051 Math Practice Adding Decimals

When you add decimals, you follow the rules for adding whole numbers. You also have to take the extra step of making sure the decimal points are lined up vertically. You do this to make sure you add tenths to tenths, hundredths to hundredths, and so on.

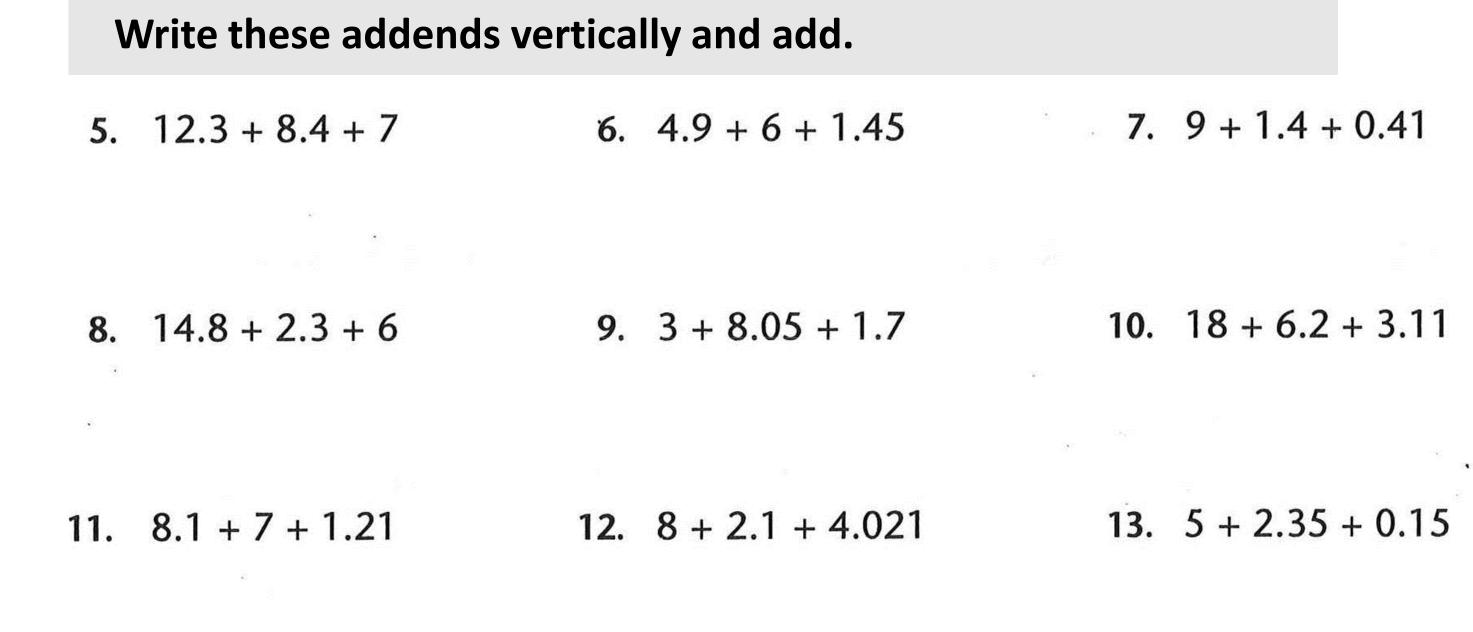
Example:	Find the sum of 2.83, 5, and 9.1.		
Step 1:	Write the decimal numerals in a vertical format with the decimal points in a vertical line.	2.83 5. ◀ 9.1	Remember: Every whole — number has a a decimal point.
Step 2:	Write zeros in all of the blank spaces, if you want, to help avoid confusion.	2.83 5. 00 <u>+ 9.10</u>	
Step 3:	Add.	2.83 5. 00 + 9.10	
		16.93	

Find the sums.

1.	2.8	2.	8	3.	1.26	4.	123.081	
	+ 3.56		9.2		0.83		20.16	1998
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052 Math Practice Subtracting Decimals

Subtracting decimals is just like subtracting whole numbers. You follow the same rules. Just as in addition, you have to make sure the decimal points are lined up vertically.

Note: When you subtract, write the "From" term on the top line. Write the "Subtract" term on the second line. Then subtract.

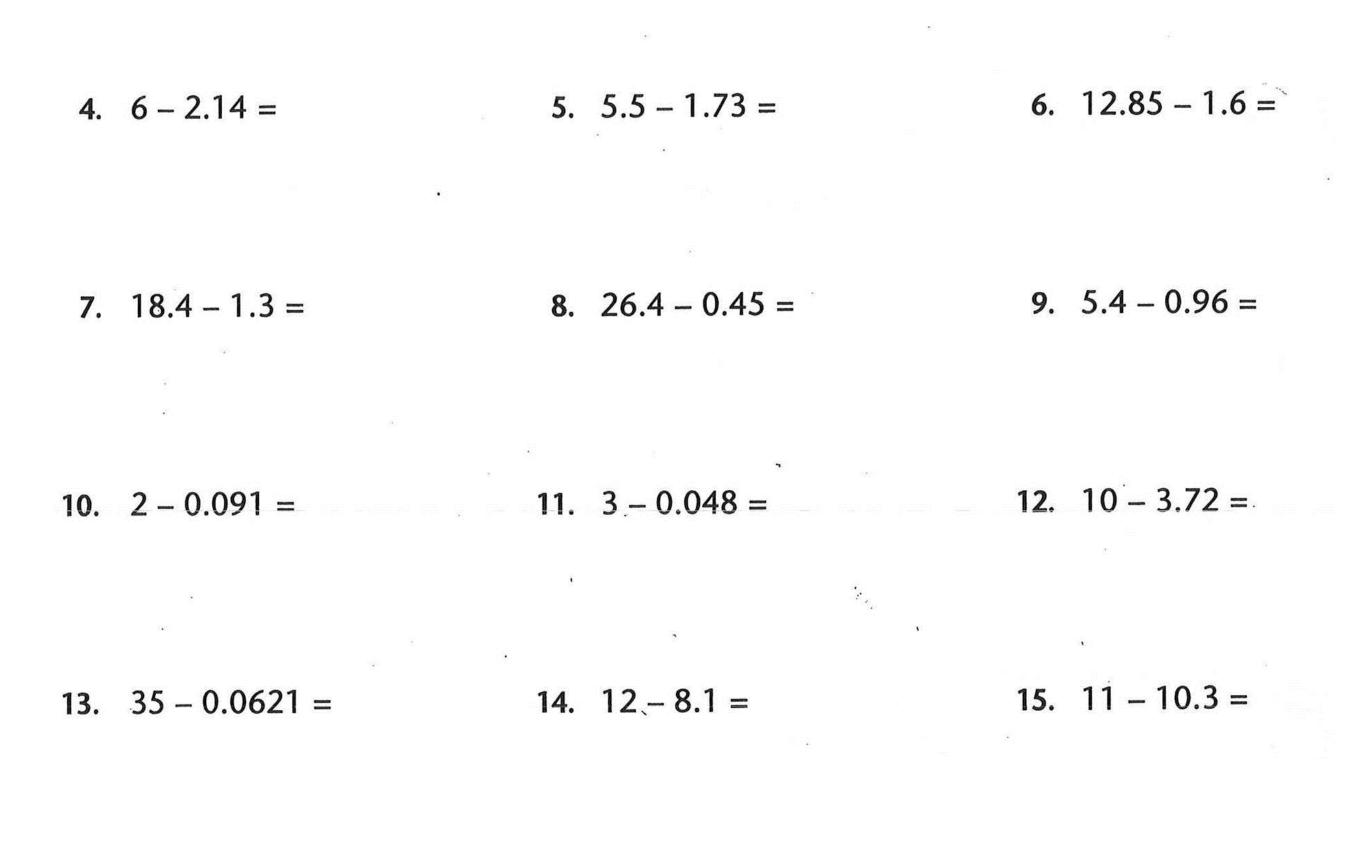
Example: From 16.2 subtract 1.83.

This means the same as 16.2 – 1.83.

Step 1:	Write the from term number first.	16.2
Step 2:	Write the number to be subtracted below the first number. Then insert zeros in the spaces and subtract.	16.20 - 1.83
		14.37

Write these subtraction problems in vertical form and subtract.

1.
$$18 - 16.25 =$$
2. $21.7 - 18.39 =$ 3. $35 - 4.8 =$



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