

I can add and subtract mentally

In upper Key Stage 2, the mathematical problems children are expected to solve grow ever more complex and so the ability to add and subtract using mental methods becomes ever more important. This term, please help your child develop these mental skills by encouraging them to:

* Calculate the cost of two or more items when shopping
* Calculate the amount of change due when paying for things with notes
* Playing some of the quick-fire mental maths games suggested below
* Create their own games eg Quickest to answer, What goes with eg 34 to make 100 (or bigger number)

For different strategies, see:

<https://www.homeschoolmath.net/teaching/a/subtract_mentally_2_digit.php>

<https://www.homeschoolmath.net/teaching/a/adding_2_digit.php>

For online games, see:

 <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/subtraction-grids>

 <https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/math/addition/fruit-splat-game/>

 <https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/category/9/addition-and-subtraction>

 <https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/573/Birds-v-Robots-Maths-Battle>

Top Tips:

[https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/ks2-maths-mental-addition-&-subtraction/zj9pwty](https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/ks2-maths-mental-addition-%26-subtraction/zj9pwty)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z4q6pg8>

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**Key Instant Recall Facts**

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