## Binary Bits and Bytes

Each binary digit (0 or 1 ) is called a bit 8 bits is called a Byte

4 bits is half a byte and is called a nibble
1 bit is a single binary digit (a 0 ог а 1 )

The number of bits in a number is called the word length

## Binary Bits and Bytes

| A bit | 1 |
| :--- | :--- |
| A nibble | 1011 |
| A byte | 10110110 |

1. State the largest decimal number which can be represented by a nibble
2. Write down the range of numbers which can be represented by a single Byte
3. How many different numbers can be represented using 8 bits?

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1 Byte (8 bits) can make any number from 0 to 255

- 255 is the highest number that can be made using 1 Byte
- 0 is the lowest number that can be made using 1 Byte
- Any number between 0 and 255 can be made using 1 Byte - this is 256 different numbers


## Bigger Bytes

Larger units of information are used to express the file sizes of data files stored on computers

This makes it a lot easier to write the numbers down and to talk about them

- 4 Megabytes is a lot easier than 4,000,000 Bytes (or 32,000,000 bits)


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