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Addition Within 10

Build math confidence with simple addition • Ages 4–6

For Parents

- Start with adding 1, then 2, then work up to sums of 10.
- Use real objects (blocks, cereal, fingers) to model each problem.
- Say the problem aloud: "2 plus 3 equals..."
- If your child gets stuck, use counting fingers.
- Aim for 10–15 problems per session.

Adding 1

Example

3 + 1 = 4

1 + 1 = ___	2 + 1 = ___	3 + 1 = ___	4 + 1 = ___	5 + 1 = ___
6 + 1 = ___	7 + 1 = ___	8 + 1 = ___	9 + 1 = ___	0 + 1 = ___

Adding 2

1 + 2 = ___	2 + 2 = ___	3 + 2 = ___	4 + 2 = ___	5 + 2 = ___
6 + 2 = ___	7 + 2 = ___	8 + 2 = ___	0 + 2 = ___	2 + 0 = ___

Adding 3

1 + 3 = ___	2 + 3 = ___	3 + 3 = ___	4 + 3 = ___	5 + 3 = ___
6 + 3 = ___	7 + 3 = ___	0 + 3 = ___	3 + 0 = ___	3 + 4 = ___

Mixed Addition (Sums to 5)

1 + 1 = ___	2 + 1 = ___	0 + 5 = ___	3 + 2 = ___	1 + 4 = ___
2 + 2 = ___	4 + 1 = ___	1 + 3 = ___	2 + 3 = ___	0 + 4 = ___
5 + 0 = ___	3 + 1 = ___	1 + 2 = ___	0 + 3 = ___	4 + 0 = ___

Mixed Addition (Sums to 10)

3 + 4 = ___	5 + 2 = ___	6 + 1 = ___	4 + 4 = ___	2 + 6 = ___
5 + 5 = ___	7 + 2 = ___	3 + 6 = ___	8 + 1 = ___	4 + 5 = ___
1 + 9 = ___	6 + 4 = ___	2 + 8 = ___	7 + 3 = ___	5 + 4 = ___
3 + 7 = ___	9 + 1 = ___	6 + 3 = ___	8 + 2 = ___	4 + 6 = ___

Word Problems

Read each problem. Write the number sentence and answer.

1. Sam has 3 apples. He gets 2 more. How many now?

___ + ___ = ___

2. There are 4 birds on a branch. 1 more lands. How many total?

___ + ___ = ___

3. Mom baked 5 cookies. Dad baked 3 cookies. How many altogether?

___ + ___ = ___

4. You have 2 red balls and 6 blue balls. How many balls in all?

___ + ___ = ___

5. There are 7 ducks in the pond. 3 more swim over. How many now?

___ + ___ = ___