## Subtraction

## With at least 4-digit numbers

- Write one digit per square
- Write each digit in the correct place value column (Th, H, T O)
- Start subtracting the digits from the right
- Regroup from the column to the left if you need to (E.G In column subtraction, you can't do 4-7 so you exchange a ten from the tens column)
- Repeat until you get to the fumthest column left and have subtracted all digits.

Children working within band 5 should be secure with the written method for subtraction to allow them to use the abstract representation shown oppo-

Abstract


How we would solve this number sentence:
4 subtract 7, you can't do so regroup the 6 tens for 5 tens and 10 ones.
Write the I (ten) beside the 4 in the ones column. Now, complete 14 subtract 7
Write the answer (7) in the answer lines below
Move to the tens column
5 subtract 4
Write the answer ( 1 ) in the answer lines below Move to the hundreds column
7 subtract 3
Write the answer (4) in the answer lines below Move to the thousands column
2 subtract 5, you can't do so regroup the 4 ten thousands for 3 ten thousands and 10 thousands. Write the 1 (ten thousand) beside the 2 in the thousands column.
Now, complete 12 subtract 5
Write the answer (7) in the answer lines below Finally, complete 3 subtract 0 and Write the answer (3) in the answer lines below.

