

When **comparing numbers**, first start with the greatest place value. Then compare the digits in the greatest place value position. If these digits are the same, continue to the next smaller place until the digits are different. The table below shows three numbers and steps to compare the three numbers.

Number	Tens	Ones
46	4	6
73	7	3
76	7	6

1. Look at tens place. 7 tens is greater than 4 tens, so 73 and 76 are both greater than 46.
2. Look at ones place. 6 ones is greater than 3 ones, so 76 is greater than 73.