

# Data Representation

Year 8 | Theme 1

Knowledge Organiser

This is the **Binary Number Line** or the **Binary Place Values**. As you can see we start with 1 from the right and double as we go along!



We can use this as a tool for many conversions from binary to denary and vice versa!

## What is binary?

Computers use electrical signals that are on or off, so they have to see everything as a series of **binary** numbers.

Binary is a number system that uses only **two** digits: **0 & 1** (on and off).

**All data that we want a computer to process needs to be converted into this binary format.**

Binary is known as a 'base-2' system. This is because:

- There are only two digits to select from (0 and 1)
- When using the binary system, data is converted using the power of two (*on the binary number line the place values are multiplied by two each time!*)

**Binary**

Base-2

**Denary**

Base-10

**Hexadecimal**

Base-16

## What is Denary?

People use the denary (or decimal) number system in their day-to-day lives. **In Maths you use Denary!**

Denary is a number system that uses **ten** digits to represent numbers: 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 and 9.

Denary is known as a 'base-10' system. This is because:

- There are only ten digits to select from (0 through to 9)
- When using the denary system, data is presented using the power of 10 (*on the number line you may be familiar with since primary school the place values are multiplied by ten each time e.g. units, tens, hundreds, thousands...*)

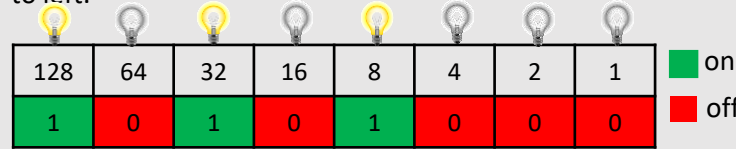
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4	3	6	4

= 4 thousand 3 hundred and 64  
**4364**

## How to convert from Binary to Denary

Example – Convert **10101000** into denary

1. Start by writing out the binary place values.
2. Put the binary number into the place values table from right to left.



3. Add up the numbers on the **place value** column where there is a binary digit of 1 (meaning it's "switched on"!)
4.  $128 + 32 + 8 = 168$
5. So **10101000** is equal to **168** in denary!

## How to convert from Denary to Binary

Example – Convert **193** into binary

1. Start by writing out the binary place values

128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
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2. This time we start at the far left, we say "does 128 fit into 199?" Yes it does! So place a 1 in the '128' place value column and perform the subtraction:  $193 - 128 = 65$

128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
1							

3. 71 is now our up to date number to convert. We repeat the same step on the next column. "Does 64 fit into 65?" Yes it does! So place a 1 in the '64' place value column and perform the subtraction:  $65 - 64 = 1$
4. 1 is now our most up to date number. We continue moving right. 32 does not fit into 1.... 16 does not fit into 1.... 8 does not fit into 1.... 4 does not fit into 1.... 2 does not fit into 1.... 1 fits into 1! Be sure to include 0's when a number doesn't fit.

128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

5. So **193** is equal to **11000001** in binary!

## Binary Addition Rules

$$0 + 0 = 0$$

$$0 + 1 = 1 \text{ or } 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$1 + 1 = 1 \text{ carry } 1$$

$$1 + 1 + 1 = 1 \text{ carry } 1$$

Note:  $1 + 0 + 1$  would be same as  $1 + 1$

Example:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1\ 1\ 0\ 1 \\
 +\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 0 \\
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 1\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 1 \\
 \text{\scriptsize 1\ 1}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 13 \\
 +\ 6 \\
 \hline
 19
 \end{array}$$

## Unit of Information

smallest

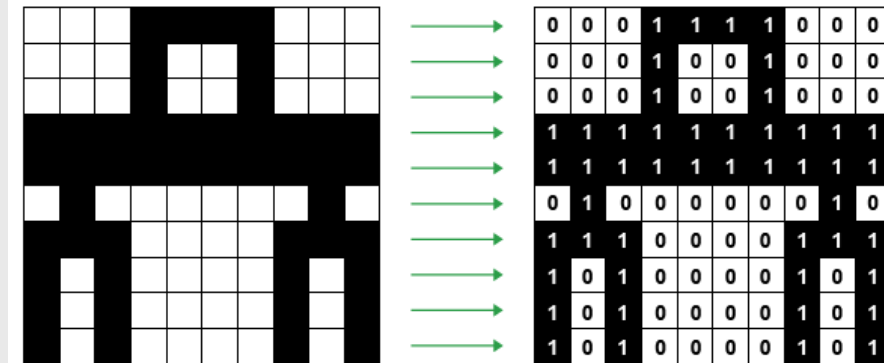
1 bit	e.g. 0 or 1
8 bits	1 byte e.g. 01101110
1,000 bytes	1 kilobyte (KB)
1,000 kilobytes	1 megabyte (MB)
1,000 megabytes	1 gigabyte (GB)
1,000 gigabytes	1 terabyte (TB)
1,000 terabytes	1 petabyte (PB)

largest

## Representing Images

Images also need to be converted into **binary** in order for a computer to process them so that they can be seen on our screen.

Digital images are made of **pixels**. Each pixel is an image is made up of binary numbers. If we say 1 is black (or on) and 0 is white (or off), then a simple black and white picture can be created using binary.



**Pixel** is short for picture element.

A pixel is a single point within a bitmap image.

A bitmap image is a map of bits made up of pixels.