
20. Rounding off, from Level 3 Application of Number, www.educoot.org

## Rounding Off

## What is rounding off?

Rounding means making a number simpler but keeping its value close to what it was. The result is less accurate, but easier to use. Example: 73 rounded to the nearest ten is 70, because 73 is closer to 70 than to 80.

## When do we use rounding off in everyday life?

- To do calculations in our heads, e.g. when we are shopping, when we go to a take-away, when we go to the pub, etc. Rounding means we can have an idea what we will pay in each case.
- To get an estimate, e.g. if we were discussing census results, we may round off so that numbers are not so complicated.

Many people use rounding in everyday situations because it is usually easier and more understandable to say a rounded number than to say an exact value.

## Example:

$23 \underline{5}$ to the nearest 10 is 240
(If the units digit is 5 or above, it goes up to the next ten. If the units digit is under 5 , go down to the same ten.)

1. Circle the units in each of these numbers:

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3. Revise: Write these numbers into the correct columns. Look at the example.
a) 329
b) 82
c) 15
d) 964
e) 73
f) 510
g) 29
h) 806
i) 400
i) 191

Example: 681

| Hundreds | Tens | Units |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| a) |  |  |
| b) |  |  |
| c) |  |  |
| d) |  |  |
| e) |  |  |
| f) |  |  |
| g) |  |  |
| h) |  |  |
| i) |  |  |
| i) |  |  |

3. Underline the units in each number. Round the numbers to the nearest 10:
a) 465
e) 834 $\qquad$
b) 945
f) 391 $\qquad$
c) 902
g) 498 $\qquad$
d) 123 $\qquad$ h) 854 $\qquad$
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5. Read the ingredients for carrot cake. Round the underlined amounts to the nearest 10.

Carrot Cake

- 265 g chopped pecan nuts $\qquad$
- 312g brown sugar $\qquad$
- 103g white sugar

- $\underline{246 \mathrm{ml}}$ melted coconut oil $\qquad$
- 4 large eggs
- 133 g smooth applesauce $\qquad$
- 7 ml vanilla essence $\qquad$
- 314g flour $\qquad$

- 11 ml baking powder $\qquad$
- 2 ml salt $\qquad$
- 8 ml ground cinnamon $\qquad$
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 269g grated carrots $\qquad$


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## Rounding to the nearest 100

If the tens digit is 5 or above, it goes up to the next hundred. If the tens digit is under 5, go down to the same hundred.

## Example:

678 to the nearest 100 is 700
Look at the tens' column - it's 5 or above, so it goes up to the next hundred 700
5. Underline the tens in each number. Round the numbers to the nearest 100:
a) 125 $\qquad$
b) 96 $\qquad$
c) 919 $\qquad$
d) 728
e) 53 $\qquad$
f) 353 $\qquad$

g) 980 $\qquad$
h) 263 $\qquad$
6. Round the numbers to the nearest 100 :

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## Rounding to the nearest 1000

If the hundreds digit is 5 or above, it goes up to the next thousand. If the hundreds digit is under 5 , go down to the same thousand.

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Example:
6,782 to the nearest 1,000 is 7,000
Look at the hundreds' column - it's 5 or above, so it goes up to the next
thousand - 7,000
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7. Write these numbers into the correct columns. Look at the example.
a) 4892
b) 2681
c) 9045
d) 3170
e) 2003
f) 7000
g) 8391
h) 999
i) 5906
i) 1001

Example: 1592

|  | Thousands | Hundreds | Tens | Units |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 5 | 9 | 2 |
| a) |  |  |  |  |
| b) |  |  |  |  |
| c) |  |  |  |  |
| d) |  |  |  |  |
| e) |  |  |  |  |
| f) |  |  |  |  |
| g) |  |  |  |  |
| h) |  |  |  |  |
| i) |  |  |  |  |
| i) |  |  |  |  |

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21. Write these numbers to the nearest 1000 :
a) 1107
e) 2238
b) 7893
f) 2935
c) 8345
g) 1469
d) 4688
h) 9284 $\qquad$
22. You are having a barbecue for about 35 people. Round off the numbers to the nearest 1000 :
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FOOD AND DRINK
FOR THE BARBECUE
\(\Longrightarrow\) a) 3750 g minced beef for burgers
\(\Longrightarrow\) b) \(2,975 \mathrm{~g}\) steak
\(\Rightarrow\) c) \(7,360 \mathrm{~g}\) sausages
\(\Longrightarrow\) d) 4535 g of potatoes for potato salad
\(\Leftrightarrow\) e) 5072 ml beer
\(\Leftrightarrow\) f) 6800 ml wine
\(\Leftrightarrow\) g) 9100 ml juice
\(\Leftrightarrow\) h) 8932 g ice
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a) $\qquad$
b)
c)
d)
e) $\qquad$
f) $\qquad$
g) _-_-_-_-_-_-_-_
h)
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## When rounding larger numbers....

If you are rounding to the nearest 10 , you look at the units. If you are rounding to the nearest 100, you look at the tens' column, etc.

So, you always look at the column just before the number you wish to round to.

So, if you want to round to the nearest ten thousand (10000), then you look at the thousands' column. If the number is 5 or above, you go up to the next ten thousand. If the number is below, you go down to the same ten thousand.
Similarly, if you want to round to the nearest million, you will look at the hundred thousand column!

## Example:

2675105 to the nearest million
Look at the hundred thousand' column - it's 5 or above, so it goes up to the next million - 3000000
2. Round these numbers to the nearest million:
a) 8935514
b) 1215081
c) 6875834
d) 108671
e) 798008


## Rounding to the nearest euro

Round down for a euro amount that has 0 to 49 cents. For example, €89.27 rounds down to €89.

Round up for euro amounts that have 50 to 99 cents. For example, $€ 53.52$ rounds up to $€ 54$.
11. Circle the cents in these amounts. Draw a $\uparrow$ if it will round up and draw a $\downarrow$ if it will round down to the nearest euro.

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12. Round these euro amounts to the nearest euro:
a) $€ 58.42$
g) $€ 7.59$ $\qquad$
b) $€ 3.76$ $\qquad$
c) $€ 73.91$ $\qquad$
d) $€ 14.85$ $\qquad$
e) $€ 24.84$ $\qquad$
f) $€ 8.50$ $\qquad$
h) $€ 43.29$
i) $€ 99.47$
i) $€ 1.63$ $\qquad$
k) $€ 4.35$ $\qquad$
l) $€ 6.12$ $\qquad$

1. Round off these prices and give an estimate for the total cost:

2. Jackie bakes cakes and sells them. The selling price of each cake is $€ 10.46$. She rounds the cost of each cake to the nearest euro for her customers. What does she charge her customers per cake? $\qquad$
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4. Work out these rounding problems.
a) A restaurant manager rounds the numbers of meals served in one year to 36000 meals.
Which could be the number of meals served if the manager rounded to the nearest thousand?


Choose all answers that apply:
$\square 36,400$
$\square 35,800$
$\square 36,700$
b) A café nearby served 64,436 coffees in one year. Round the number of coffees to the nearest thousand.
coffees
c) A bakery rounds the number of kilograms of flour used to 800,000 grams.


Which could be the number of kilograms of flour rounded to the nearest hundred thousand?

Choose all answers that apply:
ロ775, 612
$\square 849,212$
$\square 851,000$
d) You have 735 ml of milk to make pancakes. Round this to the nearest ten.
$\square 700 \mathrm{ml}$
$\square 800 \mathrm{ml}$
$\square 740 \mathrm{ml}$

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e) It takes about 2179 seconds to make the stew. What is this time rounded to the nearest hundred?
$\square 2100$ seconds
$\square 2300$ seconds
$\square 2200$ seconds
$\square 2700$ seconds

f) The shop sold 429 cartons of milk yesterday morning. about how many cartons of milk were sold? Round to the nearest ten.
$\square$
420
$\square \quad 400$
$\square$
300
$\square$
430
g) Which number does NOT round to 200 when it is rounded to the nearest hundred?
$\square 162$
$\square 235$
$\square 175$
$\square 253$
h) My recipe book is 1287 pages long. About how many pages is this? Round to the nearest thousand.
$\square 1290$
$\square 1300$
$\square 1000$

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i) The first week, my shopping cost $€ 96$ and the second week it was $€ 107$. About how much did I spend in the two weeks?
$\square € 100$
$\square € 150$
$\square € 200$
i) There are 84 biscuits in one tin. How many biscuits are there, rounded to the nearest ten?

16. Round the numbers in these situations below. You can choose whether you want to round it to the nearest unit, 10, 100, 1000, etc.
In brackets, write what you rounded it to.

## Example: $172^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \rightarrow 200^{\circ} \mathrm{C}(100)$

a) I boiled the egg for 19.65 minutes!
b) Bake the pie for about 47 minutes.
c) I used 389 g of cocoa for the chocolate cake.
d) I spent $€ 213$ on grocery shopping.
e) The town had a population of 10,427 .
f) The restaurant bill was $€ 74.99$.
g) The waitress worked for 185 minutes.
h) There are 14,641 boxes in the warehouse.
i) The sandwich bar sold 505 sandwiches.
i) The parking garage has spaces for 8,952 cars.
k) I am forty-nine years, two months and seven days, old.
I) The big bag of sugar weighs 22.8 kg .
m)The farmer had 6,275 chickens.
n) The recipe makes 23 muffins.
o) You made 812 ml of fruit smoothie.
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17. Complete the crossword:

## ACROSS



3 Round 105845 to the nearest 1000
5 Round 5856265 to the nearest 10
6 Round 234899 to the nearest 10000

## DOWN

1 Round 4532 to the nearest 100
2 Round 7762441 to the nearest 1000000
4 Round 9508 to the nearest 10

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