

Can I round decimals to the nearest whole number?

Tens	Ones	.	tenths	hundredths	thousandths
1	4	.	2	0	8

Step 1

As we are rounding to the nearest whole number, we need to underline the digit in the ones column and draw a circle around the digit in the tenths column.

1 4 . (2) 0 8

Step 2

If the tenths number (circled number) is 5 or more, add one more to the underlined digit. If the tenths number is 4 or less, leave the underlined number as it is:

1 4 . (2) 0 8 \longrightarrow 1 4

Step 3

For your answer, just write the number to the ones digit. When rounding to the nearest whole number, you don't need any digits after the decimal point.

5 . (3) 4 \longrightarrow 5
 \searrow tenths number is less than 5, so leave the ones number as it is

5 . (6) 7 8 \longrightarrow 6
 \searrow tenths number is 5 or more, so add one to the ones number

Number	Rounded to the nearest whole number
2.7	
6.28	
9.831	
14.3	
67.57	
80.04	
35.921	
421.6	
142.21	
371.823	

Answers:

Number	Rounded to the nearest whole number
2.7	3
6.28	6
9.831	10
14.3	14
67.57	66
80.04	80
35.921	36
421.6	422
142.21	142
371.823	372