

UPSIDE DOWN CALCULATOR

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Grade Level: 5-10

Objectives: Practicing using a calculator to send a message

Resources/Materials: Calculator

Activities/Procedures:

- Perform each of the indicated computations on a calculator.
- Then turn the calculator upside down and read the word answer.
- A clue is given for each problem.

Calculation	Numerical Answer	Clue	Word Answer
1. 0.140	_____	A name of a state	_____
2. $15+2+150+95+55$	_____	His story was a	_____
3. $2101 \times 9 \times 2$	_____	A very important book	_____
4. 2538.67×2	_____	They said a lot of	_____
5. $501 / 12500$	_____	After peeling onions you would	_____
6. $(354 \times 15) + 7$	_____	What you should never tell	_____
7. $141 / 200$	_____	The baritone sang	_____
8. $48450 / 6$	_____	A messy person	_____
9. $40/99$	_____	What Santa Claus said	_____
10. $88^2 - 3^2$	_____	Opposite of buy	_____
11. $(362536+61)/71$	_____	A girls name	_____
12. $463 \times 79 - 1469$	_____	The capitol of Idaho	_____
13. 1911×3	_____	Snake like fish	_____
14. $15469/20000+190+520$	_____	The name of an oil company	_____
15. $19^3 + 879$	_____	It rings	_____
16. $514+3237$	_____	A tropical	_____
17. $106 \times 35 - 5$	_____	The bottom of a shoe	_____
18. $84^2 + 7^2$	_____	To make dirty	_____

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| 19. | 1377×4 | _____ | Person in charge | _____ |
| 20. | $(29 \times 16 - 1) \times 8$ | _____ | This is a big | _____ |
| 21. | $2875 + 2463$ | _____ | They sting | _____ |
| 22. | $(9 \times 20) - 7$ | _____ | What Whitney was called | _____ |
| 23. | $11 \times 7 \times 40$ | _____ | Musical instrument | _____ |
| 24. | $250 \times 140 + 7$ | _____ | Opposite of tight | _____ |
| 25. | $25 \times 2564 - 6382$ | _____ | Have to be paid each month | _____ |

Follow-up

Make up some problems like this of your own. Look up the name Blaise Pascal who invented the first mechanical calculator in 1642.