



Break Apart a Ten

One ten becomes ten ones – even across a zero.



1 Look at the thinking

1 Line up the places

Subtract: $703 - 354$

H	T	O
~~7~~	~~0~~	~~3~~
3	5	4
3	4	9

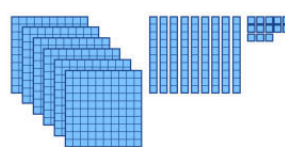
2 Do I have enough ones?

I have 3 ones.

Can I subtract
4 ones?

☐ Yes ☒ No

3 Break apart a ten



$703 = 6$ hundreds,
 9 tens and 13 ones

4 Subtract

$$703 - 354 = 349$$

Check:

$$349 + 354 = 703$$

2 Talk about it

Why did we
break apart a ten?

Did the number
change its value?

What do we do when
the next column is a zero?

How does adding
check our answer?

3 Try one

a Break apart:

H	T	O
4	5	6
3	0	7

b Break apart:

H	T	O
7	8	0
2	5	6

c Break apart:

H	T	O
5	9	8
1	5	9

4 Write it

a Check: + 307 = 456

b Check: + 256 = 780

c Check: + 159 = 598

