

- 1 Look at the two numbers on the place-value mat: 34 and 43.
- 2 In **34** the digit on the left is **3**, so there are 3 tens.
- 3 In **43** the digit on the left is **4**, so there are 4 tens.
- 4 4 tens is more than 3 tens, so **43** is the bigger number.
- 5 The 4 in 43 is worth 40, but the 4 in 34 is worth only 4.

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