

Year 4 Free Trial

Topics - Maths: Place Value

English: It's or Its?

Hints: Place value helps us determine the value of numbers.



Our number system has digits only from 0 through to 9, but we often need to use numbers greater than 9. We show numbers greater than 9 by using place value, which means that the value of a digit is determined by its place in the entire number.

The word *it's* is always short for 'it is' (e.g. *it's* raining), or for 'it has' (e.g. *it's* got six legs).

The word *its* means 'belonging to it' (e.g. hold *its* head still while I jump on *its* back).

Monday

1) a) Rearrange the digits in 73 092 to make the largest number possible

Answer: _____

b) Write down the value of the 8 in the number 28 293.

Answer: _____

c) Write down the value of the 5 in the number 78.54

Answer: _____

2) Use either *it's* or *its* to complete each sentence correctly.

a) _____ going to rain tomorrow.

b) "Obviously _____ got no chance," moaned Stefan.

c) The dog wagged _____ tail.



Challenge

Here are four digits.

7 3 9 2

Put a digit in each box to make the smallest total possible. You may only use each digit once.

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Write down the total.

Answer: _____

Tuesday

1) a) Write down the value of the 2 in the number 6 729.

Answer: _____

b) Ewen writes down the number 45 892. He then adds two hundreds onto this number to make a new number. What was Ewen's new number?

Answer: _____

2) Tick the sentences that use **it's** or **its** correctly.

- a) *The team changed its name after their best player left.*
- b) *Sometimes its hard to lose graciously.*
- c) *It's got webbed feet, just like a duck's.*
- d) *I believe its going to snow tomorrow!*



Challenge

Using **it's** or **its** is never a problem when people are talking. Why is this never a problem?

Wednesday

1) a) Circle the smallest number below.

- 4 893 4 779 4 802 4 739 4 729

b) Olivia is catching a plane. Her luggage weighs 22.09kg. How many of these airlines would let her take her luggage on the plane?



Airline	Maximum luggage weight (kg)
Fly Furious	22.2
Air Kings	22.14
Nice Flights	22.1
Fun Flying	22.06
On Time Airways	21.98

Answer: _____

2) Use either **it's** or **its** to complete each sentence correctly.

- a) _____ ears are all floppy but _____ really friendly .
- b) "Look at _____ sharp teeth," observed Francesco.
- c) "It looks like _____ broken," said Piotr, "we should have glued _____ head on better."

Challenge

What is the value of the 8 in the number 287 097 131? Write your answer in words.

Answer: _____

Thursday

1) a) Write down the value of the 4 in the number 6.24

Answer: _____

b) Circle the number below that is exactly halfway between 6.4 and 7.8

- 7.4 7.1 6.9 7.2 7.0

2) Tick the sentences that use **it's** or **its** correctly.



- a) "Its certainly healed well," beamed Mr Cook.
- b) London is famous for it's theatres.
- c) The donkey threw its rider off as it trotted along the beach.
- d) The shop empties it's trash round the back.

Challenge

It's or its? Try this quiz. Can you score 10 out of 10?
Hint: Get an adult to help you type the address if you need to.



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Friday

1) a) Which of the numbers below has a 3 in the tenths place? Circle the correct answer.

- 37.8 7.23 803 46.3 304.2

b) Write the number 67 098 using words.

Answer: _____



2) Use either **it's** or **its** to complete each sentence correctly.

- a) "We need to support _____ back," said Graham.
- b) "Go to _____ home and look at how _____ changed," he suggested.
- c) "_____ got to happen soon," said Gillian, "otherwise _____ wheels will stop working."

Challenge

Which of these pairs of numbers are the same distance from 17? Circle the correct answer.

- 16.33 & 17.67 16.25 & 17.25 16.28 & 17.82 16.63 & 17.33 16.35 & 17.55

Weekend

After Week 1, the Weekend will always go back to topics already done in the past weeks. This reinforces the learning, thus reducing the likelihood of important skills being forgotten over time.



Answers Year 4 Free Trial

Monday

1a) 97 320

1b) 8 thousand (8,000)

1c) 5 tenths (0.5)

2) a) *It's going to rain tomorrow.*

b) *"Obviously it's got no chance," moaned Stefan.*

c) *The dog wagged its tail.*

Challenge: $39+27$ or $29+37$ Total=66

Tuesday

1a) 2 tens (20)

1b) 46 092

2) These sentences should have been ticked:

a) *The team changed its name after their best player left.*

c) *It's got webbed feet, just like a duck's.*

Challenge:

This is never a problem because **it's** and **its** sound exactly the same.

Wednesday

1a) 4 729

1b) 3 airlines (Fly Furious, Air Kings and Nice Flights)

2) a) *Its ears are all floppy but it's really friendly.*

b) *"Look at its sharp teeth," observed Francesco.*

c) *"It looks like it's broken," said Piotr, "we should have glued its head on better."*

Challenge: eighty million

Thursday

1a) 4 hundredths (0.04)

1b) 7.1

2) This sentence should have been ticked:

c) *The donkey threw its rider off as it trotted along the beach.*

Friday

1a) 46.3

1b) sixty-seven thousand and ninety-eight

2) a) *"We need to support its back," said Graham.*

b) *"Go to its home and look at how it's changed," he suggested.*

c) *"It's got to happen soon," said Gillian, "otherwise its wheels will stop working."*

Challenge: 16.33 & 17.67