1st Grade Math: Place Value Explanation for Numbers up to 40

**Place value** is a way to understand the value of each digit in a number, depending on where it is located in the number. For numbers up to **40**, place value helps us see how many **tens** and how many **ones** a number has.

### Key Concepts

- 1. Tens and Ones:
  - a. A number is made up of **tens** and **ones**.
  - b. The **tens place** tells us how many groups of ten there are.
  - c. The **ones place** tells us how many single units there are.

Example: The Number 32

Let's look at the number **32**:

- The 3 in 32 is in the tens place, so it means 3 groups of 10, which is 30.
- The 2 in 32 is in the ones place, so it means 2 single units.

So, 32 is the same as saying "30 and 2."

# **Place Value Chart**

We can use a place value chart to help us break down numbers.

Tens	Ones
3	2

This chart shows that 32 is made up of 3 tens and 2 ones.

#### Practice Example

Let's look at the number **27**:

- The 2 is in the tens place, which means 2 groups of ten = 20.
- The 7 is in the ones place, which means 7 single units = 7.

So, **27** is the same as **20 and 7**.

#### Using Base Ten Blocks

Another way to understand place value is by using **base ten blocks**:

- Tens blocks represent a group of 10.
- **Ones blocks** represent single units.

For the number **36**, you would have:

- 3 tens blocks (which makes 30)
- 6 ones blocks (which makes 6)

This shows **36** as **30 and 6**.

#### Summary

Place value helps us understand that numbers are made up of **tens** and **ones**. For numbers up to 40, always look at the tens and ones place to break the number down.

For example:

- **15** = 1 ten and 5 ones
- **30** = 3 tens and 0 ones
- 40 = 4 tens and 0 ones

By practicing this, you'll be able to easily recognize and break down numbers!

#### Key Vocabulary

- **Place Value**: The value of a digit based on its position in a number.
- **Tens**: A group of ten ones.
- **Ones**: Individual units.

Understanding Place Value

Place value helps us break down numbers into tens and ones. A number like 32 has:

- **3 tens** (which means 30)
- **2 ones** (which means 2)

#### So, 32 is the same as 3 tens and 2 ones.

#### Example Numbers

Let's look at a few examples of how to use place value to show numbers up to **40**:

- 1. 12
  - a. 1 ten = 10
  - b. 2 ones = 2
  - c. 12 is 1 ten and 2 ones.
- 2. 25
  - a. 2 tens = 20
  - b. 5 ones = 5
  - c. 25 is 2 tens and 5 ones.
- 3. 39
  - a. 3 tens = 30
  - b. 9 ones = 9
  - c. **39** is **3 tens and 9 ones**.

## Conclusion

By using **place value**, we can easily break down and understand numbers up to **40**. Keep practicing by breaking numbers into tens and ones, and soon you'll be an expert at using place value!