## Key concepts and questions

## What is subtraction?

- Subtraction is taking a number or quantity away.
- Unlike addition, subtraction cannot be done in any order, the whole must always come at the start and the part is subtracted from it.

- This shows 15-4
- It does not show $4-15$, the whole is 15 so this is the only number that can be subtracted from.

Key Vocabulary

| subtract | To take away |  |  |  |  |
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| subtraction <br> calculation | The subtraction number sentence using the - sign <br> $17-5=12$ |  |  |  |  |
| count back | Counting backwards from a given number |  |  |  |  |
| difference | The difference between a given whole and a part. <br> The difference between 8 and 5 is 3. |  |  |  |  |
| partition | To split a number into smaller parts. |  |  |  |  |
| ones | The number of ones in a <br> number. |  |  |  |  |
| tens | The number of tens in a <br> numbers. | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |  |  |

## Representations



Numberlines


Base 10 and Place Value Charts


This shows
$67-40=27$

## Making connections

Subtraction and addition link
If you know 20-15 = 5
You also know 20-5 = 15
And you know $5+15=20$
15
5
And that $15+5=20$

## Known facts

Use subtraction facts you know to solve similar calculations.

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\text { so } \quad 70-20=50
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