

# **Exploding Dots**<sup>™</sup>

## HANDOUTS

# Experience 5: Division

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### **Solutions to Handout A**

1. 2783 ÷ 23 = 121



3900 ÷ 12 = 325. We need some unexplosions along the way. (And can you see how I am getting efficient with my loop drawing?)



3. 46632 ÷ 201 = 232.





4.  $31533 \div 101 = 312$  with a remainder of 21. That is,  $31533 \div 101 = 312 + \frac{21}{101}$ 



5. We have  $2789 \div 11 = 253$  with a remainder of 6. That is,  $2789 \div 11 = 253 + \frac{6}{11}$ .



7. 
$$5481 \div 131 = 41 + \frac{110}{131}$$
.



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8. We certainly see one group of five right away.



Let's perform some unexplosions. (And let's write numbers rather than draw lots of dots. Drawing dots gets tedious!)



We see  $61230 \div 5 = 12246$ .



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### Handout B: WILD EXPLORATIONS

Here is a "big question" investigation you might want to explore, or just think about. Have fun!

#### EXPLORATION: LEFT TO RIGHT? RIGHT TO LEFT? ANY ORDER?

When asked to compute  $2552 \div 12$ , Kaleb drew this picture, which he got from identifying groups of twelve working right to left.



He said the answer to  $2552 \div 12$  is 121 with a remainder of 1100.

Mabel, on the other hand, identified groups of twelve from left to right in her diagram for the problem.



She concluded that  $2552 \div 12$  is 211 with a remainder of 20. Both Kaleb and Mabel are mathematically correct, but their teacher pointed out that most people would expect an answer with smaller remainders: both 1100 and 20 would likely be considered strange remainders for a problem about division by twelve. She also showed Kaleb and Mabel the answer to the problem that is printed in the textbook.

$$2552 \div 12 = 212 R 8$$

How could Kaleb and Mabel each continue work on their diagrams to have this textbook answer appear?

