

# Missing Digits Calculator 

## Level 3/4

## Number of practice sheets: 9

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## Notes

The questions in this module are similar to the ones set on the calculator papers in previous years. Some do not need a calculator if the children are proficient at mental arithmetic, but children can use a calculator if they wish. In any case, they should be encouraged to check their answers on the calculator.

Techniques to be used in this work include working a sum backwards and using rules of multiplication to find missing numbers.

Eg. if a missing digit must be multiplied by 7 and the answer ends in 1 , the missing digit must be $3(7 \times 3=21)$.

Some missing digits may be found by quickly trying all possibilities on a calculator. $\mathrm{Eg} 8 \square 3 \times 7=5831$. By trying the numbers $0-9$ in the box, they will quickly find the missing digit to be 3 .

Children need to appreciate the need to bring many resources to this type of problem.

Although this type of problem does not appear too often on test papers, these questions are certainly worth practising as they focus on many techniques that may be used elsewhere in number work.

Some questions are written horizontally Eg 4 $\square 7-236=\square 51$. In finding the missing digits children may prefer to rewrite the sum in vertical form, although this is not always necessary if a calculator is being used.

The first worksheet is printed large so that you may use it on an OHP or interactive whiteboard for demonstration purposes.
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Use all the number cards to make the smallest and largest numbers you can between 2000 and 3000 .

Smallest

Largest

2.


Use all the number cards to make the sum correct:


1. Will any even number divide exactly into 371?

Using your calculator, try dividing each of the numbers 3,5,7 and 9 into 371.
Which one divides exactly? $\qquad$
Use what you have discovered to fill in the number boxes

2. Use the same idea to fill in the number boxes below.

$\times \square=219$

1.

$\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$ are both two-digit numbers.
What is the smallest number that $\mathbf{A}$ can be to make the sum true? $\qquad$
2.

$\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$ are both two-digit even numbers.
What is the smallest number that $\mathbf{B}$ can be to make the sum true? $\qquad$
3.

B

$=161$
$\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$ are both two-digit multiples of 7 .
What is the smallest number that $\mathbf{A}$ can be to make the sum true?

1. Write the missing numbers in the boxes in each sum. Use your calculator to check your answers.

c)

e)

b)

d)

f)


2. Write in the missing digits:
a)

b)

c)

d)


e) $4 \square 4+$| 3 | 8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

f) | 2 | 8 | $\square$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

## Animals are great.

Dolphins are so intelligent it takes them only a few days to train a human to stand on the edge of the pool and throw them fish!!!!!


Where do you get these rotten jokes from?
A rotten joke book, of course!

1. Write in the missing digits:
a)

b)

| 7 |  | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

c)

| 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

d)



1. Write the digits that could go in the boxes. Both numbers have two digits.


## Can you find all 5 possible answers?

2. Write the digits that could go in the boxes. Both numbers have two digits.


Can you find two possible answers?
3. Find all the possible answers for the following:

$=5000$

1. Write in the missing digits:

2. Write in the missing digits in these division questions. None of the sums has a remainder.
a)

b)
6) 1 | $7 \square$ |
| :--- |

c) 16
$\square \lcm{96}$
d)

e)
9

f) $1 \square 5$
$7 \longdiv { 8 7 5 }$
g)

h)
$6 \longdiv { 9 1 \square }$

2. Complete this magic square. In the square the
 rows, columns and diagonals add up to the same number.


## Answers

## Page 3

1. Smallest: 2569 Largest: 2965
2. $76+38$ OR $78+36$ (two answers).

## Page 4

1. No even numbers. Divides by $7 . \quad 56 \times 7=392$
2. $67 \times 5=335$
$97 \times 2=194$
$73 \times \mathbf{3}=219$
$77 \times 7=539$
$53 \times 5=265$

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1. $58+99=157$ so 58 is smallest number.
2. $98+30=128$ (98 is largest even number with two digits)
so 30 is smallest number
3. $\mathbf{6 3 + 9 8}=161$ (98 is largest multiple of 7 with two digits) so 63 is smallest number

## Page 6

1. a) 713-249 = 464
b) $846-519=327$
c) $825-376=449$
d) $402-277=125$
e) $598-299=299$
f) $765-397=\mathbf{3 6 8}$

## Page 7

1. a) $407+276=683$
b) $347+555=902$
c) $483+497=980$
d) $807+192=999$
e) $494+386=880$
f) $288+497=785$

## Page 8

1. 

a) $378-236=\mathbf{2 1 4}$
b) $\mathbf{7 8 3}-\mathbf{2 6 4}=519$
c) $988-375=613$
d) $667-492=175$
e) $485-199=286$
f) $853-295=558$

## Answers (Contd)

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1. $10 \times 7=70, \quad 11 \times 7=77, \quad 12 \times 7=84, \quad 13 \times 7=91, \quad 14 \times 7=98$
2. $13 \times 4=52, \quad 23 \times 4=92$
3. $28 \times 10=280$
$14 \times 20=280$
$44 \times 10=440$
$22 \times 20=440$
$11 \times 40=440$
$40 \times 10=400$
$20 \times 20=400$
$25 \times 16=400$
$200 \times 10=2000$
$100 \times 20=2000$
$125 \times 16=2000$
$500 \times 10=5000$
$250 \times 20=5000$
$125 \times 40=5000$
$100 \times 50=5000$
$200 \times 25=5000$

## Page 10

1. 

a) $215 \times 3=645$
b) $129 \times 4=516$
c) $153 \times 6=918$
d) $167 \times 5=835$
e) $423 \times 8=3384$ or
f) $753 \times 6=4518$

## Page 11

1. a) 84
b) 72
c) 6
d) 73
e) 972
f) 125
g) 832
h) 153 and 918
i) 259
3777
2. $\quad 57 \quad 12 \quad 75$
$66 \quad 48 \quad 30$
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