

## $5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Math

## Mission 1: Place Value and Decimal Fractions

## Math Parent Letter

Grade 5 Mission 1 place value and decimal fractions. In this topic students will use base ten understanding to add and subtract decimal fractions.

Topic D: Add and Subtracting Decimals

## Words to know

- Thousandths/Hundredths/Tenths
- Sum
- Unit Form
- Addend
- Difference
- Decimal Fraction

Thousandths - one of 1,000 equal parts; thousandths place (in decimal notation) the position of the third digit to the right of the decimal point

Hundredths - one of 100 equal parts; hundredths place (in decimal notation) the position of the second digit to the right of the decimal point
Tenths - one of 10 equal parts; tenths place (in decimal notation) the position of the first digit to the right of the decimal point

Unit form - shows how many of each size unit are in the number. $52.64=5$ tens 2 ones 6 tenths 4 hundredths

52 ones 64 hundredth
Decimal Fraction - a fractional number with a denominator of 10 or a power of $10(10,100,1,000)$. It can be written with a decimal point.

Addend - any number being added
Sum - answer to an addition problem
Difference - answer to a subtraction problem

## Objectives of Topic D

- Add decimals using place value strategies and relate those strategies to a written method.
- Subtract decimals using place value strategies and relate those to the written lesson.


## Focus Area- Topic D

Adding and Subtracting Decimals on the Place Value Cbart

When adding and subtracting decimals students can use place value charts to assist them with regrouping. When adding, students begin by representing each digit in the numbers by drawing a dot in the correct area on the place value chart. Next, they will regroup when there are 10 or more dots in one place.

Example: Represent the digits of the first and second addends on the place value chart. Regroup when there are ten or more in one place. Record the sum.
a. $\mathbf{1 8}$ tenths +13 tenths $=31$ tenths (Unit Form) $1.8+1.3=$ $\qquad$

b. $\quad 3.64+1.47=$ $\qquad$


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\left.\begin{array}{r}
3.64 \\
+1.47 \\
\hline 5.11
\end{array}\right\} \text { Algorithm }
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## Subtracting Decimals

When subtracting students will represent the digits in the minuend on their place value chart. Next the student will subtract the subtrahend by crossing out the numbers in the chart. Students will need to regroup if necessary.

Example:
83 tenths(minuend) -64 tenths(subtrahend) $=$ $\qquad$
$8.3-6.4=$ $\qquad$

| ones | tenths | hundredths | thousandths |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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**Since there are only 3 tenths, 1 one is renamed as 10 tenths. Now you have a total of 13 tenths and you can remove 4 tenths. Next remove 6 ones (x) from the 7 ones. 7 $\left.\begin{array}{r}8.13 \\ -6.4 \\ \hline 1.9\end{array}\right\}$ Algorithm

Application Problems and Answers:
Meyer has 0.64 GB of space remaining on his iPod. He wants to download a pedometer app ( 0.24 GB ) a photo app ( 0.403 GB ) and a math app (0.3 GB). Which combinations of apps can he download? Explain your thinking.

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\left.\begin{array}{c}
0.24 \\
0.403 \\
+\frac{0.3}{0.943}
\end{array}\right] \begin{gathered}
0.943>0.64 \\
\text { He can't download } \\
\text { all three apps. }
\end{gathered}
$$

| 0.24 |
| :---: |
| +0.403 |
| 0.643 | | $0.643>0.64$ <br> He can't download <br> pedometer app <br> and photo app. |
| :--- | | 0.24 |
| :---: |
| +0.3 |
| 0.54 | | $0.54<0.64$ <br> He can download <br> pedometer app <br> and math app. |
| :--- |

Meyer can't download all three apps because he needs $0.943 G B$ of space and he only has $0.64 G B$ of space. He can download the photo app by itself but he can't combine it with anything. He does have enough space to download the pedometer and the math app together.

Mrs. Fan wrote 5 tenths minus 3 hundredths on the board. Michael said the answer is 2 tenths because 5 minus 3 is 2 . Is he correct? Explain.

Michael is incorrect. He is subtracting unlike units. The problem is $0.5-0.03$ and he is subtracting 0.5-0.3. The 5 tenths can be renamed as 50 hundredths so 0.50 minus 0.03 equals 0.47.

Solve then write your answer in standard form.
a. 1 tenth +2 tenths $=\mathbf{3}$ tenths $\mathbf{= 0 . 3}$
b. 14 tenths +9 tenths $=\mathbf{2 3}$ tenths $=\mathbf{2 . 3}$
c. 6 tenths +3 thousandths
$=600$ thousandths +3 thousandths
$=603$ thousandths $=0.603$
d. 5 tenths -2 tenths $=\mathbf{3}$ tenths $\mathbf{= 0 . 3}$
e. $\quad 37$ thousandths -16 thousandths
$=21$ thousandths $=0.021$
f. 7 hundreds 8 hundredths -4 hundredths
$=7$ hundreds 4 hundredths $=700.04$

