



Some reminders about addition and subtraction

Here are some reminders to help you with written addition and subtraction.

Addition vs subtraction

Addition and subtraction are opposites.

If you add an amount then take it away again, you will end up with the number you started at. Similarly, if you take away an amount, then add it back on again, you'll be back where you started.

Have a look below to see how this works.

$$\begin{array}{l} \boxed{25} + \boxed{75} = \boxed{100} \\ \boxed{100} - \boxed{25} = \boxed{75} \\ \boxed{100} - \boxed{75} = \boxed{25} \\ \boxed{75} + \boxed{25} = \boxed{100} \end{array}$$

You can use this method to check any addition or subtraction calculation.

For example:

$$456 - 234 = 222$$

Check if this is correct by adding $222 + 234 = 456$.

This is the number we started with, so the answer for the subtraction is correct.

A reminder about place value

Have a look at the number **623**.

6	0	0	← 6 hundreds
	2	0	← 2 tens
		3	← 3 units
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6	2	3	

- **6** is the hundreds digit
- **2** is the tens digit
- **3** is the units digit