

# Subtraction: Column Method

1

$$\begin{array}{r} 453 \\ -348 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Place the numbers one on top of the other, lining up the hundreds, tens and ones.

2

$$\begin{array}{r} 453 \\ -348 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Subtract the ones (note that the answer to  $3 - 8$  is negative).

3

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\overset{4}{\cancel{5}}\overset{1}{3} \\ -348 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Exchange 10 from the 50 to make 13 ones. Subtract the ones:  $13 - 8 = 5$

4

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\overset{4}{\cancel{5}}\overset{1}{3} \\ -348 \\ \hline 05 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Subtract the tens:  $40 - 40 = 0$

5

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\overset{4}{\cancel{5}}\overset{1}{3} \\ -348 \\ \hline 105 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Subtract the hundreds:  $400 - 300 = 100$

6

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\overset{4}{\cancel{5}}\overset{1}{3} \\ -348 \\ \hline 105 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Check your answer.