

Subtraction: Column Method

$$\begin{array}{r} 75 \\ - 48 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Place the numbers one on top of the other, lining up the tens and the ones.

$$\begin{array}{r} 75 \\ - 48 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Start by subtracting the ones (always start from the right-hand column). The answer to $5 - 8$ is negative.

$$\begin{array}{r} \overset{6}{\cancel{7}}\overset{1}{5} \\ - 48 \\ \hline 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Exchange a 10 from the 70 to give 15 ones. Subtract the ones: $15 - 8 = 7$

$$\begin{array}{r} \overset{6}{\cancel{7}}\overset{1}{5} \\ - 48 \\ \hline 27 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Subtract the tens: $60 - 40 = 20$

$$\begin{array}{r} \overset{6}{\cancel{7}}\overset{1}{5} \\ - 48 \\ \hline 27 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Check your answer.

