

COMPARE 412 AND 421

- 1 Write the numbers: 412 and 421.
- 2 Hundreds digits are the same (both 4).
- 3 Look at tens: 1 is less than 2 so 412 is smaller.

 WARM-UP

Write one digit in each cell of the place-value mat.

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1. Write 366 and 372 on the first two rows and circle the tens digits that first differ.
2. Write 605 and 650 on the next two rows and underline the deciding tens column.
3. Write 700 and 699 on the last two rows and mark the greater number.

 PRACTICE

- 1 In the GAA match, team A scored **145** and team B scored **154**. Which score is bigger?
- 2 The hurling scores were **402** and **420**. Write the sign to show which is greater.
- 3 The camogie team got **245** and the other got **198**. Which is the bigger score?
- 4 GAA final: **730** points to **703**. Which number is larger?

! SPOT THE MISTAKE

Aoife compares 366 and 372 like this:

She looks at the units first:
6 is greater than 2, so $366 > 372$.

Aoife started in the wrong column. Which number is bigger, and why?

Explain _____ Answer (_____)

REFLECT

When two numbers look alike, which column do you check first to decide which is bigger?