Reminder sheet

Mental method

Use a mental method if you can and write the answer straight down.

Written method

- 2 Write down an estimate of the answer.
- 3 Set out the division on squared paper using the layout
- Label the columns with H T U for numbers up to 999, leaving space for your answer. Use Th for thousands. Miss out the labels if you are confident.
- **5** Write the digits in the correct columns.
- Start dividing into the highest place-value (the highest digit is on the left). If the digit is too small, take the first two digits instead.
- 7 Write your answer in the same column above the line.
- Repeat these four steps **a** to **d**, working through the digits from the highest to the lowest (from right to left).
 - a divide by the divisor
 - **b** answer is written above the line
 - c subtract below the line to find the remainder
 - **d** bring down the next digit.

Remember

Divide

Answer

Subtract

Bring down

- If you have a remainder when you divide, carry the remainder into the next column on the right.
- If you have a remainder when you have finished the division, then write it using the letter **r**.
- Later, you can write the final remainder as a fraction or decimal instead of using the letter **r**.
- Compare your answer with your estimate. Does the answer look the right size?