

# Max the Monkey's Market Rounding Challenge

*Learning objective: To round numbers to the nearest 10, 100, and 1000.*

Max the Monkey is at the local market buying fruit for his friends. Help Max calculate the prices by rounding them to the nearest 10 or 100. Follow the instructions for each question carefully.

Max the Monkey loves visiting the market. He noticed that the price tags are often tricky to read quickly. To help him make fast decisions, Max rounds the prices. If the digit in the column to the right is 5 or more, he rounds up. If it is 4 or less, he rounds down. Today, a bunch of bananas costs £14, a bag of apples costs £87, and a basket of mangoes costs £243. Max wants to round these to the nearest 10 to see how much money he needs in his pocket.

*Word bank: round · nearest · estimate · digit · place value*

**1. Max sees that a box of strawberries costs £34. Round this price to the nearest 10. (2 marks)**

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**2. A crate of pineapples costs £168. Round this price to the nearest 10. (2 marks)**

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**3. The market stall owner says a giant sack of coconuts costs £482. Round this price to the nearest 100. (2 marks)**

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**4. If Max has 1,234 stickers in his collection and he rounds this to the nearest 1,000, what number does he get? (2 marks)**

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**5. Explain why the number 55 rounds up to 60 instead of down to 50. (2 marks)**

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**Draw:** Draw a busy market scene featuring Max the Monkey holding a basket. Around him, draw three large fruit crates with the labels '£34', '£168', and '£482' clearly written on them so Max can practise his rounding.



*Extension challenge: Max finds a rare exotic fruit that costs £785. Can you round this number to the nearest 10 AND the nearest 100? Which one is closer to the original price?*