# Year 5: Week 2, Day 2 <br> Decimals: Rounding to the nearest tenth and whole 

Each day covers one maths topic. It should take you about 1 hour or just a little more.

1. Start by reading through the Learning Reminders. They come from our PowerPoint slides.

2. Tackle the questions on the Practice Sheet. There might be a choice of either Mild (easier) or Hot (harder)!
Check the answers.

3. Finding it tricky? That's OK... have a go with a grown-up at A Bit Stuck?

4. Have I mastered the topic? A few questions to Check your understanding.
Fold the page to hide the answers!

## Learning Reminders

Round 1-place decimals to the nearest whole.
I've marked on 4.6


Learning Reminders

Round 2-place decimals to the nearest tenth or whole.
I've marked on 3.43


Do you see how the nearest whole number is 3 , not 4?

- If we want to round 3.43 to the nearest tenth, look at the tenths numbers on either side... 3.4 and 3.5.
- How far along is 3.43 between 3.40 and 3.50?
- Not halfway (that would be 3.45 ) so it rounds down to 3.4.


## Learning Reminders

Place numbers with $\mathbf{2}$ decimal places on a line; round to the nearest tenth or whole.


## Practice Sheet Mild Placing and rounding decimals

Mark the numbers in the table on the line. Then round them to the nearest tenth and whole number.

|  | 1 | T | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3 |


| Number | Nearest tenth | Nearest whole |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.49 |  |  |
| 2.25 |  |  |
| 2.05 |  |  |
| 2.53 |  |  |
| 2.94 |  |  |
| 2.06 |  |  |
| 2.31 |  |  |
| 2.86 |  |  |
| 2.75 |  |  |
| 2.17 |  |  |

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## Practice Sheet Hot <br> Placing and rounding decimals

Mark the numbers in the table on the line. Then round them to the nearest tenth and whole number. What other marks or numbers could you put on the line to help you?

$$
\begin{array}{|cc|}
\hline 2 & 2.5 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$

| Number | Nearest tenth | Nearest whole |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.49 |  |  |
| 2.78 |  |  |
| 2.25 |  |  |
| 2.53 |  |  |
| 2.94 |  |  |
| 2.06 |  |  |
| 2.31 |  |  |
| 2.86 |  |  |
| 2.65 |  |  |

## Challenge

Mark the following numbers on the line:
a) The smallest 2-place decimal that rounds up to 2.5 as the nearest tenth.
b) The largest 2-place decimal that rounds down to 3 as the nearest whole.
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## Practice Sheets Answers

Placing and rounding decimals (mild)


| Number | Nearest tenth | Nearest whole |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 2.49 | 2.5 | 2 |
| 2.25 | 2.3 | 2 |
| 2.05 | 2.1 | 2 |
| 2.53 | 2.5 | 3 |
| 2.94 | 2.9 | 3 |
| 2.06 | 2.1 | 2 |
| 2.31 | 2.3 | 2 |
| 2.86 | 2.9 | 3 |
| 2.75 | 2.8 | 2 |
| 2.17 | 2.2 |  |

Placing and rounding decimals (hot)


| Number | Nearest tenth | Nearest whole |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 2.49 | 2.5 | 2 |
| 2.78 | 2.8 | 3 |
| 2.25 | 2.3 | 2 |
| 2.53 | 2.5 | 3 |
| 2.94 | 2.9 | 3 |
| 2.06 | 2.1 | 2 |
| 2.31 | 2.3 | 2 |
| 2.86 | 2.9 | 3 |
| 2.65 | 2.7 | 2 |
| 2.17 | 2.2 |  |

## Challenge

a.) 2.44
b.) 2.49

## A Bit Stuck? Mark and round

Work in pairs, but write on your own sheet

## What to do:

- Shuffle the digit cards. Turn them face down.
Take the top two cards and make a number with one decimal place, e.g. take 6 and 4 to make 6.4.
- Mark this number on the line.
- Round this number to the nearest whole number.
- Repeat.
- When all the cards have been used, shuffle them and place face down. That way you can keep playing.
- How many numbers can you mark and round before time is up?

Things you will need:

- 0 to 9 digit cards
- A pencil




## S-t-r-e-t-c-h:

Think of two numbers between 4 and 5 , one which rounds down to 4 and one which rounds up to 5 .

## Learning outcomes:

- I can mark numbers with one decimal place on a marked number line.
- I can round numbers with one decimal place to the nearest whole.
- I am beginning to solve problems involving rounding to the nearest whole.
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## Check your understanding

## Questions

## What number am I? (three clues for just one number - guess after each clue) <br> A

(i) I round to 5.6 as the nearest tenth.
(ii) I round to 6 as the nearest whole number.
(iii) My digital root is 6 .

B
(i) I round to 3.5 as the nearest tenth.
(ii) I round to 3 as the nearest whole number.
(iii) My digits are consecutive.

Sam wrote:
2.49 rounds to 3 as the nearest whole number because 2.49 rounds to 2.5 as the nearest tenth, and 2.5 rounds up to 3 as the nearest whole number.

Explain why his reasoning is incorrect.

## Check your understanding <br> Answers

## What number am I? (three clues for just one number - guess after each clue)

A
(i) I round to 5.6 as the nearest tenth.
(ii) I round to 6 as the nearest whole number.
(iii) My digital root is 6 . 5.55 or 5.64

B
(i) I round to 3.5 as the nearest tenth.
(ii) I round to 3 as the nearest whole number.
(iii) My digits are consecutive.

## Sam wrote:

2.49 rounds to 3 as the nearest whole number because 2.49 rounds to 2.5 as the nearest tenth, and 2.5 rounds up to 3 as the nearest whole number.

Explain why his reasoning is incorrect.
This is a common misunderstanding. To round 2.49 to the nearest whole, the original number must be used. It can be checked on a number line that 2.49 is closer to (and therefore rounds to) 3 not 4 .

