

Year 1 - 6

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Multiplication and Division

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Welcome to the White Rose Maths Calculation Policy.

This document is broken down into addition and subtraction, and multiplication and division.

At the start of each policy, there is an overview of the different models and images that can support the teaching of different concepts. These provide explanations of the benefits of using the models and show the links between different operations.

Each operation is then broken down into skills and each skill has a dedicated page showing the different models and images that could be used to effectively teach that concept.

Place Value Counters (Multiplication)

Hundreds	Tens	Ones
	3	4
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0

$$\begin{array}{r} 34 \\ \times 5 \\ \hline 120 \\ 12 \end{array}$$

Hundreds	Tens	Ones
	4	4
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0

$$\begin{array}{r} 44 \\ \times 32 \\ \hline 8 \\ 80 \\ 120 \\ + 1200 \\ \hline 1408 \\ 1 \end{array}$$

Benefits

Using place value counters is an effective way to support children's understanding of column multiplication. It is important that children write out their calculation alongside the equipment so they can see how the concrete and written match.

As numbers become larger in multiplication or the amounts of groups becomes higher, Base 10 / Dienes becomes less efficient due to the amount of equipment and number of exchanges needed. The counters should be used to support the understanding of the written method rather than support the arithmetic.

Place Value counters also support the area model of multiplication well. Children can see how to multiply 2-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers.

Skill: Multiply 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers

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Hundreds	Tens	Ones
	3	4
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0

H	T	O
	3	4
x		5
	2	0
	1	5
	1	7
		0

34 × 5 = 170

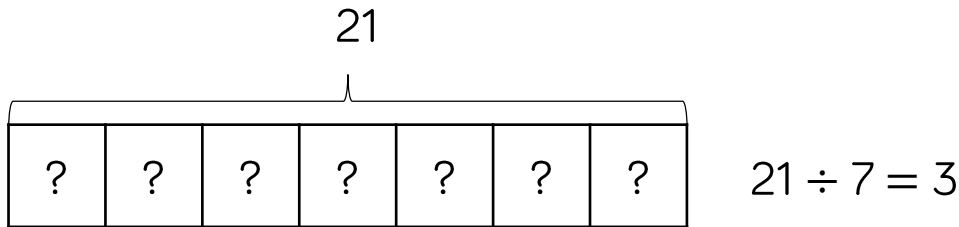
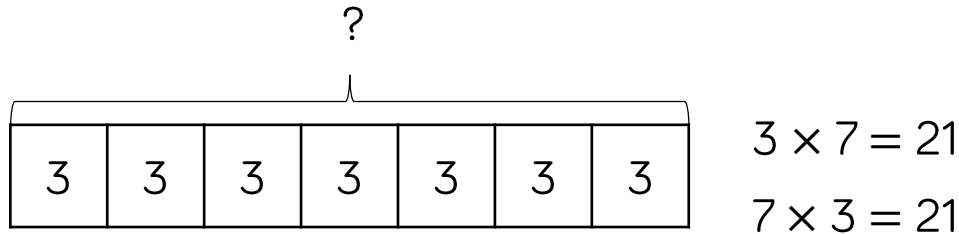
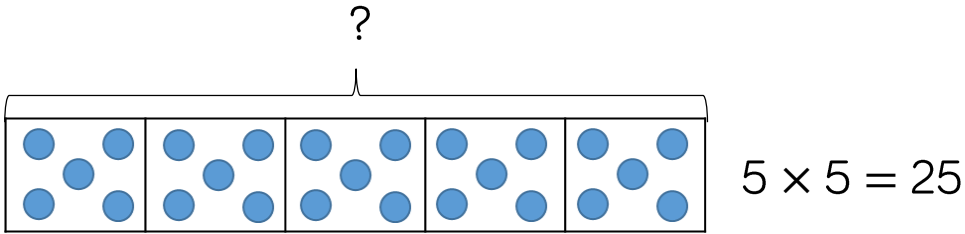
H	T	O
	3	4
x		5
	1	7
		0
	1	2

Teachers may decide to first look at the expanded column method before moving on to the short multiplication method.

The place value counters should be used to support the understanding of the method rather than supporting the multiplication as children should use times table knowledge.

There is an overview of skills linked to year groups to support consistency through out school. A glossary of terms is provided at the end of the calculation policy to support understanding of the key language used to teach the four operations.

Bar Model



Benefits

Children can use the single bar model to represent multiplication as repeated addition. They could use counters, cubes or dots within the bar model to support calculation before moving on to placing digits into the bar model to represent the multiplication.

Division can be represented by showing the total of the bar model and then dividing the bar model into equal groups.

It is important when solving word problems that the bar model represents the problem.

Sometimes, children may look at scaling problems. In this case, more than one bar model is useful to represent this type of problem, e.g. There are 3 girls in a group. There are 5 times more boys than girls. How many boys are there?

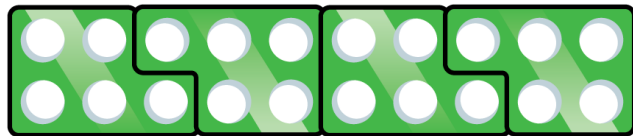
The multiple bar model provides an opportunity to compare the groups.

Number Shapes



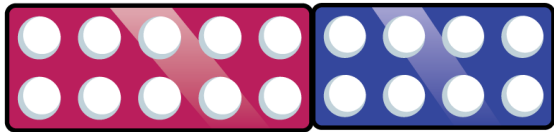
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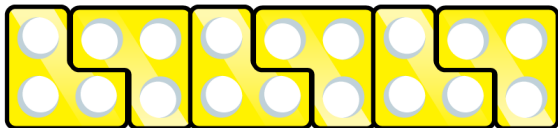


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$$18 \div 3 = 6$$



Benefits

Number shapes support children's understanding of multiplication as repeated addition.

Children can build multiplications in a row using the number shapes. When using odd numbers, encourage children to interlock the shapes so there are no gaps in the row. They can then use the tens number shapes along with other necessary shapes over the top of the row to check the total. Using the number shapes in multiplication can support children in discovering patterns of multiplication e.g. odd \times odd = even, odd \times even = odd, even \times even = even.

When dividing, number shapes support children's understanding of division as grouping. Children make the number they are dividing and then place the number shape they are dividing by over the top of the number to find how many groups of the number there are altogether e.g. There are 6 groups of 3 in 18.