Rules for Estimation
1.Rouns
3. CROSS OUT
4. CIRCLE

Below is a sample
Take a quick view of Dimensional Analysis. Here you can estimate how many minutes are in a year!


Rounding means simplifying a number. For now, simplify each number to have a single digit at the left and all zeroes to the right. If the second digit is 4 or less, round down. If the second digit is 5 or more round up. 12 rounds down to 10 (because the 2 is 4 or less) and 365 rounds up to 400 (because the 6 is 5 or more).

Practice.

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\begin{aligned}
& 11= \\
& 19=15= \\
& 19=8,986,003= \\
& \frac{11,999,999=}{34}=\frac{543=}{80}=\frac{53}{60}= \\
& \frac{6}{5}=\frac{855}{400}=
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
6-(3+1) \div 2^{2} \cdot 5=
$$

First, the " $P$ " in "PEMDAS" is for parenthesis. Do the arithmetic inside the parenthesis.

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6-4 \div 2^{2} \cdot 5=
$$

Next, " $E$ " is for exponents. Do this.

$$
6-4 \div 4 \cdot 5=6-1 \cdot 5=
$$

Now, do "M" and "D" for multiplication and division (from left to right).

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6-5=1
$$

And finally, do "A" and "S" for addition and subtraction.


Cross Out whatever does not make it to the answer, Circle whatever makes it to the answer.

For instance,

- Cross Out numbers that get rounded.
- Cross Out numbers that get cancelled.
- Cross Out dimensions that get cancelled.
- Cross Out numbers that get combined with others.
- Circle numbers that make it to the answer ... because they didn't get rounded or cancelled or combined.
- Circle dimensions that make it to the answer ... because they didn't get cancelled.

(Did you notice that I rounded the 24 to 25 ? By the rules of rounding, I should have rounded 24 to 20 . But when I saw that 4 in 400 , I knew the 4 would multiply the rounded 24 . So, I made the 24 a 25 , so that $4 \times 25$ would make a nice, round 100.)

