## Comparison of Numbers

To compare two or more 4-digit numbers,
First look and compare the thousands place, then the hundreds place, then the tens place, lastly the ones place.

To use symbols

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\begin{aligned}
& <- \text { less than } \\
& >- \text { Greater than } \\
& =- \text { Equal to }
\end{aligned}
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The closed side of the number always points towards the smallest number.
The open side of the number always points towards the greatest number.

## Example 1:

Compare 4715 and 6251
Solution:
4715 and 6251
The digits in the thousand place are 4 and 6
4 is less than 6
4715 is less than 6251
4715 < 6251

## Example 2:

Compare 1720 and 1588

## Solution:

1720 and 1588
The digits in the thousand place are same
The digits in the hundred place are 7 and 5
7 is greater than 5
1720 is greater than 1588
$1720>1588$

## Example 3:

Compare 7524 and 7563
Solution:

## 7524 and 7563

The digits in the thousand place are same
The digits in the hundred place are same
The digits in the tens place are 2 and 6
2 is less than 6
7524 is less than 7563
$7524<7563$

## Example 4:

Compare 2459 and 2451

## Solution:

2459 and 2451
The digits in the thousand place are same
The digits in the hundred place are same
The digits in the tens place are same
The digits in the ones place are 9 and 1
9 is greater than 1
2459 is greater than 2451
$2459>2451$

## Example 5:

Compare 8456 and 8456

## Solution:

8456 and 8456
The digits in the thousand place are same
The digits in the hundred place are same
The digits in the tens place are same
The digits in the ones place are same
8456 is equal to 8456
$8456=8456$

