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Unit 5, Lesson 2: Using Diagrams to Represent Addition and Subtraction

Let's represent addition and subtraction of decimals.

b. 0.1

2.1: Changing Values

1. Here is a rectangle.

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small square represents:

d. 0.001

2. Here is a square.

a. 1

What number does the square represent if each small rectangle represents: a. 10

What number does the rectangle represent if each

c. 0.01

b. 0.1

c. 0.00001

2.2: Squares and Rectangles

You may be familiar with base-ten blocks that represent ones, tens, and hundreds. Here are some diagrams that we will use to represent base-ten units.

- A large square represents 1 one.
- A medium rectangle represents 1 tenth.
- A medium square represents 1 hundredth.
- A small rectangle represents 1 thousandth.
- A small square represents 1 ten-thousandth.

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		0.1	
	1 one	0.01 hundredth	
		0.001 — thousandth	
		0.0001 • ten-thousandth	
1. Here is the Draw a diff Explain wh represent t	diagram that Priya c erent diagram that r y your diagram and I he same number.	lrew to represent 0.13. epresents 0.13. Priya's diagram	

2. Here is the diagram that Han drew to represent0.025. Draw a different diagram that represents0.025. Explain why your diagram and Han's diagram represent the same number.

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3. For each number, draw or describe two different diagrams that represent it.

a. 0.1 b. 0.02 c. 0.004

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4. Use diagrams of base-ten units to represent each sum. Think about how you could use as few units as possible to represent each number.

a. 0.03 + 0.05

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c. 0.4 + 0.7

b. 0.006 + 0.007

2.3: Finding Sums in Different Ways

1. Here are two ways to calculate the value of 0.26 + 0.07. In the diagram, each rectangle represents 0.1 and each square represents 0.01.



Use what you know about base-ten units and addition to explain:

- a. Why ten squares can be "bundled" into a rectangle.
- b. How this "bundling" is reflected in the computation.

2. Find the value of 0.38 + 0.69 by drawing a diagram. Can you find the sum without bundling? Would it be useful to bundle some pieces? Explain your reasoning.

- 3. Calculate 0.38 + 0.69. Check your calculation against your diagram in the previous question.
- 4. Find each sum. The larger square represents 1, the larger rectangle represents 0.1, the smaller square represents 0.01, and the smaller rectangle represents 0.001. a.



Are you ready for more?

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A distant, magical land uses jewels for their bartering system. The jewels are valued and ranked in order of their rarity. Each jewel is worth 3 times the jewel immediately below it in the ranking. The ranking is red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet. So a red jewel is worth 3 orange jewels, a green jewel is worth 3 blue jewels, and so on.

1. If you had 500 violet jewels and wanted to trade so that you carried as few jewels as

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possible, which jewels would you have?

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 Suppose you have 1 orange jewel, 2 yellow jewels, and 1 indigo jewel. If you're given
 2 green jewels and 1 yellow jewels, what is the fewest number of jewels that could represent the value of the jewels you have?

2.4: Representing Subtraction

Here are the diagrams you used to represent ones, tenths, hundredths, thousandths, and ten-thousandths.



1. Here are diagrams that represent differences. Removed pieces are marked with Xs. For each diagram, write a numerical subtraction expression and determine the value of the expression.



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	2. Express each subtraction in words.			
	a. 0.05 – 0.02			

b. 0.024 - 0.003

c. 1.26 - 0.14

3. Find each difference by drawing a diagram and by calculating with numbers. Make sure the answers from both methods match. If not, check your diagram and your numerical calculation.

a. 0.05 - 0.02

b. 0.024 - 0.003

c. 1.26 – 0.14

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Lesson 2 Summary

Base-ten diagrams represent collections of base-ten units—tens, ones, tenths, hundredths, etc. We can use them to help us understand sums of decimals.

Here is a diagram of 0.008 and 0.013, where a square represents 0.001 and a rectangle (made up of ten squares) represents 0.01.



To find the sum, we can "bundle" (or compose) 10 thousandths as 1 hundredth.



Here is a diagram of the sum, which shows 2 hundredths and 1 thousandth.

0.021	

We can use vertical calculation to find 0.008 + 0.013. Notice that here 10 thousandths are also bundled (or composed) as 1 hundredth.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1 \\
 0.0 \ 1 \ 3 \\
 + \ 0.0 \ 0 \ 8 \\
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 0.0 \ 2 \ 1
\end{array}$$