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Strategies for Addition - Year 1

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Addition Strategy Toolbox



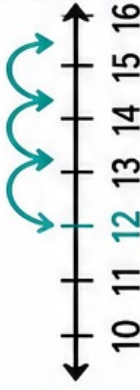
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Count On

Start with the
bigger number:

$$12 + 3 \rightarrow$$

13, 14, 15

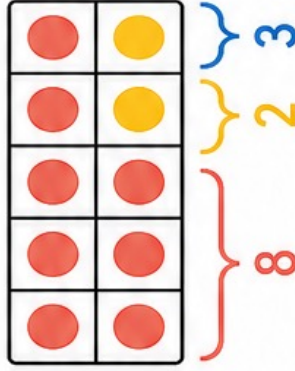


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Make Ten

$$8 + 5 =$$

$$8 + 2 + 3 = 13$$

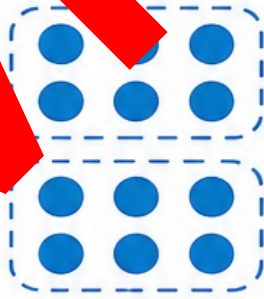


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Doubles &
Near Doubles

$$6 + 6 =$$

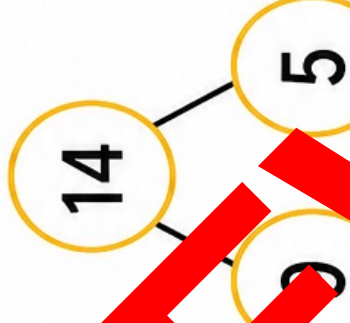
$$6 + 6 + 1 =$$



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Part-Part-Whole

9 and 5 make 14

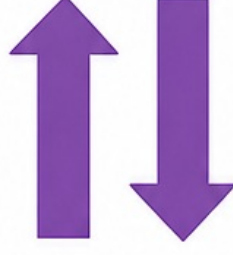


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Swap Addends

$$3 + 11 =$$

$$11 + 3$$



Choose a strategy. Show your thinking. Check your answer.



My Addition Strategy Steps

1 Read the numbers.

2 Choose a strategy.

3 Show your thinking.

4 Check the total.

Count On



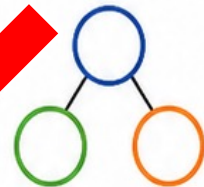
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Double or Near Double



Part-Part-Whole



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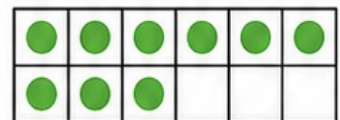
3 Show your thinking.

4 Check the total.

Count On



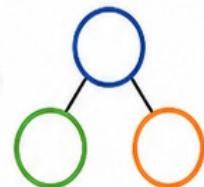
Make Ten



Double or Near Double



Part-Part-Whole



Count-On Garden Trail

Start at the bigger number.
Count on the smaller number.



Count-On Garden Trail Cards

Pick a card. Say the bigger number, count on, then move the total.

$7 + 2$

$4 + 9$

$11 + 3$

$2 + 15$

$6 + 5$

$13 + 4$

$8 + 3$

$5 + 12$

$14 + 2$

$9 + 6$

$10 + 5$

$1 + 18$

Make Ten Rainbow Match

- 1 Cut out the number cards.
- 2 Turn the cards face down.
- 3 Find two numbers that make 10.
- 4 Say the fact and keep the pair.

My pair $\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = 10$

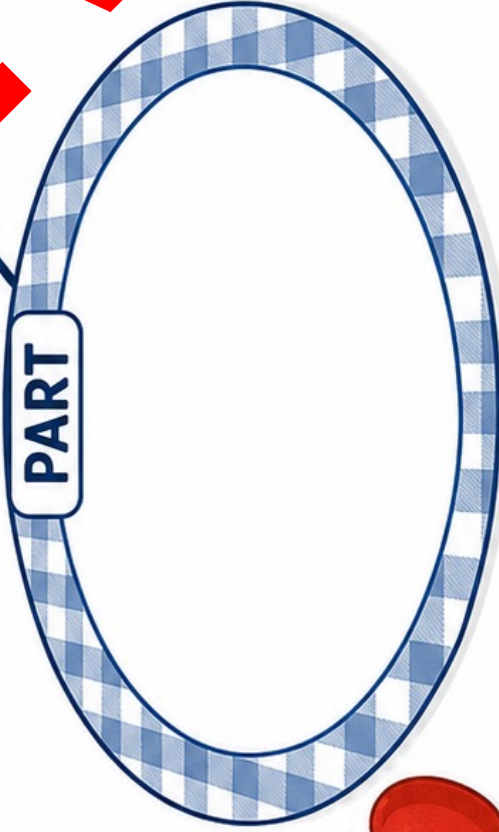
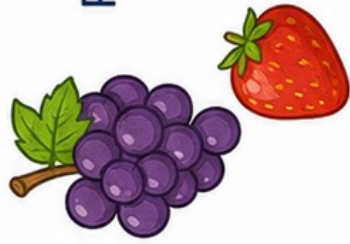
Check it on the ten frame.

Make Ten Rainbow Match Cards



Part-Part-Whole Picnic

Pick one counter from the basket and split it into two different ways.



— + — = —

— + — = —

PREFEVIEW

Part-Part-Whole Picnic Cards

Pick a whole. Show two different partitions on the picnic mat.

6



7



8



9



10



11



12



13



14



15



16



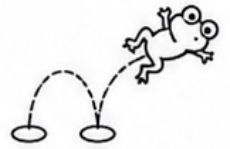
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Count On from the Bigger Number — Page 1

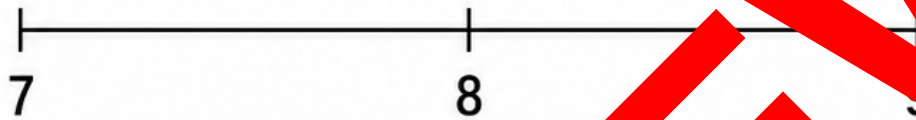
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Circle the bigger number. Start there and count on. Draw the hops.

1. $7 + 2 = \underline{\quad}$



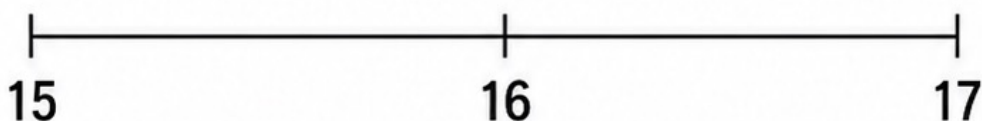
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3. $11 + 3 = \underline{\quad}$



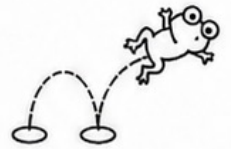
4. $2 + 15 = \underline{\quad}$



Count On from the Bigger Number — Page 1

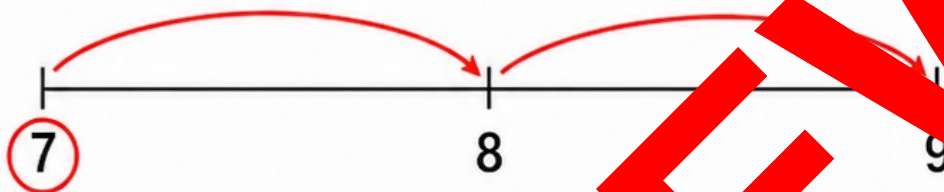
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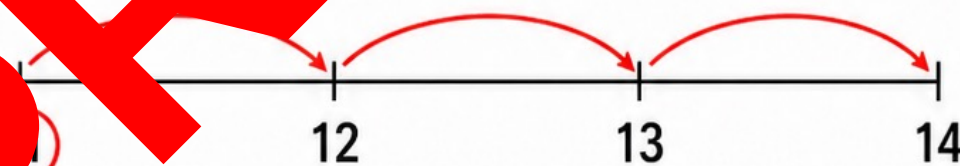
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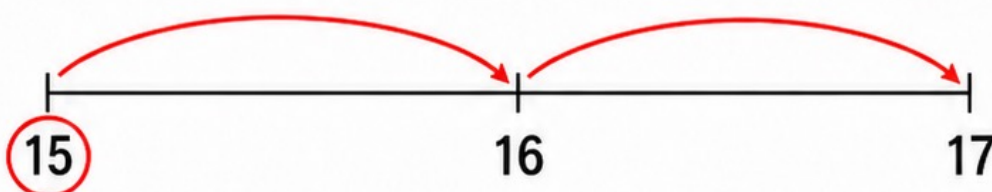
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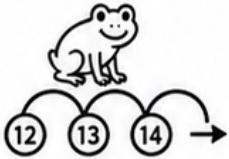
4. $2 + 15 = \underline{17}$



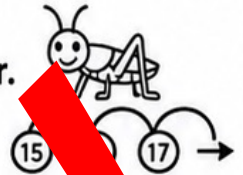
Count On from the Bigger Number – Page 2

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Swap if it helps. Write the start number, hops and answer.



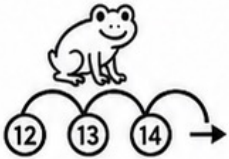
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$5 + 9$			
$14 + 2$			
$6 + 7$			
$1 + 18$			

Why is it helpful to start with the bigger number?

Count On from the Bigger Number – Page 2

Name: ANSWERS

Date: _____



Swap if it helps. Write the start number, hops and answer.



Equation	Start	Hops	Answer
$3 + 8$	8	3	11
$12 + 4$	12	4	16
$5 + 9$	9	5	14
$14 + 2$	14	2	16
$6 + 7$	7	6	13
$1 + 18$	18	1	19

Why is it helpful to start with the bigger number?

It uses fewer counts.

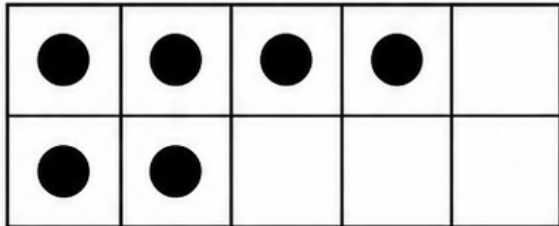
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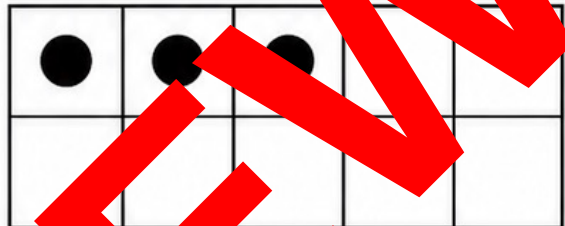
Use each ten frame. Write the missing part.

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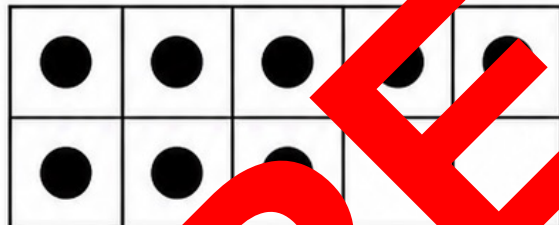
$$6 + \underline{\quad} = 10$$

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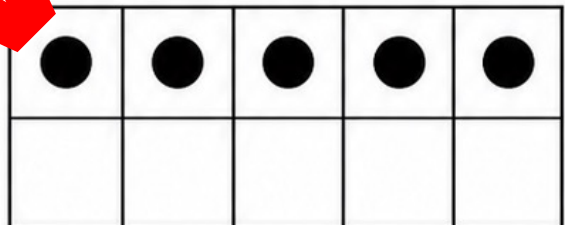
$$\underline{\quad} + 3 = 10$$

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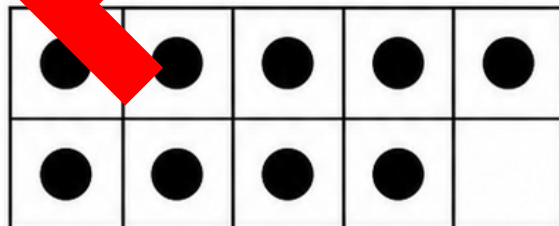
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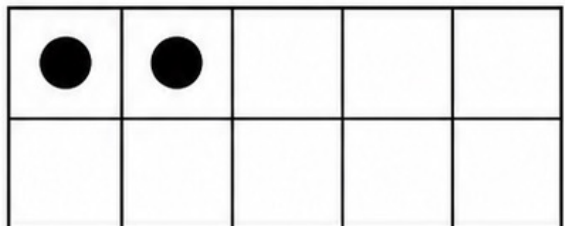
$$\underline{\quad} + 5 = 10$$

5.



$$9 + \underline{\quad} = 10$$

6.



$$\underline{\quad} + 2 = 10$$

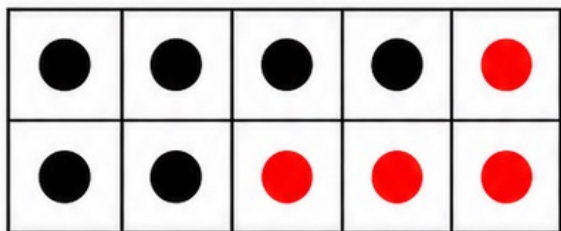
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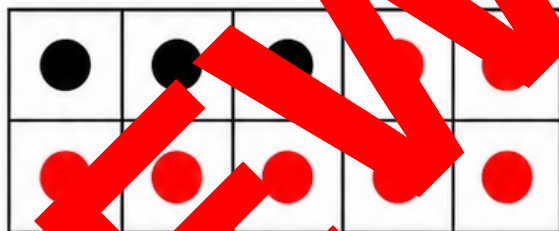
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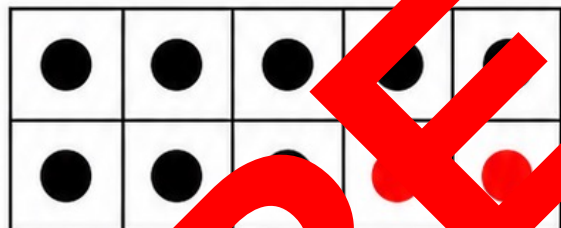
$$6 + \underline{4} = 10$$

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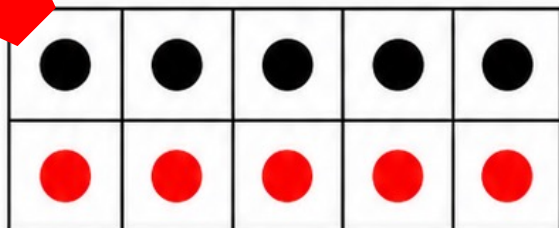
$$\underline{7} + 3 = 10$$

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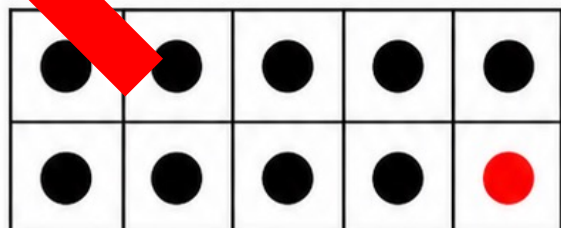
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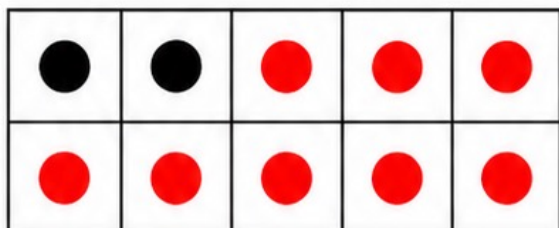
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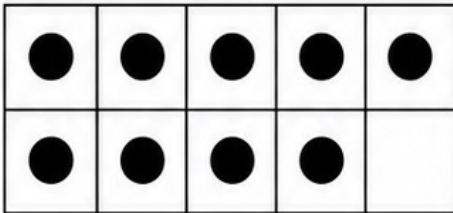
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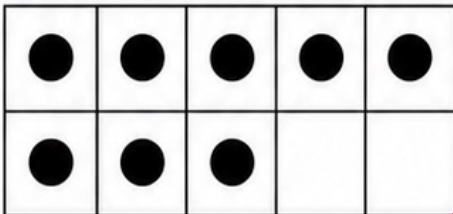
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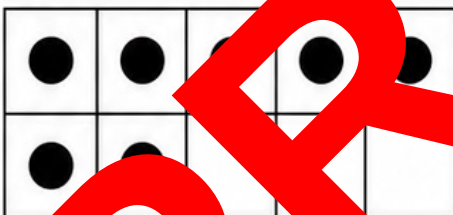
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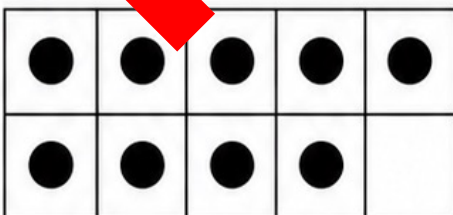
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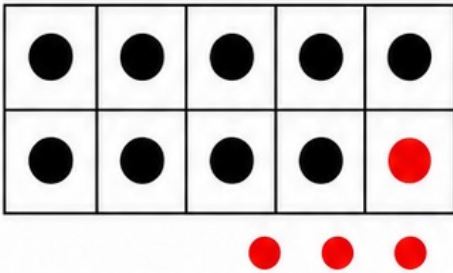
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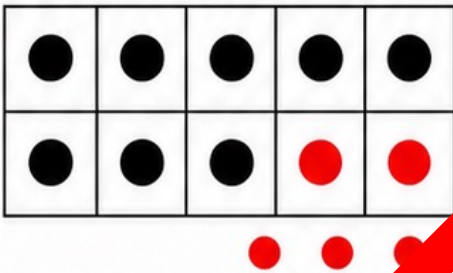
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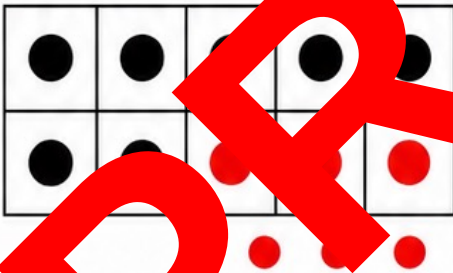
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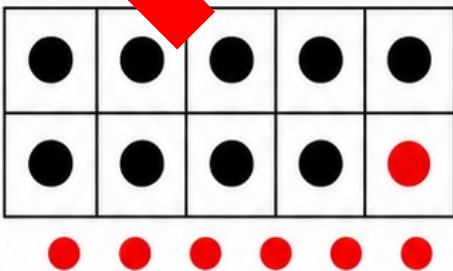
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$$7 + 6 = 7 + \underline{3} + \underline{3} = \underline{13}$$

4.



$$9 + 7 = 9 + \underline{1} + \underline{6} = \underline{16}$$

Doubles and Near Doubles

Name: _____

Date: _____

Solve the doubles. Then use a double to solve each near double.



Doubles

$2 + 2 = \underline{\quad}$

$4 + 4 = \underline{\quad}$

$5 + 5 = \underline{\quad}$

$7 + 7 = \underline{\quad}$



Near Doubles

$4 + 5 = 4 + 4 + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$

$6 + 7 = 6 + 6 + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$

$8 + 7 = 7 + 7 + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$

$9 + 8 = 8 + 8 + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$

Doubles and Near Doubles

Name: ANSWERS

Date: _____

Solve the doubles. Then use a double to solve each near double.



Doubles

$$2 + 2 = \underline{4}$$

$$4 + 4 = \underline{8}$$

$$5 + 5 = \underline{10}$$

$$7 + 7 = \underline{14}$$



Near Doubles

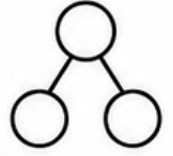
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Part-Part-Whole Builders — Page 1

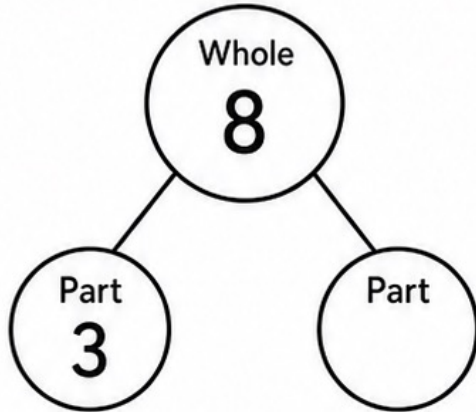


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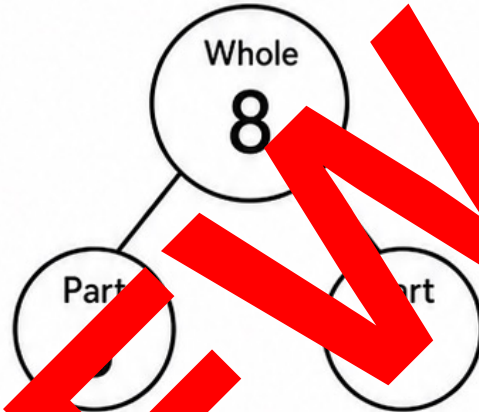
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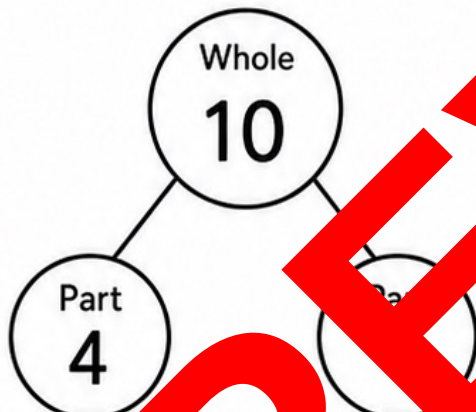
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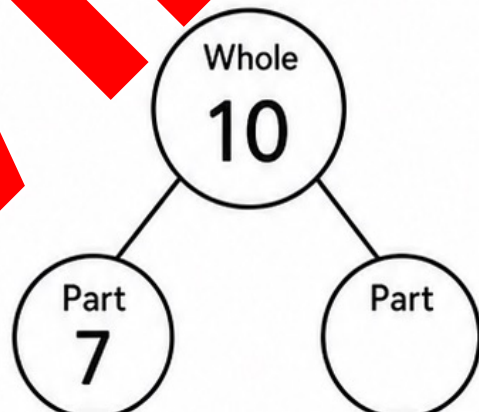
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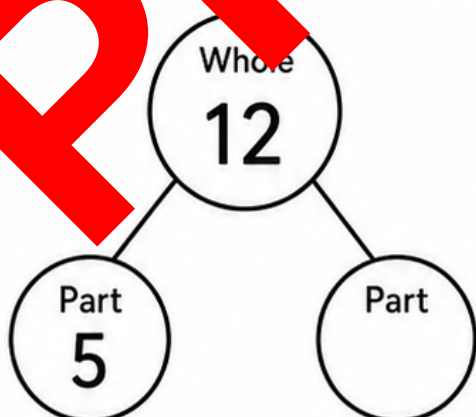
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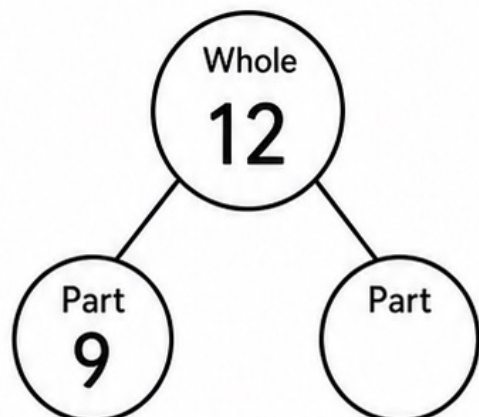


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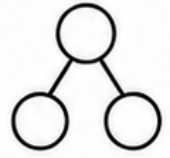


$$5 + \underline{\quad} = 12$$



$$9 + \underline{\quad} = 12$$

Part-Part-Whole Builders — Page 1

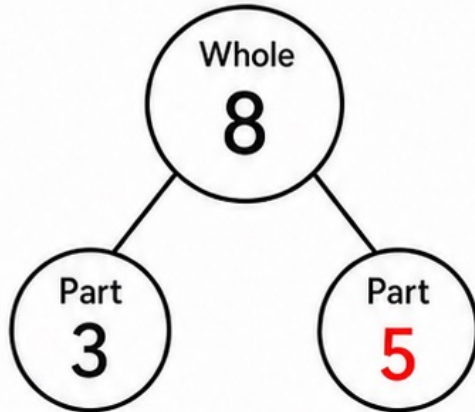


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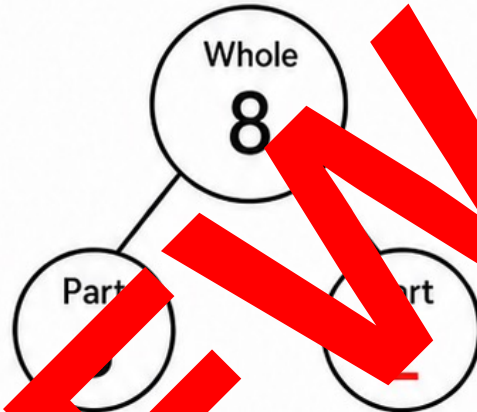
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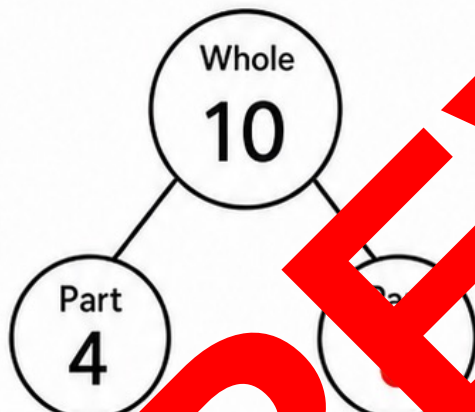
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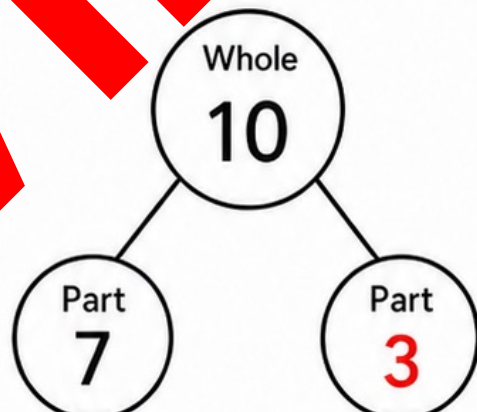
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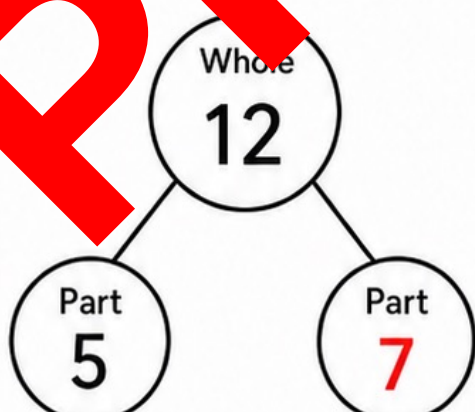
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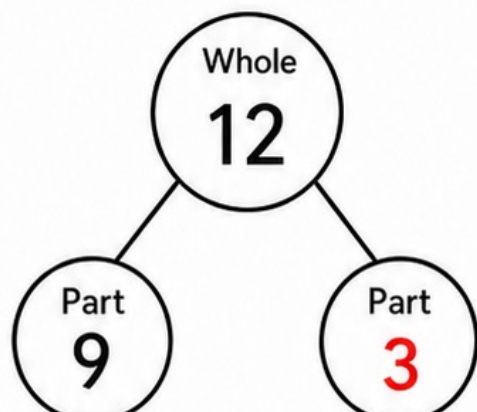


$$7 + \underline{3} = 10$$

6.



$$5 + \underline{7} = 12$$



$$9 + \underline{3} = 12$$

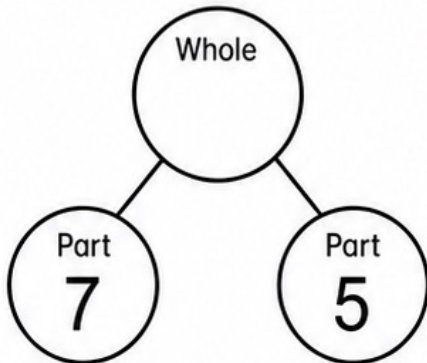
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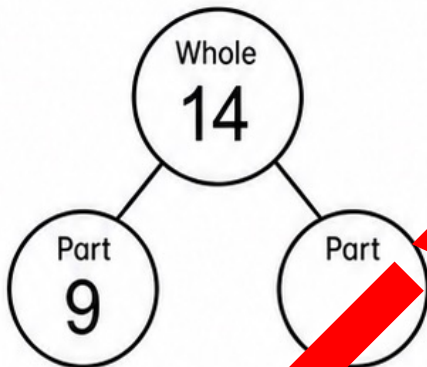
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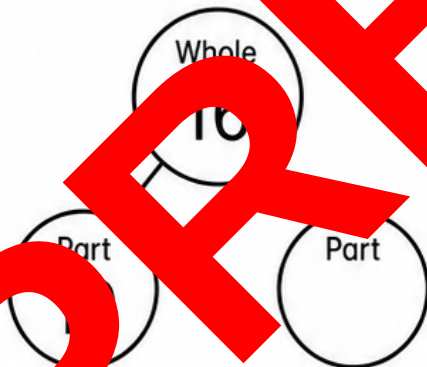
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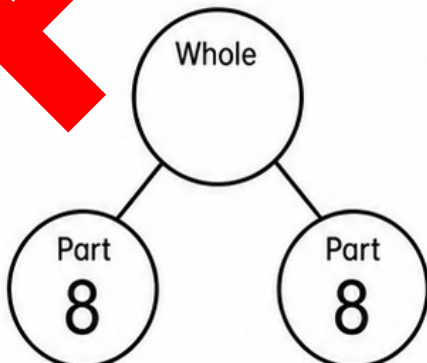
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$$10 + \underline{\quad} = 16$$

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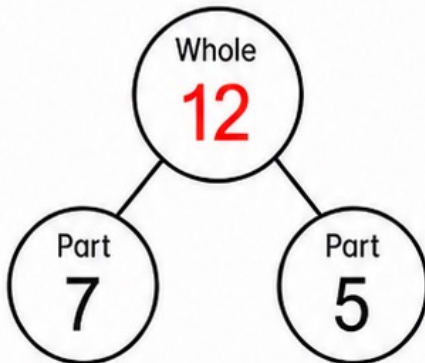
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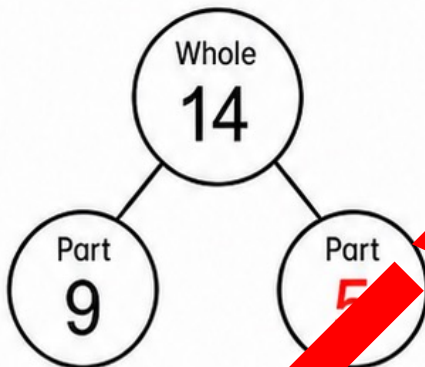
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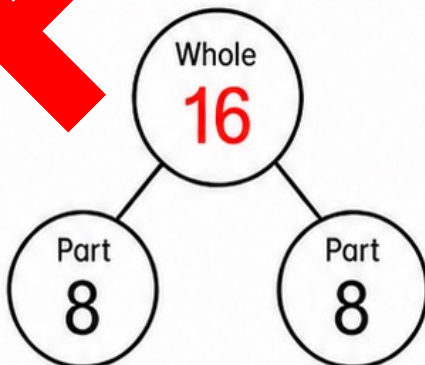
$$9 + \underline{5} = 14$$

3.



$$10 + \underline{6} = 16$$

4.



$$8 + 8 = \underline{16}$$



Addition Stories: Choose and Explain – Page 1

Name: _____

Date: _____

Draw or show a strategy. Write an equation and the answer.

1. Mia has 8 shells. She finds 3 more.
How many shells now?



Equation: _____

Answer: _____

2. Noah has 6 blue blocks and 7 green blocks.
How many blocks altogether?



Equation: _____

Answer: _____

3. There are 9 birds on a fence. Five more land.
How many birds are there?



Equation: _____

Answer: _____

4. A jar holds 10 red buttons and 4 yellow buttons.
How many buttons are there?



Equation: _____

Answer: _____

Addition Stories: Choose and Explain – Page 1

Name: ANSWERS

Date: _____

Draw or show a strategy. Write an equation and the answer.

1. Mia has 8 shells. She finds 3 more.
How many shells now?



Equation: $8 + 3 = 11$

Answer: 11 shells

2. Noah has 6 blue blocks and 7 green blocks.
How many blocks altogether?



$$6 + 6 + 1$$

Equation: $6 + 7 = 13$

Answer: 13 blocks

3. There are 9 birds on a fence. Five more land.
How many birds are there?

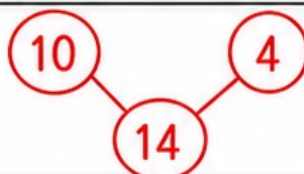


$$9 + 1 + 4$$

Equation: $9 + 5 = 14$

Answer: 14 birds

4. A jar holds 10 red buttons and 4 yellow buttons.
How many buttons are there?



Equation: $10 + 4 = 14$

Answer: 14 buttons

Addition Stories: Choose and Explain — Page 2

Name: _____

Date: _____



Choose a strategy, solve and explain.

1. $15 + 2 = \underline{\quad}$

☐ Count On ☐ Make Ten ☐ Double / Near Double ☐ Part-Whole

Explain: _____

2. $9 + 6 = \underline{\quad}$

☐ Count On ☐ Make Ten ☐ Double / Near Double ☐ Part-Part-Whole

Explain: _____

3. $7 + 7 = \underline{\quad}$

☐ Count On ☐ Make Ten ☐ Double / Near Double ☐ Part-Part-Whole

Explain: _____

4. $8 + 5 = \underline{\quad}$

☐ Count On ☐ Make Ten ☐ Double / Near Double ☐ Part-Part-Whole

Explain: _____

Addition Stories: Choose and Explain — Page 2

Name: ANSWERS

Date: _____



Choose a strategy, solve and explain.

1. $15 + 2 = \underline{17}$

☒ Count On ☐ Make Ten ☐ Double / Near Double ☐ Part-Whole

Explain: 15, 16, 17

2. $9 + 6 = \underline{15}$

☐ Count On ☒ Make Ten ☐ Double / Near Double ☐ Part-Part-Whole

Explain: $9 + 1 + 5$

3. $7 + 7 = \underline{14}$

☐ Count On ☐ Make Ten ☒ Double / Near Double ☐ Part-Part-Whole

Explain: double 7

4. $8 + 5 = \underline{13}$

☐ Count On ☒ Make Ten ☐ Double / Near Double ☐ Part-Part-Whole

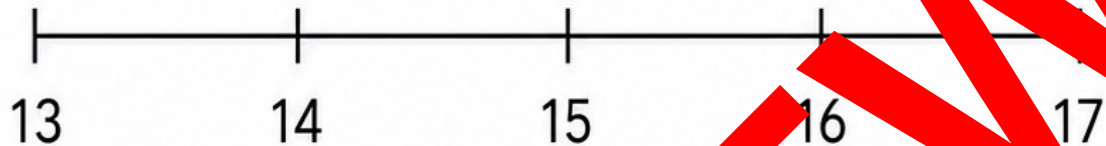
Explain: $8 + 2 + 3$

Addition Strategy Check — Page 1

Name: _____

Date: _____

- ① Count on: $13 + 4 = \underline{\quad}$



- ② Make ten: $8 + 6 = 8 + \underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$

- ③ Double: $7 + 7 = \underline{\quad}$

- ④ Near double: $\underline{\quad} + 8 = 7 + 7 + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$

- ⑤ Circle the most efficient strategy for $16 + 2$:

☐ Count On

☐ Make Ten

☐ Double

- ⑥ True or false: $4 + 9 = 9 + 4$

☐ True

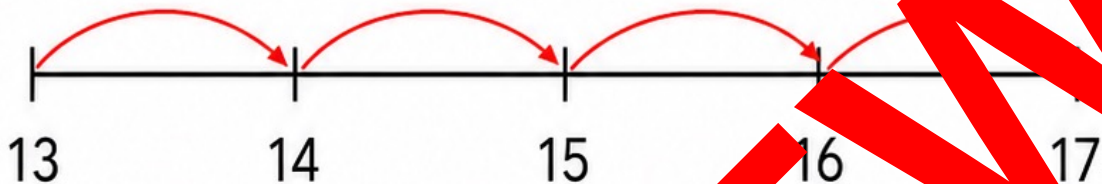
☐ False

Addition Strategy Check — Page 1

Name: ANSWERS

Date: _____

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- ② Make ten: $8 + 6 = 8 + \underline{2} + \underline{4} = \underline{14}$

- ③ Double: $7 + 7 = \underline{14}$

- ④ Near double: $7 + 8 = 7 + 7 + \underline{1} = \underline{15}$

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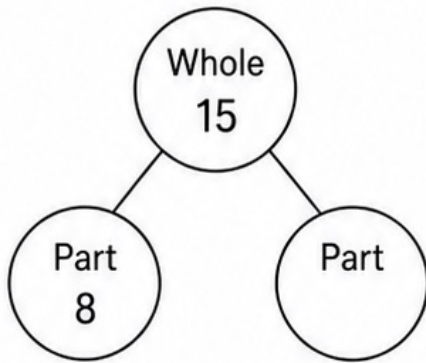
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Addition Strategy Check — Page 2

Name: _____

Date: _____

1.



$$8 + \underline{\quad} = 15$$

2. Show two different ways to partition 12:

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = 12$$

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = 12$$

3. Luca has 9 marbles and gets 7 more. How many marbles does he have?

Answer: _____

4. Choose one and show a strategy for $9 + 7$.

☐

Count On

☐

Make Ten

☐

Double / Near Double

☐

Part-Part-Whole

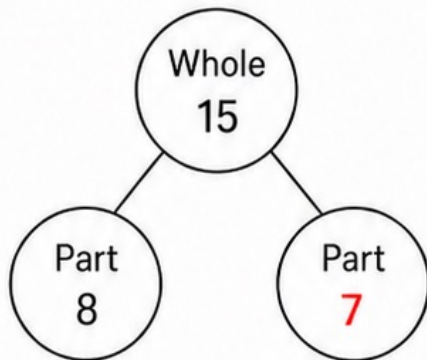
5. Explain how you know $6 + 6 = 12$.

Addition Strategy Check — Page 2

Name: ANSWERS

Date: _____

1.



$$8 + \underline{7} = 15$$

2. Show two different ways to partition 12:

$$\underline{10} + \underline{2} = 12$$

$$\underline{7} + \underline{5} = 12$$

3. Luca has 9 marbles and gets 7. How many marbles does he have?

$$9 + 1 + 6 = 16$$

Answer: 16 marbles

4. Choose and show a strategy for $9 + 7$.

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Count On

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Make Ten

☐

Double / Near Double

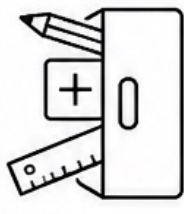
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Part-Part-Whole

$$9 + 1 + 6 = 16$$

5. Explain how you know $6 + 6 = 12$.

It is double 6.



Addition Strategy Check Rubric

Student: _____ Date: _____

Skill	BEGINNING	DEVELOPING	ACHIEVING	CONFIDENT	EXCEEDING
Models addition within 20	Needs support	Models with some examples	Models most accurately	Models accurately	Models flexibly
Counts on	Recounts all	Starts with a prompt Counts on larger whole	Counts on accurately	Chooses it efficiently	Explains efficiency
Uses make ten / doubles	Not yet	Uses one with help	Chooses a strategy	Selects efficiently	Connects strategies
Uses part-part-whole	Identifies some parts	Completes with help	Partially accurate	Finds two ways	Compares partitions
Chooses and explains	Names a strategy	Gives a reason with help	Chooses and explains	Explains why it fits	Compares two strategies

Teacher notes:

Strategies for Addition



Learning Goals

We are learning to add numbers within 20.

I can:

- choose a helpful strategy.
- show how my strategy works.
- check whether my answer makes sense.



Our Strategy Toolbox

- Count on from the bigger number.
- Swap the addends to make counting easier.
- Make ten or bridge through ten.
- Use doubles and near doubles.
- Build a part-part-whole model to partition a number.



Count On

Start with the bigger number. Say it, then count on the smaller number.

Start at 12: 13, 14, 15

$$12 + 3 = 15$$



Count On: Try It

$4 + 13$ is easier when you start at 14.

Count on 4:
Start at 13: 14, 15, 16, 17.

Now try: $7 + 11$ and $9 + 6$



Swap the Addends

Addends can change places and the total sum is the same.

$$3 + 14 = 17$$

Both equal 17.

Choose the order that makes your strategy easier.



Make Ten

Ten is a friendly number.

7 needs 3 to make

$$7 + 3 = 10$$

Knowing numbers that make ten helps us solve harder additions.



Bridge Through Ten

Solve $8 + 5$ by splitting 5 into 2 and 3.

10

$$10 + 3 = 13$$

$$\text{So, } 8 + 5 = 13.$$



Use a Ten Frame

For $6 + 7$, move 4 from the 7 to the first ten frame.

$$4 + 6 = 10$$

3 are left.

$$10 + 3 = 13$$

So, $6 + 7 = 13$.



Use a Double

A double has two equal addends.

$$6 + 6 = 12$$

Quick double facts are useful totals to build from.



Use a Near Double

6 + 7 is one more than double

12

$$12 + 1 = 13$$

So, $6 + 7 = 13$.



Part-Part-Whole

The addends are the parts. The total is the whole.

Part 3 + Part 2 = Whole 5

A part-part-whole model helps us see how the numbers belong together.



Partition a Number

Break one addend into helpful parts

Split 5 into 1 and 4

$$9 + 1 + 4 = 10 + 4 = 14$$



Show It Different Ways

$$8 + 6 = 14$$

Count on: start at 8 and count on 6.

Make ten: $8 + 2 + 4 = 14$.

Near double: $7 + 7 = 14$.

Different strategies can lead to the same total.



Choose an Efficient Strategy

Look for:

- a bigger addend to count on from.
- a partner that makes ten.
- a double or near double.
- a helpful way to partition.

Which strategy would you use for 9 + 5? Why?



Guided Practice

Solve each addition. Name your strategy.

$$8 + 6$$

$$7 + 7$$

Choose one addition and show a second strategy that proves the same total.

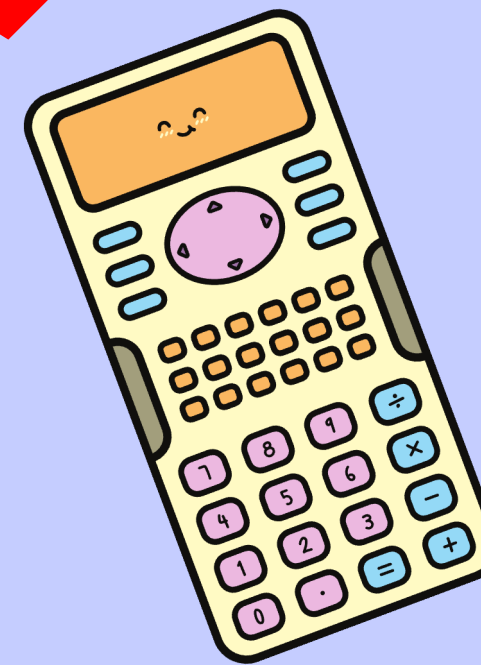
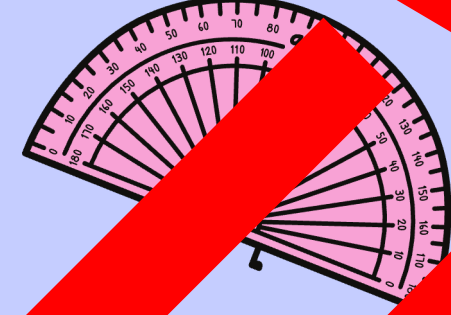
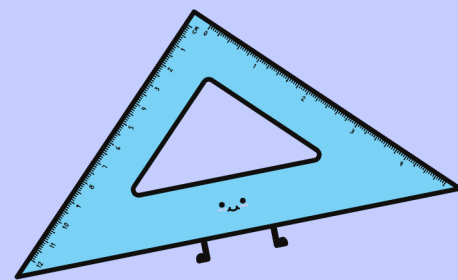
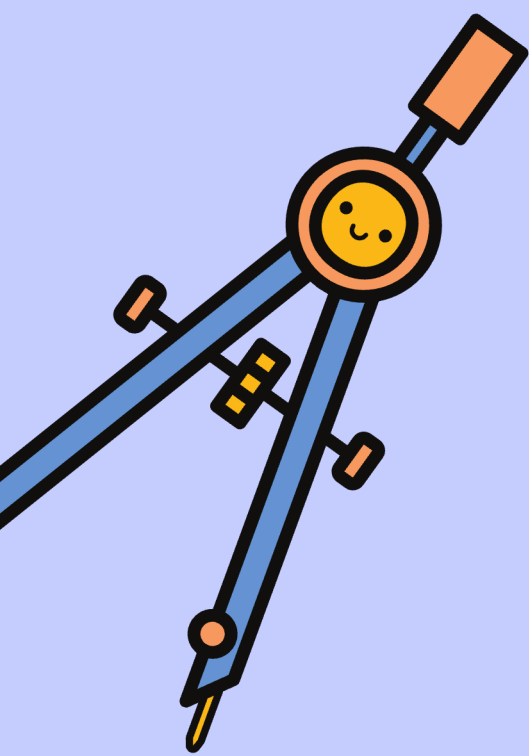


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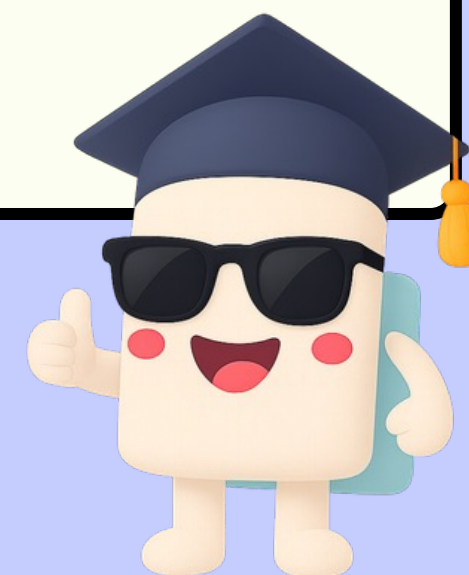
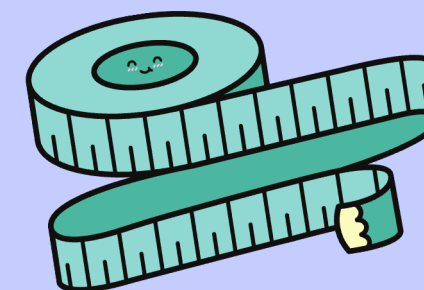
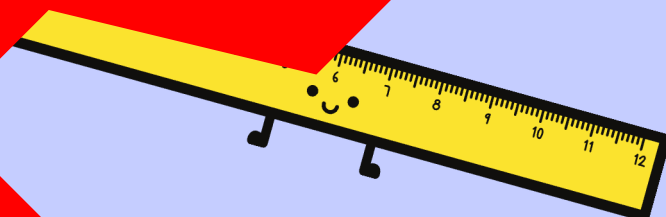
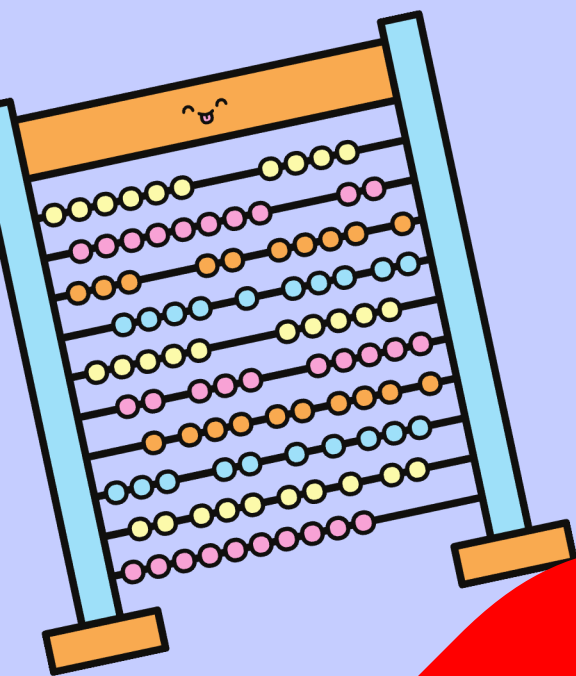
1. Notice the numbers.
2. Choose a helpful strategy.
3. Solve and check.

Tell a partner: Which strategy feels easiest for you? Which would you use it?





Well Done!



Strategies for Addition Quiz



Question 1

True or False

For $4 + 13$, it is helpful to start at 1 and count on 4.



Answer 1

True

Starting at the first number, efficient:

13, 14, 15, 16

15, 4 + 13 = 17.



Question 2

What is 12

- A. 14
- B. 15
- C. 16
- D. 17



Answer 2

B. 15

Start counting from 3:

13, 14, 15



Question 3

Short answer

What number is added to 5 to make 10?



Answer 3

3

= 10.



Question 4

To bridge through ten for $8 + 5$, how can 5 be split?

A. 1 and 4

B. 2 and 3

C. 3 and 3

D. 5 and 5



Answer 4

B. 2 and

$$8 + 2 = 10 \text{ and } 10 + 3 = 13.$$



Question 5

True or False

64 is double of

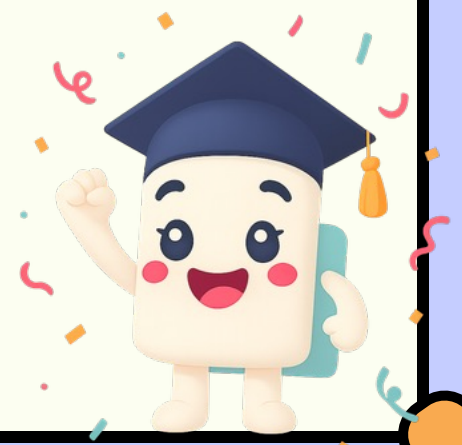


Answer 5

True

The two addends are equal, so this is a double.

$$6 + 6 =$$



Question 6

Use a near double to solve $6 + 7$.

- A. 12
- B. 13
- C. 14
- D. 15



Answer 6

B. 13

Double 6 is 12. Add 1 more to get 13.



Question 7

Short answer

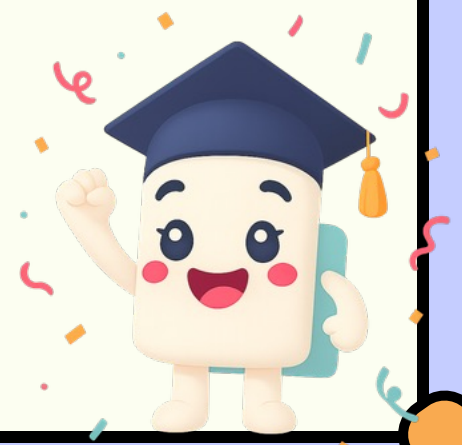
The numbers 9 and 7 are coprime.
What is the least common multiple of 9 and 7?



Answer 7

14

$9 + 5 = 14$ the whole is 14.



Question 8

Which addition is equal to $3 + 15$ and easier to count on?

- A. $12 + 12$
- B. $15 + 3$
- C. $15 - 3$
- D. $18 + 3$



Answer 8

B. $15 + 3$

Swapping the addends keeps the sum the same and lets us count on from 15.



Question 4

Short answer

Mia has 8 red counters and 4 blue counters.
How many counters does she have altogether?



Answer 9

12 counts

= 12.



Question 10

Which is an efficient strategy for 9

- A. Count each object from 1
- B. Bridge through 10
- C. Subtract 6
- D. Guess



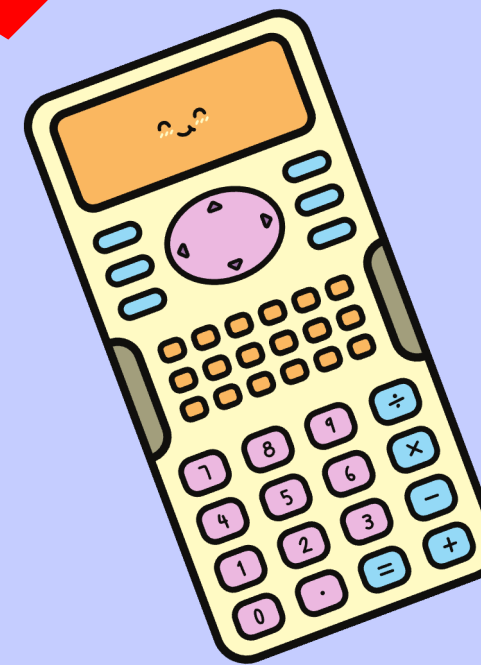
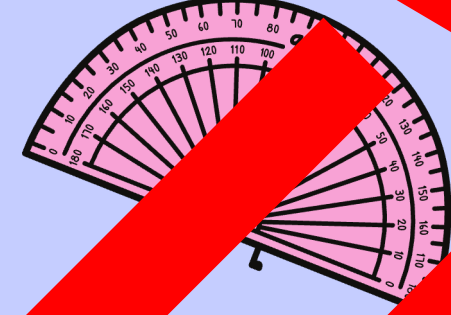
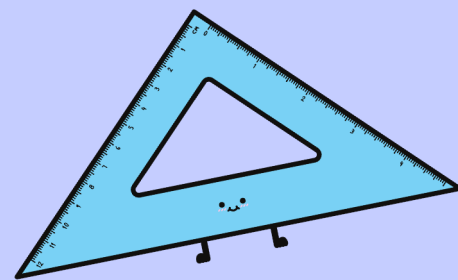
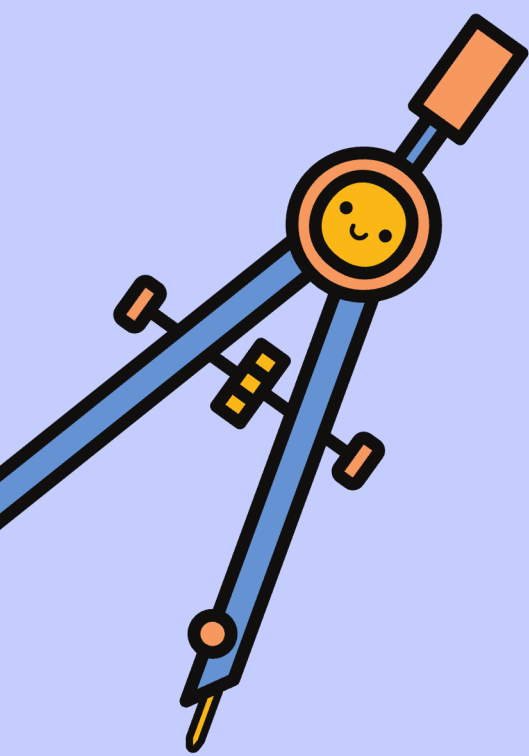
Answer 10

B. Bridge through ten

Step 1 and 2

$$+ 1 + 5 = 10 + 5 = 15$$





Well Done!

