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1.2 Estimating Whole Numbers

We often don't need an exact answer to solve mathematics problems. Estimates are easy and usually close enough to the exact answer for your needs.

You can use rounding to estimate numbers:

Estimate by rounding to the greatest place.

$$8743 \rightarrow 9000 \\ +6317 \rightarrow 6000 \\ 15,000$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 84,238 & \Rightarrow & 80,000 \\ \underline{-7937} & \Rightarrow & \underline{-8,000} \\ & & & 72,000 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
426 & \rightarrow & 400 \\
\underline{x 63} & \rightarrow & \underline{x 60} \\
& & 24,000
\end{array}$$

Estimate each of the following by rounding to the greatest place.