## 3-5 Adding and Subtracting Decimals

## EXAMPLES Add and Subtract Decimals

## Main IDEA

- Add and subtract decimals.


## Review It

Explain how to estimate the sum of two decimals using rounding. (Lesson 3-4)
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(1) Find the sum of $\mathbf{7 5 . 6}$ and 21.3.

Estimate $75.6+21.3 \approx 76+\square$ or $\square \longleftarrow$
75.6 Line up the decimal points.
$+21.3$
$\square$

Compare the answer to the estimate. The answer is reasonable.

The sum of 75.6 and 21.3 is


2 Find $10.756-6.238$.
Estimate $10.756-6.238 \approx \square-6$ or $\square$
10.756 Line up the decimal points.
$-6.238$


So, $10.756-6.238=$ $\square$
Check for Reasonableness: $4.518 \approx 5$

## Check Your Progress

a. Find the sum of 34.6 and 53.2.

b. Find 24.758 - 18.315.

## EXAMPIE Annex Zeros

## WRITE IT

Explain in your own words how to find the difference between a whole number and a decimal.
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## FOLDABLES

## ORGANIZE IT

Under Lesson 3-5 of your Foldable, write a few sentences explaining how adding and subtracting decimals is like adding and subtracting whole numbers.


Check Your Progress
Find $9-3.28$.

## EXAMPL $=$

## 3 Find $8-1.74$.

Estimate 8-1.74 $\square$ - $\square$ or $\square$
8.00 Annex zeros so that both numbers have the $-1.74$ same place value.


So, $8-1.74=\square$. Check for Reasonableness: $6.26 \approx 6$
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4) WORLD RECORDS The table shows the diameters of three of the largest food items ever created. What is the difference, in meters, between the world's largest pizza and the largest pancake?

| Largest Food Items |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| Food | Country | Diameter <br> (meters) |
| pizza | South Africa | 37.4 |
| pecan pie | United States | 15.24 |
| pancake | United <br> Kingdom | 15.01 |

Source: Guinness World Records

Estimate 37.4-15.01 $\approx$ $\square$
$\square$ or $\square$ 37.40 Line up the decimal points. Annex a zero. $-15.01$
$\square$ Subtract as with whole numbers.

The largest pizza is $\square$ meters larger than the largest pancake.
Check for Reasonableness: $22.39 \approx 22$

Check Your Progress
MOVIES The local movie theater sells an average of 65.8 tickets on Thursdays and an average of 288.9 tickets on Saturdays. How many more tickets are sold on Saturdays?

## EXAMPLE Evaluate an Expression

## Review It

What is an algebraic expression? How do you evaluate an algebraic expression? (Lesson 1-5)
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Homework Assignment

## Page(s):

Exercises:

ALGEBRA Evaluate $a-b$ if $a=10.75$ and $b=4.8$.
$a-b=10.75-4.8$ Replace $a$ with 10.75 and $b$ with 4.8.
Estimate $10.75-4.8 \approx \square-\square$ or $\square$
10.75

$-4.80$


Annex a


Subtract as with $\square$ numbers.

The value is $\square$ Check for Reasonableness: $5.95 \approx 6$

## Check Your Progress

ALGEBRA Evaluate $m+n$ if $m=40.62$ and $n=29.51$.


