Developing Essential Understandings of Addition & Subtraction

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Addition and subtraction are essential to understand deeply because they are foundational to many other mathematical concepts.

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What does this mean for K-2?

Activities in **kindergarten** should center on joining and separating sets Build on sequential counting

★ Using counters:

Addition:Count all; Count on from the first number; Count on from the larger number

Subtraction: count back, count down, count up from

- \star Using number cubes and dominoes
- ★ Using five-frame and ten-frame

In **grade 1**, instruction should focus on developing students' understanding of addition and subtraction as well as related facts and strategies associated with these operations.

In **grade 2**, the instructional focus should shift to helping students develop quick recall of addition and related subtraction facts, as well as **fluency** with multi-digit addition and subtraction

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| | Addition and S | Subtraction Situations by G | ade Level |
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| | Result Unknown | Change Unknown | Start Unknown |
| Add To | A bunnes sat on the grass. B more bunnies hopped there. How many bunnies are on the grass now? A + B = | A bunnies were sitting on the grass. Some more bunnies hopped there. Then there were C bunnies. How many bunnies hopped over to the first A bunnies? A + = C | Some bunnies were sitting on the grass. B more bunnies hopped there. Then there were C bunnies. How many bunnies were on the grass_before? $\square + B = C$ |
| Take From | C apples were on the table. I ate B apples. How many apples are on the table now? C - B = | C apples were on the table. I ate some apples. Then there were A apples. How many apples did I eat? C - $\square = A$ | Some apples were on the table. I ate B apples. Then there were A apples. How many apples were on the table before? $\square - B = A$ |
| | Total Unknown | Both Addends Unknown | Addend Unknown ² |
| Put Together/ Take Apart | A red apples and B green apples are on the table. How many apples are on the table? $A + B = \square$ | Grandma has C flowers. How many can she put in her red vase and how many in her blue vase? | C apples are on the table. A are red and the rest are green. How many apples are green? $A + \Box = C$ $C - A = \Box$ |
| | Difference Unknown | Bigger Unknown | Smaller Unknown |
| are | "How many more?" version. Lucy has A apples. Julie has C apples. How many more apples does Julie have than Lucy? | "More" version suggests operation. Julie has B more apples than Lucy. Lucy has A apples. How many apples does Julie have? | "Fewer" version suggests operation. Lucy has B fewer apples than Julie. Julie has C apples. How many apples does Lucy have? |
| Comp. | "How many fewer?" version | "Fewer" version suggests wrong operation. | "More" version suggests wrong operation. |
| | Lucy has A apples. Julie has C apples. How many fewer apples does Lucy have than | Lucy has B fewer apples than Julie. Lucy has A apples. How many apples does Julie have? | Julie has B more apples than Lucy. Julie has C apples. How many apples does Lucy have? |

Pink shading indicates the four Kindergarten problem subtypes. Grade 1 and 2 students work with all subtypes and variants. Blue shaded problems are the four difficult subtypes or variants that students should work with in Grade 1 but need not master until Grade 2.

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¹ This can be used to show all decompositions of a given number, expectivly important for numbers within 10. Equations with totals on the left help children understand that edoes not always mean "makes" or "results in" but always means "is the same number as." Such problems are not a problems abupe with one unicourt, as is the Accent Unicourts bubge to the right. These problems are a productly variation with two unicourts that give expensions with inding all of the decompositons of a number and reliading on the patients involved. ¹ Effert accent on the unicourt, both variations should be inducted.

The National Research Council concluded that attaining

computational fluency - the efficient, appropriate, and flexible

application of single-digit and multi-digit calculation skills - is an

essential aspect of mathematical proficiency.

Adapted from Adding It Up: Helping Children Learn Mathematics (Kilpatric, Swafford, and Findell 2001)



Developing Fluency

- Fast and accurate recall and use of basic facts.
- Automaticity is the ability to recall answers with both speed and accuracy at an unconscious level.
- Students develop quick fact recall by using their own or common **strategies** to promote their retention.



Bay-Williams, Jennifer. "Enriching Addition and Subtraction Fact Mastery through Games." Teaching Children Mathematics 21.4 (2014): 238-47. Print.

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Common Addition Strategies

- **Doubles**... all the facts that have two addends that are the same quantity
- **Commutative Property**... Ex: realization that 2 + 5 and 5 + 2 result in the same sum
- Additive identity... adding 0 to a number
- 1 or 2 more than... increasing a given number by 1 or
 2
- Near doubles... derive facts from known doubles
- Combinations that make 10... addition facts for sums of 10
- Using a Make Ten Strategy... addition two one digit numbers with a sum above ten

Number Talks



Common Subtraction Strategies

- **Think addition** (fact families)... natural and unconscious when prompted to look at the relationship of the total
- Down over 10... using 10 as a benchmark
- Take from 10... whole number combinations that sum to 10
- Compare... (Part-whole)

Basic Fact Practice



- 1. Work with a friend. Each of you needs to collect a mat and dry erase marker.
- 2. Choose a number between 6 and 20 that you will both write inside the star on your mat.
- 3. Fill in all the sections on your mats.
- 4. Compare your mats. What is the same about your mats? What is different?

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Development for basic fact mastery

| | Addition | Subtraction |
|-----------|--|--|
| COUNTING | Direct modeling Counting objects and fingers | Counting objects |
| | Counting abstractly | Counting fingers |
| REASONING | Add 0; add 1 or 2; Commutative Property | Subtract 0; subtract 1 or 2 |
| | Foundational facts | Inverse/complement of foundational facts |
| | Derived facts | Inverse/complement of derived facts |
| RETREIVAL | From long-term memory | From long-term memory |

Required fluency

| Grade | Standard | Fluency |
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| K | K.OA.5. | Add and subtract within 5 |
| 1 | 1.OA.6. | Add and subtract within 10 |
| 2 | 2.OA.2. | Add and subtract within 20 using mental strategies (know from memory all sums of two one-digit numbers) |
| 2 | 2.NBT.5. | Add and subtract within 100 |
| 3 | 3.NBT.3 | Add and subtract within 1000 |
| 4 | 4.NBT.4 | Add and subtract multi-digit whole numbers using the standard algorithm |

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Solving with Multiple Methods



In order to fully implement **Common Core State** Standards, it is necessary to adjust some traditional teaching practices. One way to do this is to deemphasize the answer and focus on the use of multiple strategies.



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