Joining and taking away

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A sample from this topic. The complete topic collection contains three different resources and worked solutions.

Work with an adult. Show, say, draw or build your answers. Use the explanations and example first.

What you will practise

• Joining and taking away

• Explain and check an answer with an appropriate representation.

Useful starting skills: Use objects, drawings or a number line to explain a simple idea.

Adding joins quantities or puts more into a collection. Subtracting takes some away. Act out the story before using a number sentence.

Pretend one-dollar tokens can stand for money in simple shop games. Count the tokens you have, give or receive the stated number, then count again.

Worked example

There are 4 blocks. Add 3 more. How many now?

Keep the 4 blocks together and bring 3 more.

Count the whole collection or count on:5, 6, 7.

Answer: 7

Try it yourself

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Put out 3 counters. Add 2 more. How many now?

2. Put out 7 counters. Take away 3. How many remain?

Answers and explanations

Check the method as well as the final answer. An alternative correct method is also valid.

1. 5

Join the two collections and count each object once. The result is 5.

2. 4

Remove the objects and count those left. The result is 4.

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