## Using Place Value to Divide Multi-Digit Numbers

Check out the "Parent Quick Smarts" videos for this unit by using the links: https://goo.gl/2Lo8fi and https://goo.gl/FT3yGh


[^0]Grade 4

Use strategies based on place value to determine quotients with 1-digit divisors. (Note: Although the traditional algorithm of long division may be introduced in $4^{\text {th }}$ grade, students are not expected to master this algorithm until middle school.)

Students subtract larger multiples of the divisor to determine the quotient. Then record the steps as an equation using the "Distributive Property."

Example: $966 \div 7$
Partial Quotients
$7 \longdiv { 9 6 6 }$
$\frac{-700}{266} \times(109$
$\frac{-210}{56} \times(30)+8$
$\frac{-56}{138}$
$\frac{30}{0}$

| 8 |
| ---: |
| 38 |
| 130 |
| 7966 |
| -700 |
| $-\frac{760}{266}$ |
| $-\frac{210}{56}$ |
| -56 |
| 0 |

Use basic facts, multiples and place value to justify the most reasonable estimation of a quotient. Note: This estimation strategy is also described as using "compatible numbers."

## Example:

Estimate the quotient of $142 \div 6$.
Think: Using basic facts, I know that $6 \times 20=120$ and $6 \times 30$ is 180 . Since 142 is closer to 120,20 is the more reasonable estimate.

Distributive Property
$966 \div 7=(700 \div 7)+(210 \div 7)+(56 \div 7)=100+30+8=138$ quotients.

## Use estimation and/or multiplication to determine reasonableness of

- Using a spinner, dice or cards create or pose different division problems with 1-digit divisors for your child to solve using partial quotients by subtracting larger multiples of the divisor.
- Khan Academy: Division Using Place Value https://goo.gl/ve85qJ
- When your child solves any division problem, having them use estimation before solving to determine reasonableness of the answer. After they have determined the quotient, have them use multiplication to check their answer.
- Video: Estimate the Quotients Using Multiples https://goo.g//KGTY14


[^0]:    For more information on the learning goals and your child's progress, please contact your child's teacher.

