


## Mental Methods

## Number/fact families:

Using knowledge of inverse:
If $23+31=54$
Then $54-23=31$

## Counting on/up:

(for small differences between numbers)
$34-28=6$
$28+2=30$
$30+4=34$
$2+4=6$
Counting back:
$56-17=39$
$56-10=46$
$46-6=40$
40-1 = 39
Equivalent differences:
$56-39$ is the same as $57-40=17$

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Partitioning:
45-23
40-20=20; 5-3 =2; 20 + 2 = 22
Adjusting:
36-9 +1 to both sides to give:
37-10=27
45-19 +1 to both sides to give:
46-20=26
Using known facts and place value:
68-5
If 8-5 = 3 then 68-5 = 63
70-30
If 7-3=4 then 70-30=40
Inverse/missing number:
41+__= 56
    +}+13=4
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