

compatible numbers

underestimate

The result of using smaller numbers to estimate a sum or product. The estimate is smaller than the actual answer.

overestimate

The result of using larger numbers to estimate a sum or product. The estimate is larger than the actual answer.

rounding

A process that tells which multiple of 10; 100; 1,000; etc. a number is closest to.

properties of equality

Properties that state that performing the same operation to both sides of an equation keeps the equation balanced.

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inverse operations

Operations that “undo” each other, such as addition and subtraction, or multiplication and division (except multiplication by 0).

equation

A mathematical sentence
stating that two
expressions are equal.

Numbers which are easy to
compute with mentally.