Expressing Numbers in English
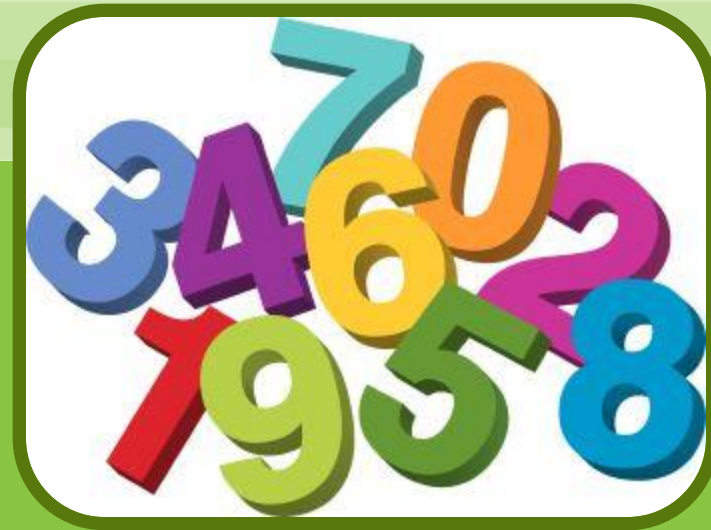
How do you express…

Large numbers:

000,000,000,000

billion   million thousand hundred

300 billion

Remember:

NOT billions, thousands, or hundreds!!

How do you express…

Hundreds

225   Two hundred twenty five

Practice:

333   894   237   662

How do you express…

Thousands

831,259 Eight hundred thirty one thousand, two hundred fifty nine

Practice:

2,333   14,894   38,237

How do you express…

Millions

298,356,000

Two hundred ninety eight million, three hundred fifty six thousand

Practice:

10,476,329   823,564,004

How do you express…

Decimals

4.56 Four point five six

    (. = point)

Practice:

98.6   104.68   3.99

How do you express…

Percentages
39% Thirty nine percent
(% = percent)

Practice:
75% 24% 99% .04%

How do you express…

Fractions
Read the top number as a cardinal number, followed by the ordinal number + 's' (if plural)

4/5 Four fifths
(cardinal number/ordinal number + s)

How do you express…

Fractions

2/3   two thirds

1/2   one half (an exception)

3/2   three halves

Practice:

1/4 1/3 7/8 4/2

How do you express…

Speed

100 mph   One hundred
       miles per hour
       (mph = miles per hour)

Practice:

65 mph 35 mph 24 mph

How do you express…

Weight

80 kg   80 kilograms
35 lbs thirty five pounds

Practice:

109 kg   34 kg
189 lbs   20 lbs

How do you express…

Telephone numbers
616-331-6493
  Six one six, three three   one, six four nine three

Practice:
714-825-4590
912-240-7421

How do you express…

Dates
12/04/53 Twelve four fifty three

Practice:
5/27/79
12/15/12
3/09/88

How do you express…

Temperature

33°C   Thirty three degrees Celcius

72°F   Seventy two degrees Fahrenheit

Practice:

21°C   19°C

101°F   65°F

How do you express…

Height

2 m 77 cm Two meters seventy
seven centimeters

5' 11"   Five feet eleven inches

Practice:

3 m 88 cm   4' 7"

1 m 4 cm   6' 5"

How do you express…

Price

$82   Eighty two dollars

$5.49   five dollars and forty nine cents

Practice:

$23 $6.71 $327.14

How do you express…

Scores in Sports

2-1   Two to one

Practice:

3-7   68-66   8-4

How do you express…

Simple Math

+ plus

- minus

x times

÷ divided by

= equals

How do you express…

Simple Math

10 + 9 = 19 ten plus nine

equals nineteen

12 – 8 = 4 twelve minus eight

equals four

4 x 2 = 8 four times two

equals eight

16 ÷ 4 = 4 sixteen divided by

four equals four

How do you express…

Simple Math

+ plus
- minus
x times
÷ divided by
= equals

Practice:

8 x 8 = 64   13 + 29 = 42

56 ÷ 8 = 7   100 – 12 = 88

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