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Helping your child with division

Fourth Class

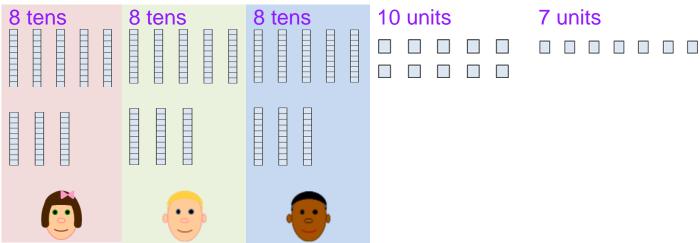
When your child is in fourth class he/she will learn to do short division as sharing. This tip sheet shows you how your child might divide the number 257 by 3.

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• Let's pretend that we want to share 2 child might write this as: $3 257$	257 sweets equally between 3 children. Your
2 hundreds	5 tens 7 units
•	between the children. As I cannot share 2 I will exchange the 2 hundreds for 20 tens.
20 tens	5 tens 7 units
 In total I now have 25 tens to share. 	3 2 ² 57
 I share the 25 tens equally among the 	e 3 children. Each child gets 8 tens each.
(That uses up 24 of my tens). There is	8
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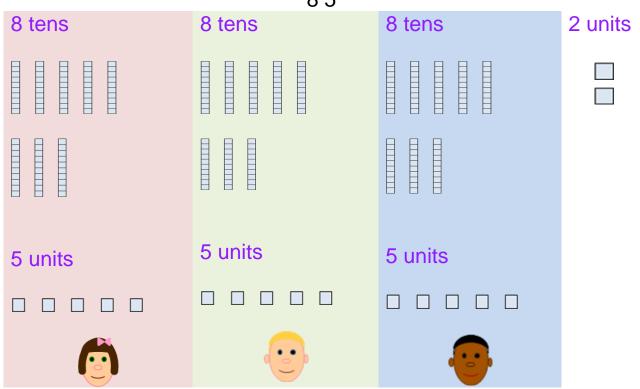
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• I can exchange the one remaining ten for 10 units. That gives me a total of 17 units that I now have to share. $3 2^2 5^1 7$



- If I share 17 units equally between the three children, each child gets 5 units each. (That uses up 15 of my units) and there are 2 units left over.
- Your child might write this as: $3 \frac{2^2 5^1 7}{25}$



• If I share 257 sweets equally between 3 children, each child gets 85 sweets with 2 sweets left over. This is called a remainder of 2.