

## Division

Points to remember:

1. **Division** means equal sharing or equal grouping.
2. The symbol used for division is  $\div$ .
3. Division is also known as **repeated subtraction**.

Example: Divide 10 by 2

$$10 - 2 = 8$$

$$8 - 2 = 6$$

$$6 - 2 = 4$$

$$4 - 2 = 2$$

$$2 - 2 = 0$$

4. If a number (except 0) is **divided by itself**, it gives **1**.
5. If a number is divided by 1, it gives the number itself.

$$8 \times 1 = 8$$

$$20 \times 1 = 20$$

$$8 \div 8 = 1$$

$$20 \div 20 = 1$$

$$8 \div 1 = 8$$

$$20 \div 1 = 20$$

6. A number cannot be divided by **zero** (0).
7. If 0 is divided by any number (except 0) it **always gives 0**.

8. We use these terms in division in this division fact

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 18 & & \div & 3 & & = & 6 \\
 \text{dividend} & & & \text{divisor} & & & \text{quotient}
 \end{array}$$

This is known **as long division method**.

## Exercise 1

**1. Divide the objects by grouping equally. Find the number of groups formed.**

a. 15 into groups of 3



Number of stars = 15

Number of stars in each group = 3

Number of groups = 5

$$15 \div 3 = 5$$

b. 6 into groups of 2



Number of triangles = 6

Number of triangles in each group = 2

Number of groups = 3

$$6 \div 2 = 3$$

**2. Divide using repeated subtraction:**

a. 20 by 5

$$20 - 5 = 15 \quad \text{-----} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$15 - 5 = 10 \quad \text{-----} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$10 - 5 = 5 \quad \text{-----} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$5 - 5 = 0 \quad \text{-----} \quad \textcircled{4} \quad \text{Therefore } 20 \div 5 = 4$$

b. 16 by 4

$$16 - 4 = 12 \quad \text{-----} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$12 - 4 = 8 \quad \text{-----} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$8 - 4 = 4 \quad \text{-----} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$4 - 4 = 0 \quad \text{-----} \quad \textcircled{4} \quad \text{Therefore } 16 \div 4 = 4$$

c. 24 by 8 (student will try to solve by themselves)