

## How to tackle column subtraction

$$48 - 6 = \underline{\quad}$$

### How to do column subtraction:

1. Place the largest number on top.
2. Place the digits in the correct column.
3. Show the subtraction and equal sign.
4. **Subtract** the **top number** from the **bottom number** in the units column.
5. **Subtract** the **top number** from the **bottom number** in the tens column.

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|       | H | T | U |  |
|       |   | 4 | 8 |  |
| -     |   |   | 6 |  |
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|       |   | 4 | 2 |  |
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Now have a go:

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| 75 | - | 62 | = |  |
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| 86 | - | 44 | = |  |
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