You can use decimal models to help you subtract decimals.

Decimal Subtraction

Subtract. 1.85 – 0.65 Step 1 Shade squares to represent 1.85. **Remember:** By circling and crossing out Step 2 Circle and cross out 65 of the shaded squares, you can see shaded squares to represent how many squares are taken subtracting 0.65. away, or subtracted.

Step 3 Count the shaded squares that are not crossed out. Altogether, 1 whole square and 20 one-hundredths squares, or 1.20 wholes, are NOT crossed out.

So, 1.85 - 0.65 = 1.20.

Subtract. Use decimal models. Draw a picture to show your work.

1 1.4 - 0.61	2 1.6 - 1.08
3 0.84 - 0.17	4 1.39 - 1.14