75,32,105 (ii) 9,75,63,453
- 8. Write the number names in words using the International System.
  (i) 345,678 (ii) 8,343,710 (iii) 103,456,789
- 9. Write the number name in numerals.
  - (i) Two crores thirty lakhs fifty one thousand nine hundred eighty.
  - (ii) Sixty six millions three hundred forty five thousand twenty seven.
  - (iii) Seven hundred eighty nine millions, two hundred thirteen thousand four hundred fifty six.
- 10. Tamil Nadu has about twenty six thousand three hundred forty five square kilometre of Forest land. Write the number mentioned in the statement in Indian System and International System.
- 11. The number of employees in the Indian Railways is about ten lakhs. Write this in the International System of numeration.

#### **Objective Type Questions**

12.	The successor of 10	million is						
	(a) 1000001	(b) 10000001	(c) 9999999	(d) 100001				
13.	The difference betw	een the successor and	the predecessor of	99999 is				
	(a) 90000	(b) 1	(c) 2	(d) 99001				
14.	1 billion is equal to							
	(a) 100 crore	(b) 100 million	(c) 100 lakh	(d) 10000 lakh				
15.	The expanded form	of the number 6,70,9	05 is					
	(a) 6 × 10000 + 7 >	× 1000 + 9 × 100 + 5	× 1					
	(b) $6 \times 10000 + 7 >$	$\times$ 1000 + 0 $\times$ 100 + 9	$0 \times 100 + 0 \times 10 +$	5 × 1				
	(c) $6 \times 1000000 + 7 \times 10000 + 0 \times 1000 + 9 \times 100 + 0 \times 10 + 5 \times 1000000 + 0 \times 10000000000000000000000$							
	(d) $6 \times 100000 + 7$	× 10000 + 0 × 1000	$+ 9 \times 100 + 0 \times 10$	) + 5 × 1				

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# **1.4 Comparison of Numbers**

We are familiar with the concept of comparing numbers and finding the biggest among them. We use symbols <, > and = to compare any two numbers.

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#### **1.4.1 Comparing numbers with unequal number of digits**

1. When we compare the numbers 16090 and 100616, we have already learnt that the number with more digits is greater.

Hence, 1,00,616 (6 digit number) > 16,090 (5 digit number).

 Write the numbers in the ascending order: 688, 9, 23005, 50, 7500.
 Find the least and the greatest among the numbers: 478, 98, 6348, 3, 6007, 50935.

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2. Suppose we are given more than two numbers say 1468, 5, 201, 69 and 70000. Then among these, we can immediately say that the number 70000 is the greatest and 5 is the least, based on the number of digits.

#### 1.4.2 Comparing numbers with equal number of digits

#### Think about the situation

In a distance analysis chart, the distance between Chennai and New Delhi is 2180 k.m. and Chennai to Noida is 2158 k.m. respectively. Which city is farther from Chennai?

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	
Compare the thousands place of two numbers 2 1 8 0 2 1 5 8 Here digit at the thousands place of both numbers are the same. We can't arrive at any conclusion. So, we move on to the next step.	Compare the hundreds place of two numbers 2 1 8 0 2 1 5 8 Here digit at the hundreds place of both numbers are the same. We can't arrive at any conclusion. So, we move on to the next step.	Compare the tens place of two numbers 2 1 8 0 2 1 5 8 Here digit at the tens place of both numbers are different, So, the number with the greatest tenth place will be the greater. Therefore, 2180 > 2158	Think! Why we need not compare the one's place?
<ul> <li>2 1 8 0</li> <li>2 1 5 8</li> <li>Here digit at the thousands place of both numbers are the same.</li> <li>We can't arrive at any conclusion. So, we move on to the next step.</li> </ul>	2 1 8 0 2 1 5 8 Here digit at the hundreds place of both numbers are the same. We can't arrive at any conclusion. So, we move on to the next step.	2 1 8 0 2 1 5 8 Here digit at the tens place of both numbers are different, So, the number with the greatest tenth place will be the greater. Therefore, 2180 > 2158	need comp the o place

Compare the given numbers 2180 and 2158 using the above mentioned steps.

Hence, 2180 > 2158. So, New Delhi is farther from chennai.

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#### Example 1.5

Compare 59283746 and 59283748 using place value chart.

#### **Solution**

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**Step 1:** Number of digits in the two given numbers are equal.

**Step 2:** Compare the place values using the place value chart.

Place Value	С	TL	L	T Th	Th	н	т	О
First Number	5	9	2	8	3	7	4	6
Second Number	5	9	2	8	3	7	4	8

Compare the digits of the two numbers from the highest place value as noted below.

Here only the digits in the ones place are not equal and 6 < 8.

Hence, 59283746 < 59283748.



Compare the two numbers and put <, > and = using place value chart.

15475	3214
73204	973561
8975430	8975430
1899799	1899799

#### 1.4.3 Arranging the numbers in ascending and descending order

The heights of five different apartments named as A, B, C, D and E in a locality are 985 feet, 1245 feet, 1865 feet, 355 feet and 585 feet respectively. They are shown according to their heights as shown in Fig. 1.1.

Can you arrange them in the ascending order of their heights? Yes, We can arrange the numbers by comparing them based on the place values.



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#### Step 1

Compare the 4 digit numbers 1245 and 1865. By following the steps mentioned for comparing the numbers having same number of digits, we get 1865 > 1245. The tallest apartment is 'C' (1865 feet). The next tallest apartment is 'B' (1245 feet).

Place Value Apartments	Th	н	т	Ο
А		9	8	5
В	1	2	4	5
С	1	8	6	5
D		3	5	5
E		5	8	5

#### Step 2

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Compare the three digit numbers 985, 585 and 355. Using the above table, we get,

985 > 585 > 355. The smallest among them is 355.

Hence we write the heights of the apartments in ascending order as,

			T	RY THES	SE	
D		Е		А	В	С
355	<	585	<	985 <	1245 <	1865

The area in sq. k.m. of four Indian states are given below

States	Area (Sq.k.m.)
Tamil Nadu	1,30,058
Kerala	38,863
Karnataka	1,91,791
Andhra Pradesh	1,62,968

List the areas of the above four Indian States in the ascending and the descending order.



Thomas Harriot (1560 - 1621) A famous mathematician, was the first to use "<" (less than) and ">" (greater than) symbols.

# 1.5 Creating New Numbers

Using the four digits 9, 4, 8 and 5 we need to make different 4-digit numbers in such a way that the digits are not repeated. We get the following arrangement of different 4-digit numbers.

Th	н	т	Ο
9	4	8	5
9	4	5	8
9	8	4	5
9	8	5	4
9	5	4	8
9	5	8	4

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In the same way, try placing the digit 4 in thousands place and get six different 4-digit numbers. Also make different 4-digit numbers by fixing 8 and 5 in the thousands place.

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Divide a chart paper into eight equal parts. Write different 1-digit numbers on it. List out the possible 8 digit numbers and also find the largest and the smallest numbers among them.

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#### **Impact of Place Value**

Consider the 4-digit number 3795. When we exchange the digits of two places, the number either becomes larger or smaller. For example, the given number is 3795. If the digits 9 and 5 are exchanged, then the number is 3759. This number is less than the given number. It makes a great impact in the situations like handling currencies.

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- In the same way, make different 4-digit numbers by exchanging the digits and check every time whether the number made is small or big.
- Pedometer used in walking practice contains 5 digit number. What could be the largest measure?

#### Exercise 1.2

- 1. Fill in the blanks with > or < or = .
  - (i) 48792 \_\_\_\_\_ 48972
  - (ii) 1248654 \_\_\_\_\_ 1246854
  - (iii) 658794 \_\_\_\_\_ 658794
- 2. Say True or False.
  - (i) The difference between the smallest number of seven digits and the largest number of six digits is 10.
  - (ii) The largest 4-digit number formed by the digits 8, 6, 0, 9 using each digit only once is 9086.
  - (iii) The total number of 4 digit numbers is 9000.
- 3. Of the numbers 1386787215, 137698890, 86720560, which one is the largest? Which one is the smallest ?
- 4. Arrange the following numbers in the descending order: 128435, 10835, 21354, 6348, 25840
- 5. Write any eight digit number with 6 in ten lakhs place and 9 in ten thousandth place.
- 6. Rajan writes a 3-digit number, using the digits 4, 7 and 9. What are the possible numbers he can write?
- The password to access my ATM card includes the digits 9,4,6 and 8. It is the smallest
   4 digit even number. Find the password of my ATM Card.
- 8. Postal Index Number consists of six digits. The first three digits are 6, 3, and 1. Make the largest and the smallest Postal Index Number by using the digits 0,3 and 6, each only once.

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- 9. The heights (in metres) of the mountains in Tamil Nadu are as follows:

SI. No	Mountains	Height (in metres)
1	Doddabetta	2637
2	Mahendragiri	1647
3	Aanaimudi	2695
4	Velliangiri	1778

- (i) Which is the highest mountain listed above?
- (ii) Order the mountains from the highest to the lowest.
- (iii) What is the difference between the heights of the mountains Aanaimudi and Mahendragiri?

#### **Objective Type Questions**

- 10. Which list of numbers is in order from the smallest to the largest?
  - (a) 1468, 1486, 1484 (b) 2345, 2435, 2235
  - (c) 134205, 134208, 154203 (d) 383553, 383548, 383642
- 11. The Arabian Sea has an area of 1491000 square miles. This area lies between which two numbers?
  - (a) 1489000 and 1492540 (b) 1489000 and 1490540
  - (c) 1490000 and 1490100 (d) 1480000 and 1490000
- 12. The chart below shows the number of newspapers sold as per Indian Readership Survey in 2018. Which could be the missing number in the table?

Name of the Newspaper	Ranking	Sold (in Lakh)
А	1	70
В	2	50
С	3	?
D	4	10

(a) 8 (b) 52 (c) 77 (d) 26

# 1.6 Use of Large Numbers in Daily Life Situations

We know to apply four basic operations on numbers. We will see a few more examples which deal with the four operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

#### Example 1.6

In an exhibition, the number of tickets sold on the first, second, third and fourth days are 1,10,000, 75,060, 25,700 and 30,606 respectively. Find the total number of tickets sold on all the 4 days.

#### **Solution**

Number of tickets sold on the first day	=	1,10,000
Number of tickets sold on the second day	=	75,060
Number of tickets sold on the third day	=	25,700
Number of tickets sold on the fourth day	=	30,606
Adding all the above, the total number of		
tickets sold on all the 4 days	=	2,41,366

#### Example 1.7

In a year, a whole-sale paper firm sold 6,25,600 notebooks out of 7,50,000 notebooks. Find the number of notebooks left unsold.

#### **Solution**

Number of notebooks in the store	=	7,50,000
Number of notebooks sold	=	6,25,600
Number of notebooks unsold	=	1,24,400

#### Example 1.8

In a mobile store, the number of mobiles sold during a month is 1250. Assuming that the same number of mobiles are sold every month, find the number of mobiles sold in 2 years.

#### **Solution**

Number of mobiles sold in 1 month = 1250 1 year = 12 months 2 years =  $2 \times 12$ = 24 months Number of mobiles sold in 24 months =  $1250 \times 24 = 30,000$ Number of mobiles sold in 2 years = 30,000

#### Example 1.9

If ₹10,00,000 was distributed in a Government scheme to 500 women in the Self Help Groups, then find the amount given to each woman.

#### **Solution**

Amount to be given to 500 women= ₹10,00,000Amount given to each woman= 10,00,000  $\div$  500 = ₹2000Each woman in the Self Help Group was given ₹2000.

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# **1.7 Order of Operations**

#### Think about the situation

Valli and her four friends went to a butter milk shop. Each had a cup of butter milk and paid ₹30, assuming that the cost of one cup of butter milk to be ₹6. But the shop keeper told that the cost of butter milk had increased by ₹2. Then, Valli decided to give ₹2 more and paid ₹32. But the shop keeper claimed that she had to pay ₹40. Who is correct?

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The amount ₹40 claimed by the Shop keeper is correct. This confusion can be avoided by using the brackets in the correct places like  $5 \times (6 + 2)$ .

The rule of order of operations is called as BIDMAS. In BIDMAS the operations done from left to right.

Expansion of BIDMAS			
В	Bracket ()		
- I	Indices (you will learn it later)		
D	Division ÷ or /		
М	Multiplication ×		
А	Addition +		
S	Subtraction –		

Now, we try to solve  $9 + 5 \times 2$  by using BIDMAS,

$$9 + (5 \times 2) = 9 + 10$$
  
= 19

#### Example 1.10

Simplify :  $24 + 2 \times 8 \div 2 - 1$ 

### **Solution**

24 + 2 × 8 ÷ 2 – 1	(given question)
= 24 + 2 × 4 - 1	( ÷ operation, completed first)
= 24 + 8 - 1	( $\times$ operation, completed second)
= 32 - 1	( + operation, completed third)
= 31	(- operation , completed last)

#### Example 1.11

Simplify :  $20 + [8 \times 2 + \{(6 \times 3) - (10 \div 5)\}]$ 

#### **Solution**

Given,

 $20 + [8 \times 2 + \{(6 \times 3) - (10 \div 5)\}]$ =20 + [8 × 2 + {(6 × 3) - 2}] (÷ completed first) =20 + [8 × 2 + {18 - 2}] (× completed second ) =20 + [8 × 2 + 16] ({ } completed third) =20 + [16 + 16] (× completed fourth) =20 + 32 ([ ] operation completed fifth) =52 (+ completed last)

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#### Exercise 1.3

- 1. Fill in the blanks.
  - (i) If Arulmozhi saves ₹ 12 per day, then she saves ₹ \_\_\_\_\_ in 30 days.
  - (ii) If a person 'A' earns ₹ 1800 in 12 days, then he earns ₹ \_\_\_\_\_ in a day.
  - (iii)  $45 \div (7 + 8) 2 =$ \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 2. Say True or False.

(i)  $3 + 9 \times 8 = 96$  (ii)  $7 \times 20 - 4 = 136$  (iii)  $40 + (56 - 6) \div 2 = 45$ 

- The number of people who visited the Public Library for the past 5 months were 1200, 2000, 2450, 3060 and 3200 respectively. How many people visited the library in the last 5 months.
- 4. Cheran had a bank savings of ₹ 7,50,250. He withdrew ₹ 5,34,500 for educational purpose. Find the balance amount in his account.
- 5. In a cycle factory, 1560 bicycles were manufactured every day. Find the number of bicycles manufactured in 25 days.
- € 62500 was equally distributed as a New Year bonus for 25 employees of a company.
   How much did each receive?
- 7. Simplify the following numerical expressions:
  - (i)  $(10 + 17) \div 3$  (ii)  $12 [3 \{6 (5 1)\}]$
  - (iii)  $100 + 8 \div 2 + \{(3 \times 2) 6 \div 2\}$

#### **Objective Type Questions**

8. The value of 3 + 5 - 7 × 1 is \_\_\_\_\_.
(a) 5 (b) 7 (c) 8 (d) 1

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- 9. The value of 24 ÷ {8 (3 x 2)} is \_\_\_\_\_

(a) 0 (b) 12 (c) 3 (d) 4

10. Use BIDMAS and put the correct operator in the box.

6 -12 ÷ (4 + 2) = 10

(a) + (b) - (c) × (d)  $\div$ 

# **1.8 Estimation of numbers**

Let us see few examples now,

- (ix) Nearly 60,000 people watched the Republic day parade at Rajpath, New Delhi.
- (x) About 2,80,000 people of various countries died due to earthquake and Tsunami on 26th December 2004 in the Indian ocean.
- (xi) The India-Pakistan cricket match was viewed by about 30 million cricket fans in the Television all over the world.



We often come across statements like these in TV channels and dailies. Do these news items, give the exact numbers? No. The numbers mentioned are not accurate. They are only the approximate or closer values to the actual ones. This is the reason, why we generally use words like "about", "nearly" and "approximately". These numbers are only the estimation of the actual value. The word 'about' denotes the number not exactly, but a little more or less. This value is called the estimated value.

The actual figure, though not exactly possible, could have been 59,853 or 61,142 for the first example and it could have been 2,78,955 or 2,80,984 for the second example. Imagine and write about, what could have been the exact number for the third example given above? Similarly, there are many more possible numbers. Thus,

- to get a rough idea we need estimation.
- to get the estimated value, we generally round off the numbers to their nearest tens, hundreds or thousands.

Some real life situations where we use estimates are

- (a) Cost of a Television, Refrigerator, Mixer Grinder etc., are usually expressed in thousands of rupees.
- (b) The Voters population in an Assembly Constituency in a state is often stated in lakhs.

(c) The Central or State Government's Annual Budget is usually given in lakh crore. When an exact answer is not necessary, estimation strategies can be used to determine a reasonably close answer.



- 1. Fill in the jar with some items like Tamarind seeds. Let each student give an estimate of the number of items. Make a table of the result by finding the difference of the estimate and the actual amount.
- 2. Get a large jar and a bag of Tamarind seeds and put 30 seeds in the jar. Observing the contents, estimate how many seeds roughly will fill the whole jar. Continue to fill the jar to check your estimate.

Rounding off is one way to find a number for estimation that is quite convenient. It gives us the closest suitable number according to a given place value. There are four steps involved in the rounding process. Let us illustrate this with an example.

#### Example 1.12

Round off the number 8,436 to the nearest hundreds.

Step	To do	8,436 to hundreds
Step 1	Find the digit in hundreds place	8,436
Step 2	Look at the digit to its right	8,436
Step 3	If this digit is 5 or greater, add 1 to it. If it is less than 5, leave it unchanged	8,436 (3 < 5) Leave 4 unchanged
Step 4	Change the digits to the right of 4 to zeros	8,400

#### Example 1.13

Round off the number 78,794 to the nearest thousands.

Step	To do	78,794 to thousands
Step 1	Find the digit in thousands place	7 <mark>8</mark> ,794
Step 2	Look at the digit to its right	7 <mark>8</mark> ,794
Step 3	If this digit is 5 or greater, add 1 to it. If it is less than 5, leave it unchanged	78,794 (7 > 5) Add 1 to 8 and Change 8 to 9
Step 4	Change the digits to the right of 79 to zeros	79,000

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(iv) 57,312

# 1. Round off the following numbers to the nearest ten.

(i) 57 (ii) 189 (iii) 3,956

- 2. Round off the following numbers to the nearest ten, hundred and thousand.
  (i) 9,34,678 (ii) 73,43,489 (iii) 17,98,45,673
- 3. The tallest mountain in the world Mount Everest, located in Nepal is 8,848 m high. Its height can be rounded to the nearest thousand as \_\_\_\_\_.

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## 1.8.1 Estimation of Sum and Difference

### Example 1.14

The amount deposited by a Gold merchant in his bank account in the month of January is ₹17,53,740 and in the month of February is ₹15,34,300. Estimate the sum and difference of the amount deposited to the nearest thousand.



#### **Solution**

Rounding off to the nearest thousand is as follows.

	Actual Amount	Estimated Amount
Amount deposited in January	₹ 17,53,740	₹ 17,54,000
Amount deposited in February	₹ 15,34,300	₹ 15,34,000
Total amount deposited	₹ 32,88,040	₹ 32,88,000
Difference between the amounts deposited	₹ 2,19,440	₹ 2,20,000



Is 2,19,440 is rounded off to its nearest thousand as 2,19,000. Why?

# **1.8.2 Estimation of Product and Quotient**

#### Example 1.15

If the cost of a copy of Thirukkural book is ₹ 188, then find the estimated cost of 31 copies of such books. (Note : Find the rounded values of 188 to hundreds and 31 to tens and then find the result) The number **10<sup>100</sup>** is called **googol** (this is, 10 multiplied 100 times)

The number  $10^{googol} = 10^{(10^{100})}$ is called googolplex

## **Solution**

Here, 188 is nearer to 200 and 31 is nearer to 30. The exact cost of 31 copies is  $188 \times 31 = ₹5828$  whereas, The estimated cost of 31 copies =  $200 \times 30 = ₹6000$ Therefore, the estimated cost of 31 copies of Thirukkural books is ₹ 6000.

#### Example 1.16

Find the estimated value of  $5598 \div 689$ .

#### Solution



Round of the numbers 5598 and 689 to the nearest hundreds are 5600 and 700

Hence, the estimated value of 5598 ÷ 689 is 8

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- Estimate the sum and the difference rounding off to nearest thousands: 8457 and 4573.
- Estimate the product :  $39 \times 53$
- Estimate the quotient : 6845 ÷ 395

#### Exercise 1.4

#### Fill in the blanks. 1.

- The nearest 100 of 843 is \_\_\_\_\_. (i)
- (ii) The nearest 1000 of 756 is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (iii) The nearest 10000 of 85654 is \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 2. Say True or False.

- 8567 is rounded off as 8600 to the nearest 10. (i)
- (ii) 139 is rounded off as 100 to the nearest 100.
- (iii) 1,70,51,972 is rounded off as 1,70,00,000 to the nearest lakh.
- 3. Round off the following to the given nearest place.
  - (i) 4,065; hundred (ii) 44,555; thousand
  - (iii) 86,943; ten thousand (iv) 50,81,739; lakh
  - (v) 33,75,98,482; ten crore
- Estimate the sum of 157826 and 32469 rounded off to the nearest ten thousand. 4.
- Estimate by rounding off each number to the nearest hundred. 5.
  - (i) 8074 + 4178 (ii) 1768977 + 130589



6. The population of a city was 43,43,645 in the year 2001 and 46,81,087 in the year 2011. Estimate the increase in population by rounding off to the nearest thousand.

#### **Objective Type Questions**

7.	The number which o	on rounding off to the	nearest thousand give	ves 11000 is
	(a) 10345	(b) 10855	(c) 11799	(d) 10056
8.	The estimation to th	e nearest hundred of	76812 is	
	(a) 77000	(b) 76000	(c) 76800	(d) 76900
9.	The number 9785764 is rounded off to the nearest lakh as			
	(a) 9800000	(b) 9786000	(c) 9795600	(d) 9795000
10.	The estimated different	ence of 167826 and 2	765 rounded off to th	e nearest thousand is

## **1.9 Whole Numbers**

(a) 180000

What is Mathematics about? It is about numbers, perhaps about shapes as well. It is true that people usually count 1,2,3... on various situations. This collection of counting numbers  $\{1,2,3,...\}$  is called Natural numbers, denoted by N. If this collection includes 0 as well, then the collection  $\{0,1,2,3,...\}$  is called Whole numebrs, denoted by W.

(c) 140000

#### 1.9.1 Recall the facts on Natural and Whole Numbers

(b) 165000

- The smallest natural number is 1.
- The smallest whole number is 0.
- Every number has a successor. The number that comes just after the given number is its successor.
- Every number has a predecessor. The number 1 has a predecessor in W namely '0', but it has no predecessor in N. The number '0' has no predecessor in W.
- There is an order to numbers. By comparing the two given numbers the larger of the two can be identified.
- Numbers are endless. By adding 1 to any chosen large number, the next number can be found.

Logical and Mathematical operations of numbers are used in everyday arithmetic of numbers. These operations can be made easier using properties. Certain properties of numbers are already used without actually knowing them. For example, while adding 8 + 2 + 7, one way of adding is, 8 and 2 are added first to get 10 and then 7 is added to it. The other way of adding this is, 2 and 7 added first to get 9 of then 8 is added to 9 to get 17 which is same as the are about in first way

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(d) 155000

Find the value of 6 + 3 + 8 and 3 + 6 + 8
i) Are they same?
ii) Is there any other way of arranging these three numbers?
Find the value of 5 × 2 × 6 and 2 × 5 × 6
i) Are they same?
ii) Is there any other way of arranging these three numbers?
Is 7 - 5, the same as 5 - 7? Why?

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- What is the value of (15 8) 6? Is it the same as 15 (8 6)? Why?
- What is 15 ÷ 5? Is it the same as 5 ÷ 15? Why?
- What is the value of  $(100 \div 10) \div 5$ ? Is it the same as  $100 \div (10 \div 5)$ ? Why?

# 1.10 Properties of Whole Numbers

The properties of numbers are important facts to be remembered, which helps to do arithmetic calculations more precisely and to avoid mistakes.

#### 1.10.1 Commutativity of addition and multiplication

When two numbers are added (or multiplied), the order of the numbers does not affect the sum (or the product). This is called commutativity of addition (or multiplication).

Observe the given facts:

(i)	43 + 57	=	57 + 43
(ii)	12 × 15	=	15 × 12
(iii)	35,784 + 48,12,69,841	=	48,12,69,841 + 35,784
(iv)	39,458 × 84,321	=	84,321 × 39,458

Such facts are called as equations. In each of the above equations, the answers on both the sides are same. Finding the answer for the third and fourth equations takes more time. But, these equations are meant to convey the properties of numbers. The third equation is correct by commutativity of addition and the fourth equation is correct by commutativity of multiplication.

There is a nice pictorial way of understanding commutativity of multiplication. If we have 5 rows of stars, each with 4 stars, we can draw the total of 20 stars as a rectangle  $(5 \times 4 = 20)$ . See Fig.1.2 below. Now rotate the rectangle given in Fig.1.2 (a) to get the Fig.1.2(c) as given below. It is the same rectangle. It has exactly the same total number of stars, 20. But now we have 4 rows of stars, each with 5 stars! That is,  $5 \times 4 = 4 \times 5$ .

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Now, look at the following example.

7 - 3 = 4 but 3 - 7 will not give the same answer. Similarly, the answers of  $12 \div 6$  and  $6 \div 12$  are not equal.

That is,  $7 - 3 \neq 3 - 7$  and  $12 \div 6 \neq 6 \div 12$ 

Hence, In whole numbers subtraction and division are not commutative.



- Use atleast three different pairs of whole numbers to verify that subtraction is not commutative.
- Is 10 ÷ 5, the same as 5 ÷ 10? Justify it by taking two more combinations of numbers.

#### 1.10.2 Associativity of addition and multiplication

When several numbers are added, the order in which the numbers are added does not matter. This is called associativity of addition. Similarly, when several numbers are to be multiplied, the order in which the numbers are multiplied does not matter. This is called associativity of multiplication.

It can be said that the following equations are correct, without actually doing any addition or multiplication, but by using the property of associativity. A few examples are given below:

$$(43 + 57) + 25 = 43 + (57 + 25)$$

$$12 \times (15 \times 7) = (12 \times 15) \times 7$$

$$35,784 + (48,12,69,841 + 3) = (35,784 + 48,12,69,841) + 3$$

$$(39,458 \times 84,321) \times 17 = 39,458 \times (84,321 \times 17)$$

It is to be noted that here too, subtraction and division are not associative.

#### 1.10.3 Distributivity of multiplication over addition or subtraction

An interesting fact relating to addition and multiplication comes from the following patterns:

$$(72 \times 13) + (28 \times 13) = (72 + 28) \times 13$$
  

$$37 \times 102 = (37 \times 100) + (37 \times 2)$$
  

$$37 \times 98 = (37 \times 100) - (37 \times 2)$$

From the last two cases, we are arriving at the following equations:

 $37 \times (100 + 2) = (37 \times 100) + (37 \times 2)$  $37 \times (100 - 2) = (37 \times 100) - (37 \times 2)$ 

It can be noted that the product of a number and a sum of numbers can be written as the sum of two products. Similarly, the product of a number and a number got by subtraction can be written as the difference of two products. This property is called the property of distributivity of multiplication over addition or subtraction. It is a very useful property to group numbers in a convenient way. Now let us say  $18 \times 6 = (10 + 8) \times 6$  in an easy way as shown in Fig.1.3.



Thus,  $18 \times 6 = (10 + 8) \times 6$  is shown clearly in the above figure.

It is to be noted that addition does not distribute over multiplication. For example,

 $10 + (10 \times 5) = 60$  and  $(10 + 10) \times (10 + 5) = 300$  are not equal.

#### 1.10.4 Identity for addition and multiplication

When zero is added to any number, we get the same number. Similarly, when we multiply any number by 1, we get the same number. So, zero is called the additive identity and one is called the multiplicative identity for whole numbers.

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NOTE

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Complete the following tables.							
9	+	0	=	9		11	×
7	+	0	=			1	×
0	+	17	=	17		1	×
0	+		=	37		1	×
0	+		=			1	×

11	×	1	=	11
1	×	55	=	55
1	×	12	=	
1	×		=	100
1	×		=	

Finally, these are some simple observations that are important.

• When we add any two natural numbers, we get a natural number. Similarly when we multiply any two natural numbers, we get a natural number.

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- When we add any two whole numbers, we get a whole number. Similarly when we multiply any two whole numbers, we get a whole number.
- When we add a natural number to a whole number, we get a natural number. When we multiply a natural number by a whole number, we get a whole number.
- Any number multiplied by zero gives zero.
- Division by zero is not defined.

Complete the table

6	+	8	=	14, a natural number			
4	+	5	=	9, a natural number			
4	×	5	=	20, a natural number			
6	×	8	=	48, a natural number			
	+		=				
	+		=				
	×		=				
	×		=				
6	+	8	=	14, a whole number			
4	+	5	=	9, a whole number			
15	×	0	=	0, a whole number			
11	×	2	=	22, a whole number			
	+		=				
	+		=				
	×		=				
	×		=				

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All such properties together play a vital role in the Number System. When we learn Algebra, we can realise the usefulness of these properties of the Number System and we can find ways of extending it too.

How will you read the large number given below? 731,687,303,715,884,105,727

This is read as 731 quintillion, 687 quadrillion, 303 trillion, 715 billion, 884 million, 105 thousand, 727 ones.

# Exercise 1.5

# 1. Fill in the blanks.

- (i) The difference between the smallest natural number and the smallest whole number is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (ii) 17 × \_\_\_\_\_ = 34 × 17
- (iii) When \_\_\_\_\_\_ is added to a number, it remains the same.
- (iv) Division by \_\_\_\_\_ is not defined.
- (v) Multiplication by \_\_\_\_\_ leaves a number unchanged.
- 2. Say True or False.
  - (i) 0 is the identity for multiplication of whole numbers.
  - (ii) Sum of two whole numbers is always less than their product.
  - (iii) Both addition and multiplication are associative for whole numbers.
  - (iv) Both addition and multiplication are commutative for whole numbers.
  - (v) Multiplication is distributive over addition for whole numbers.
- 3. Name the property being illustrated in each of the cases given below.
  - (i) 75 + 34 = 34 + 75 (ii)  $(12 \times 4) \times 8 = 12 \times (4 \times 8)$
  - (iii) 50 + 0 = 50 (iv)  $50 \times 1 = 50$
  - (v)  $50 \times 42 = 50 \times 40 + 50 \times 2$
- 4. Use the properties of whole numbers and simplify.
  - (i)  $50 \times 102$  (ii)  $500 \times 689 500 \times 89$

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(iii)  $4 \times 132 \times 25$  (iv) 196 + 34 + 104





# **Objective Type Questions**

5.	$(53 + 49) \times 0$ is					
	(a) 102	(b) 0	(c) 1	(d) 53 + 49 $\times$ 0		
6.	$\frac{59}{1}$ is					
	(a) 1	(b) 0	(c) $\frac{1}{59}$	(d) 59		
7.	The product of a	non-zero whole nu	mber and its succe	essor is always		
	(a) an even numb	per	(b) an odd numb	er		
	(c) zero		(d) none of these			
8.	The whole numbe	er that does not ha	ve a predecessor i	S		
	(a) 10	(b) 0	(c) 1	(d) none of these		
9.	Which of the follo	wing expressions is	s not zero?			
	(a) 0 × 0	(b) $0 + 0$	(c) 2 / 0	(d) 0 / 2		
10.	Which of the following is not true?					
	(a) (4237 + 5498) + 3439 = 4237 + (5498 + 3439)					
	(b) (4237 × 5498) × 3439= 4237 × (5498 × 3439)					
	(c) $4237 + 5498 \times 3439 = (4237 + 5498) \times 3439$					
	(d) $4237 \times (5498 + 3439) = (4237 \times 5498) + (4237 \times 3439)$					

Exercise 1.6

# Miscellaneous Practice Problems

- 1. Try to open my locked suitcase which has the biggest 5 digit odd number as the password comprising the digits 7, 5, 4, 3 and 8. Find the password.
- 2. As per the census of 2001, the population of four states are given below. Arrange the states in ascending and descending order of their population.

State	Population
Tamil Nadu	72147030
Rajasthan	68548437
Madhya Pradesh	72626809
West Bengal	91276115

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Year	No. of Tigers	
1990	3500	
2008	1400	
2011	1706	
2014	2226	

3. Study the following table and answer the questions.

- (i) How many tigers were there in 2011?
- (ii) How many tigers were less in 2008 than in 1990?
- (iii) Did the number of tigers increase or decrease between 2011 and 2014? If yes, by how much?
- 4. Mullaikodi has 25 bags of apples. In each bag there are 9 apples. She shares them equally amongst her 6 friends. How many apples do each get? Are there any apples left over?
- 5. A poultry has produced 15472 eggs and fits 30 eggs in a tray. How many trays do they need?

#### **Challenging Problems**

6. Read the table and answer the following questions.

Name of the Star	Diameter (in miles)
Sun	864730
Sirius	1556500
Canopus	25941900
Alpha Centauri	1037700
Arcturus	19888800
Vega	2594200

- (i) Write the Canopus star's diameter in words, in the Indian and the International System.
- (ii) Write the sum of the place values of 5 in Sirius star's diameter in the Indian System.
- (iii) Eight hundred sixty four million seven hundred thirty. Write in Indian System.
- (iv) Write the diameter in words of Arcturus star in the International System.
- (v) Write the difference of the diameters of Canopus and Arcturus stars in the Indian and the International Systems.

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7. Anbu asks Arivu Selvi to guess a five digit odd number. He gives the following hints.

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- The digit in the 1000s place is less than 5
- The digit in the 100s place is greater than 6
- The digit in the 10s place is 8

What is Arivu Selvi answer? Does she give more than one answer?

- 8. A Music concert is taking place in a stadium. A total of 7,689 chairs are to be put in rows of 90. (i) How many rows will there be? (ii) Will there be any chairs left over?
- 9. Round off the seven digit number 29,75,842 to the nearest lakhs and ten lakhs. Are they the same?
- 10. Find the 5 or 6 or 7 digit numbers from a newspaper or a magazine to get a rounded number to the nearest ten thousand.

#### Summary

- Use of commas helps us in reading and writing large numbers.
- Use of commas differs in the Indian and the International Systems.
- Comparing any two numbers, the one with more digits is larger.
- Comparing any two numbers, if the digits are the same, the number that has a greater left most digit is larger.
- Using BIDMAS, we can avoid the common arithmetic mistakes.
- Large numbers are needed for various situations in our daily life.
- The situations where we do not need the exact quantity give rise to estimation or approximation.
- Estimation is approximating a quantity to a reasonable accuracy.
- Rounding of a number involves in getting a quick, desired and rough estimate of it.
- If zero is included in the collection of Natural numbers (N), we get the collection of Whole numbers (W), W = {0, 1, 2, ...}.
- '0' is the smallest whole number.
- '0' and '1' are the additive and multiplicative identities of whole numbers respectively.
- Whole numbers can be added or multiplied in any order and hence Commutative.
- Multiplication of Whole numbers is both Commutative and Associative.
- Multiplication is Distributive over addition for Whole numbers.
- Division by '0' is not defined.



Open the Browser, Copy and paste the link given below (or) by type the URL given (or) Scan the QR Code.

#### Step - 2

GeoGebra worksheet named "Place Value" will open. A Natural number is given. You can change the problem by clicking on "Problem" button.

#### Step-3

In the bottom page, Answer the question asked by typing the number related to the question.

#### Step-4

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Now Click on the "Place Value" to see all the place values. Repeat the test by clicking on "Problem".



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Chapter

# **INTRODUCTION TO ALGEBRA**



#### **Learning Objectives**

- To describe, extend, create numeric and geometric patterns.
- To make predictions related to the patterns and investigate repeating patterns.
- To understand the role of 'variables' in patterns.
- To use variables in simple algebraic expressions and equations to describe relationships.

# 2.1 Introduction

Are you ready for a number game? Follow the steps carefully:

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Think of any number	Multiply it by 2	Add 20	Divide by 2	Subtract the original number you had thought in step 1

Is your answer 10? Is it the same for all in the class? Verify it with your friend who might have started with a number other than your number. Surprised? What if you started with a fraction, say  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{3}{4}$  or  $\frac{4}{5}$ ? In this game, regardless of the number you started with, the answer will be 10.

Let us verify the game for two more numbers, say 4 and 9.

• If the initial number is 4,

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
4	4 × 2 = 8	8 + 20 = 28	28 ÷ 2 = 14	14 - 4 = 10

### • If the initial number is 9,

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
9	9 × 2 = 18	18 + 20 = 38	38 ÷ 2 = 19	19 - 9 = 10