**Maths – addition and subtraction (3)**

Column subtraction with exchange



As with addition, we always begin with the least significant digit.

7 – 2 can be done

However, 5 tens cannot be subtracted from 3 tens in this arrangement. We need to exchange 1 of the hundreds for 10 tens.



The same process is used to exchange 1 ten into 10 ones etc.

Then we can continue to subtract the 5 tens and then the 2 hundreds.



The 537 we call the minuend.

The 252 we call the subtrahend

285 we call the difference.