1st grade math
PARENT GUIDES

for the
common core

Notes to the Teacher

Friends,

In this resource, you will find 10 Math Guides to help partner families with what is going on in the classroom. Many families want to help their child with math at home but are unfamiliar with the concepts or unsure of the vocabulary. These guides provide a quick overview of several math concepts and vocabulary.

When beginning a new unit, I print the appropriate guide and send it home on the back of our newsletter. I will also include the guides stapled to the front of our District Common Assessments.

Handouts/Guides in this resource include:
- 6 Math Terms to Know
- Subitizing Numbers
- 120s Chart and Place Value
- Addition Strategies (2 pages)
- Part, Part, Whole
- Making 10 to Add
- Subtraction Strategies
- Making 10 to Subtract
- Geometry
- Fractions

Although these guided are aligned with the 1st Grade Common Core, they do not mention Common Core (except the 6 Math Terms to Know which is provided in a version without the Common Core mentioned). The guides are found inside a PDF document and not editable at this time.

Happy Teaching!
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The Brown Bag Teacher
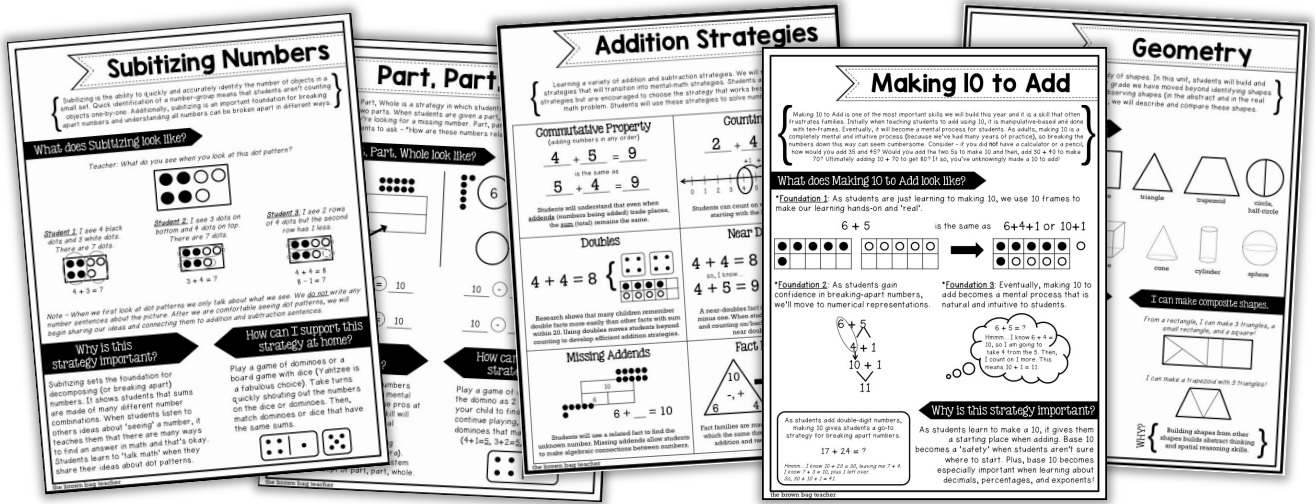
6 Math Terms to Know
{for Primary Families}

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Common Core

www.corestandards.org

The Common Core State Standards are expectations our state has adopted to provide a framework for teaching, answering the question - what should our students know by the end of the year? As a school, we use curriculum to guide the methods we use to teach the Common Core Standards.

Ten Frame

a structured way to work with numbers within 10

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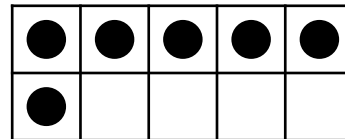
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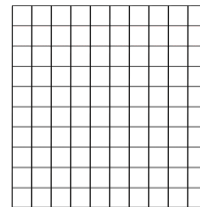
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the ability to quickly identify the number of items in a small set without counting

WHY? { Subitizing helps students create a mental picture & builds number sense. }

120s Chart

a number line formatted so students can easily identify number patterns

{ Understanding the 120s Chart allows students to see patterns within number sequences, as well as, easily work with 10 more/less, 1 more/less. Creates automaticity with numbers.

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an understanding of number relationships that allows students to work mathematical problems without a traditional algorithm

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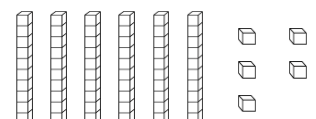
Place Value

numerical value of a digit based on its position

WHY? { Place value allows students to understand that 15 is not a "1" and a "5"; rather, it is a group of 10 and 5 ones. }

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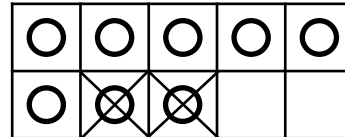
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a structured way to work with numbers within 10

WHY? { Develops mental-math abilities and sets foundation for regrouping. 10 frames allow students to each group and see numbers. }
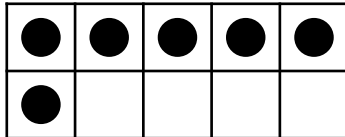
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10 = 6 + ____
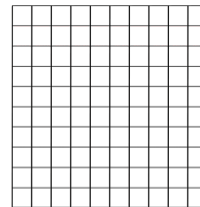
8 - 2 = ____

____ = 8 - 2

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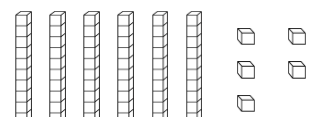
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Subitizing Numbers

{ Subitizing is the ability to quickly and accurately identify the number of objects in a small set. Quick identification of a number-group means that students aren't counting objects one-by-one. Additionally, subitizing is an important foundation for breaking apart numbers and understanding all numbers can be broken apart in different ways. }

What does Subitizing look like?
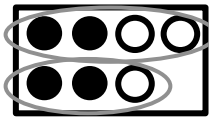
Teacher: What do you see when you look at this dot pattern?
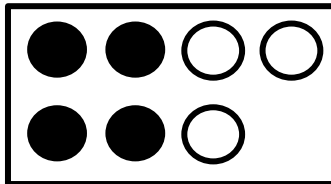
Student 1: *I see 4 black dots and 3 white dots. There are 7 dots.*
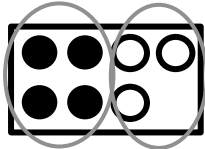
$4 + 3 = 7$

Student 2: *I see 3 dots on bottom and 4 dots on top. There are 7 dots.*

$3 + 4 = 7$

Student 3: *I see 2 rows of 4 dots but the second row has 1 less.*
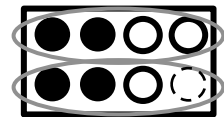
$4 + 4 = 8$
$8 - 1 = 7$

Note – When we first look at dot patterns we only talk about what we see. We <u>do not</u> write any number sentences about the picture. After we are comfortable seeing dot patterns, we will begin sharing our ideas and connecting them to addition and subtraction sentences.

Why is this strategy important?

Subitizing sets the foundation for decomposing (or breaking apart) numbers. It shows students that sums are made of many different number combinations. When students listen to others ideas about 'seeing' a number, it teaches them that there are many ways to find an answer in math and that's okay. Students learn to 'talk math' when they share their ideas about dot patterns.

How can I support this strategy at home?

Play a game of dominoes or a board game with dice (Yahtzee is a fabulous choice). Take turns quickly shouting out the numbers on the dice or dominoes. Then, match dominoes or dice that have the same sums.
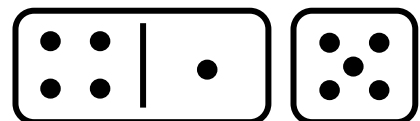
120 Chart & Place Value

{ Place Value helps set the foundation for addition and subtraction as students are able to identify number relationships on the 120s chart. Then, we start building two-digit numbers using tens and ones. This progresses into ordering and comparing numbers. }

I can read & write numbers to 120.

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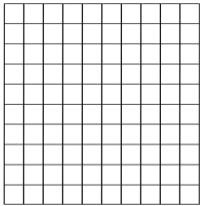
{ Understanding the 120s Chart allows students to see patterns within number sequences, as well as, easily work with 10 more/less, 1 more/less. This creates automaticity with numbers.

67	68	69	70
77	78	79	80
87	88	89	90
97	98	99	100

For example, students will learn 100 has 1 more one than 99, so it is just to right of 99 on the chart. 100 has 1 more ten than 90, so it is just below 90 on the chart.

I can order numbers using place value.

Place these numbers in order from least to greatest.

64   81   57   36

36	57	64	81

Place these numbers in order from greatest to least.

72   31   28   49

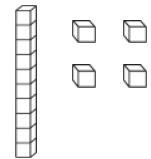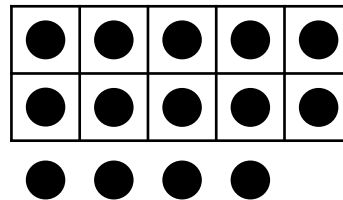| 72	49	31	28

I can show numbers as tens & ones.

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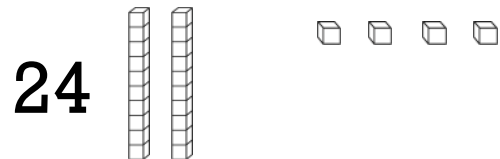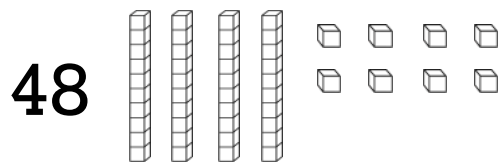
WHY? { Place value allows students to understand that 14 is not a "1" and a "4"; rather, it is composed of a group of 10 and 4 ones. }

I can compare numbers (<, >, =).

Which number is greater?

48

24

_____48_____ is greater than _____24_____ .

48 > 24

Students understand that the number with more tens is the greatest number. Should a number have the same amount of tens, students then compare the ones.

Addition Strategies

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Commutative Property
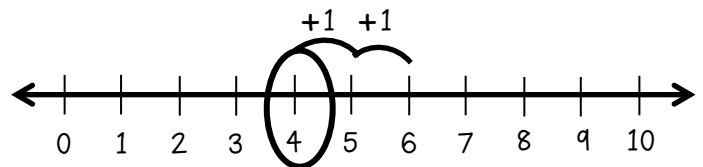(adding numbers in any order)

$$\underline{\quad 4 \quad} + \underline{\quad 5 \quad} = \underline{\quad 9 \quad}$$

is the same as

$$\underline{\quad 5 \quad} + \underline{\quad 4 \quad} = \underline{\quad 9 \quad}$$

Students will understand that even when addends (numbers being added) trade places, the sum (total) remains the same.

Counting On

$$\underline{\quad 2 \quad} + \underline{\quad 4 \quad} = \underline{\quad 6 \quad}$$

+1 +1

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Students can count on when adding 1, 2, or 3 starting with the largest addend.

Doubles

$$4 + 4 = 8$$
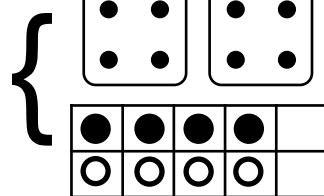
Research shows that many children remember double facts more easily than other facts with sum within 20. Using doubles moves students beyond counting to develop efficient addition strategies.
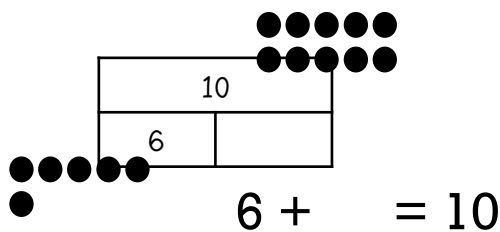
Near Doubles

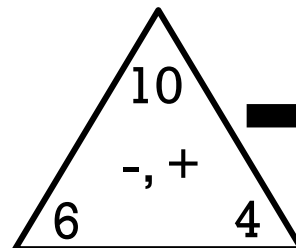$$4 + 4 = 8$$

so, I know...

$$4 + 5 = 9$$

A near-doubles fact is a doubles fact plus or minus one. When students know both doubles and counting on/back fluently, they can solve near doubles mentally.

Missing Addends

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

Students will use a related fact to find the unknown number. Missing addends allow students to make algebraic connections between numbers.

Fact Families

10
-, +
6   4

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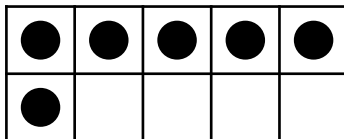
_____ + 6 = 10

10 = 6 + _____

Number Stories

Matt has 6 baseballs in his room. Carson has 4 baseballs in his toy box. How many baseballs do Matt and Carson have altogether?

Students will learn addition strategies in context through number stories (i.e. story/word problems). Providing context allows students to make real-world connections.

Addition of 3 Addends

Students will add 3 numbers by combining various addition strategies based on the addends given.

$$3 + 7 + 3 = ?$$

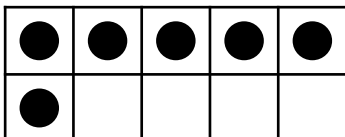| Student 1	Student 2
First, I added 3 and 7 because I knew they made 10. Then, I counted on 3 more. 10 → 11 → 12 → 13	I knew my doubles fact 3 + 3 was equal to 6. Then, I had 6 + 7 which I know is a near double. So, 6 + 6 = 12 plus one more is 13.

Making 10 to Add

As students learn to make a 10, it gives them a foundation when adding. Base 10 becomes a 'safety' when students aren't sure where to start. Plus, base 10 becomes especially important when learning about decimals, percentages, and exponents in intermediate grades!

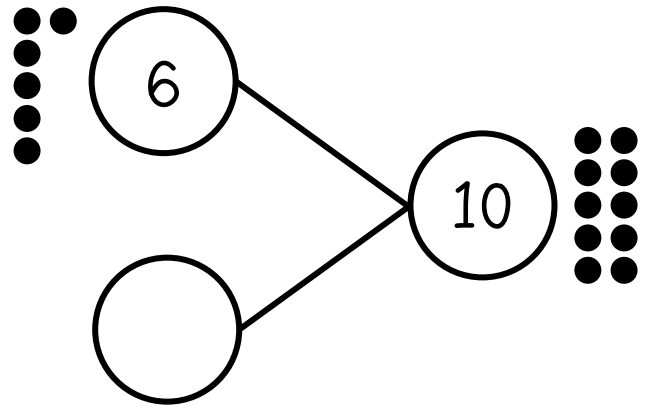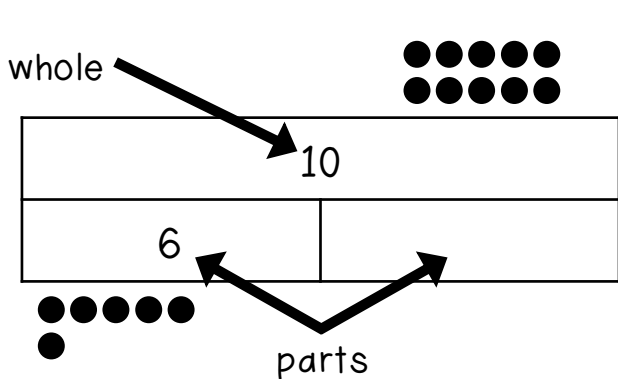6 + 5   is the same as   6+4+1 or 10+1
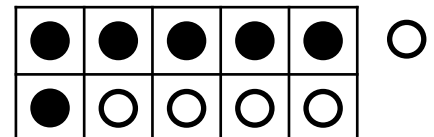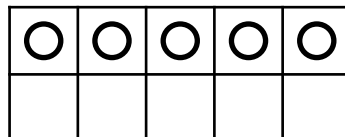
Part, Part, Whole

{ Part, Part, Whole is a strategy in which students see a number is made of two parts. When students are given a part, part, whole diagram, they're looking for a missing number. Part, part, whole encourages students to ask – "How are these numbers related to one another?" }

What does Part, Part, Whole look like?

whole → 10

6   parts

6 (+) ? (=) 10

? (+) 6 (=) 10

6

10

10 (-) 6 (=) ?

10 (-) ? (=) 6

Why is this strategy important?

Eventually, breaking apart numbers (decomposing) will become a mental strategy. As students become pros at decomposing numbers, this skill will translate to other mathematical processes such as adding, subtracting, and finding missing addends (a precursor to algebra). Traditional "fact families" also stem from the concept of part, part, whole.

How can I support this strategy at home?

Play a game of dominoes. Consider the domino as 2 parts. Challenge your child to find the whole. As you continue playing, try finding other dominoes that match that whole.

(4+1=5, 3+2=5, 0+5 =5, 6-1=5)
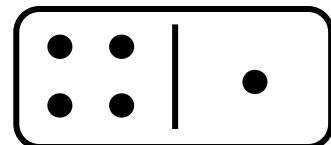
Making 10 to Add

Making 10 to Add is one of the most important skills we will build this year and it is a skill that often frustrates families. Initially when teaching students to add using 10, it is manipulative-based and done with ten-frames. Eventually, it will become a mental process for students. As adults, making 10 is a completely mental and intuitive process (because we've had many years of practice), so breaking the numbers down this way can seem cumbersome. Consider - if you did **not** have a calculator or a pencil, how would you add 35 and 45? Would you add the two 5s to make 10 and then, add 30 + 40 to make 70? Ultimately adding 10 + 70 to get 80? If so, you've unknowingly made a 10 to add!

What does Making 10 to Add look like?

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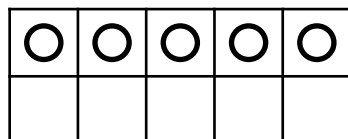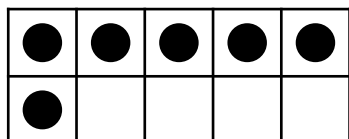
$$6 + 5$$ is the same as $$6+4+1 \text{ or } 10+1$$
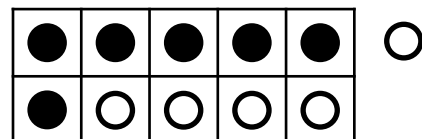
*<u>Foundation 2</u>: As students gain confidence in breaking-apart numbers, we'll move to numerical representations.

$$6 + 5$$
$$4 + 1$$
$$10 + 1$$
$$11$$

*<u>Foundation 3</u>: Eventually, making 10 to add becomes a mental process that is natural and intuitive to students.

6 + 5 = ?
Hmmm... I know 6 + 4 = 10, so I am going to take 4 from the 5. Then, I count on 1 more. This means 10 + 1 = 11.

Why is this strategy important?
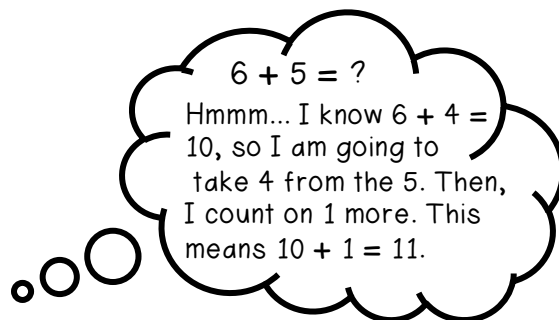
As students add double-digit numbers, making 10 gives students a go-to strategy for breaking apart numbers.

$$17 + 24 = ?$$

Hmmm... I know 10 + 20 = 30, leaving me 7 + 4. I know 7 + 3 = 10, plus 1 left over. So, 30 + 10 + 1 = 41.

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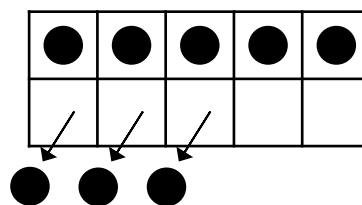
Draw a Picture

9 – 3 = ____
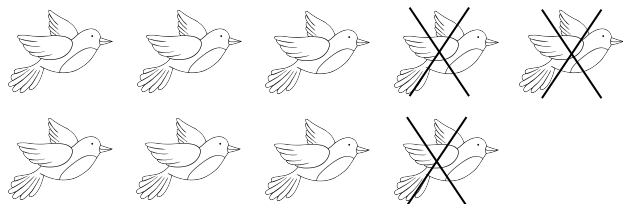
Before students have a variety of strategies to choose from, they may choose to draw a picture or counters to show their thinking.

Ten Frame

8 – 3 = ____

I know that 8 minus 3 is the same as 5.

Counting Back

$$\underline{\quad 6 \quad} - \underline{\quad 2 \quad} = \underline{\quad 4 \quad}$$

-1 -1

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
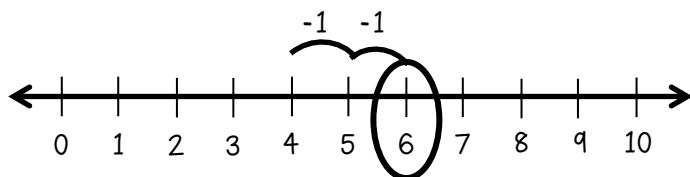
Students can count back when subtracting 1, 2, or 3 starting with the largest subtrahend.

Near Doubles

$$5 + 5 = 10$$
so, I know...
$$4 + 5 = 9$$
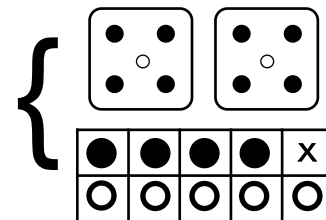
A near-doubles fact is a doubles fact plus or minus one. When students know both doubles and counting on/back fluently, they can solve near doubles mentally.

Missing Addends

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6

10 – 6 = ___

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Fact Families

10

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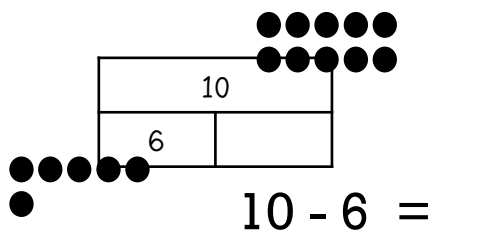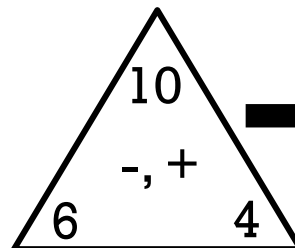
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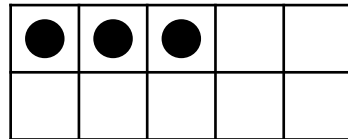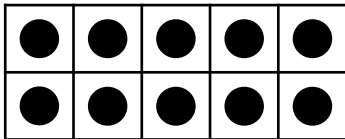
Making 10 to Subtract

Making 10 to Subtract is one of many subtraction strategies students will learn this year and it is a skill that often frustrates families. Initially when teaching students to subtract using 10, it is manipulative-based and done with ten-frames. Eventually, it will become a mental process for students. As adults, making 10 is a completely mental and intuitive process (because we've had many years of practice), so breaking the numbers down this way can seem cumbersome. Additionally, Making 10 to Subtract is a strategy many students will naturally gravitate towards while other students may prefer another strategy (and that is okay!).

What does Making 10 to Subtract look like?

*Foundation 1: As students are just learning to make 10, we use 10 frames to make our learning hands-on and 'real'.

13 - 5   is the same as   13 - 3 - 2 = 8
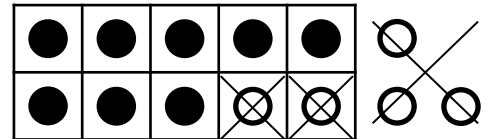
*Foundation 2: As students gain confidence in breaking-apart numbers, we'll move to numerical representations.

13 - 5
↓
13 - 3 - 2
10 - 2
8
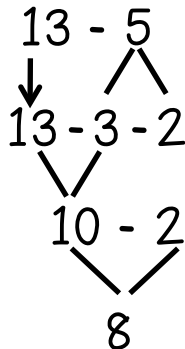
*Foundation 3: Eventually, making 10 to subtract becomes a mental process that is natural and intuitive to students.

13 - 5 = ?
Hmmm... I know 13 - 3 = 10, so I am going to take 2 more away from the 10. This means 10 - 2 = 8. So, I know 13 - 5 = 8.
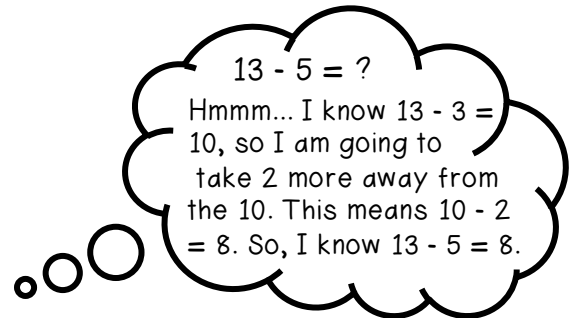
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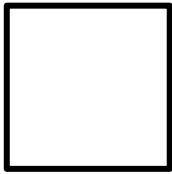
Geometry

{ Geometry is the study of shapes. In this unit, students will build and describe shapes. In 1st grade we have moved beyond identifying shapes and will spend time observing shapes (in the abstract and in the real world). Additionally, we will describe and compare these shapes. }
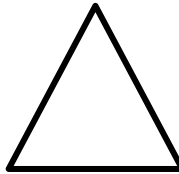
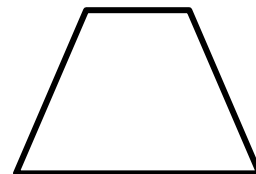## Shapes We Learn With in 1st Grade
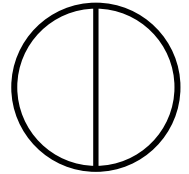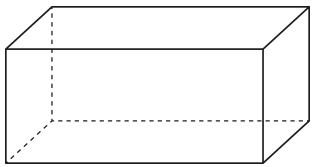
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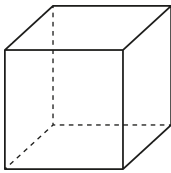
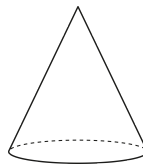rectangle   square   triangle   trapezoid   circle, half-circle

3D/Round Shapes {

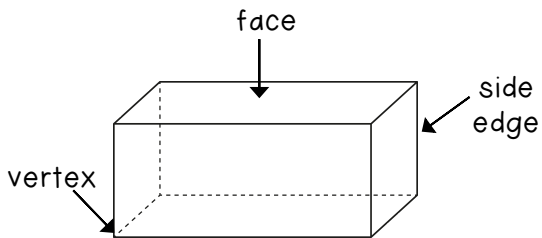rectangular prism   cube   cone   cylinder   sphere
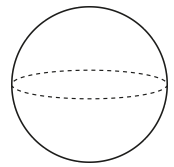
I can describe a shape.

Shapes can be described using defining attributes and non-defining attributes. **Defining attributes** include sides, faces, vertices, open/closed. **Non-defining attributes** include color, size, position.
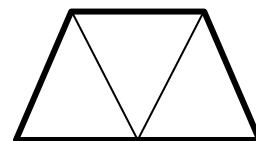
face

side edge

vertex

Student: This is a rectangular prism. It is a 3D shape with 6 faces – 2 square faces and 4 rectangular faces. It has 12 edges and 8 vertices.

I can make composite shapes.

From a rectangle, I can make 3 triangles, a small rectangle, and a square!
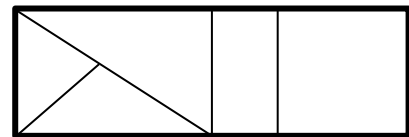
*I can make a trapezoid with 3 triangles!*

WHY? { Building shapes from other shapes builds abstract thinking and spatial reasoning skills. }

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Fractions

{ During our study of fractions, vocabulary is incredibly important. Before introducing typical fraction notation, we will talk about what we see and how we can manipulate parts of shapes into equal shares. }

I can partition (split) rectangles and circles into 2 and 4 shares.

When partitioning or splitting shapes, it is important that students know that the shares of the shape must be equal.
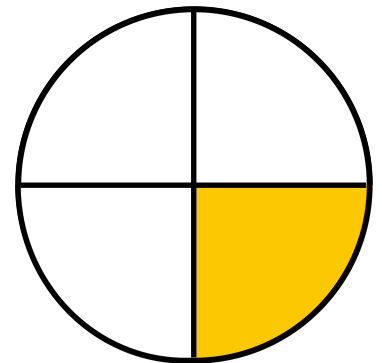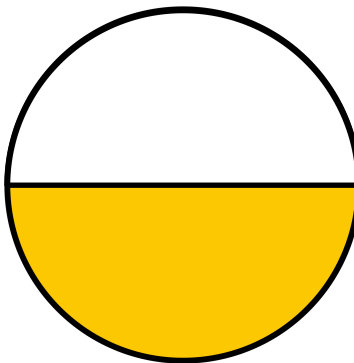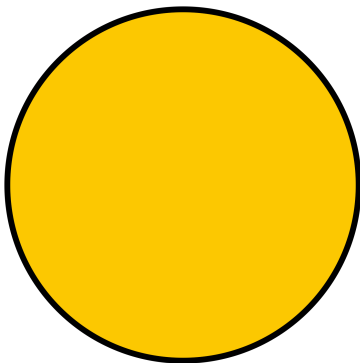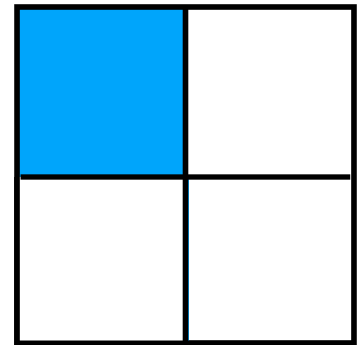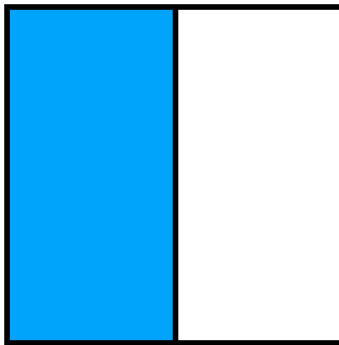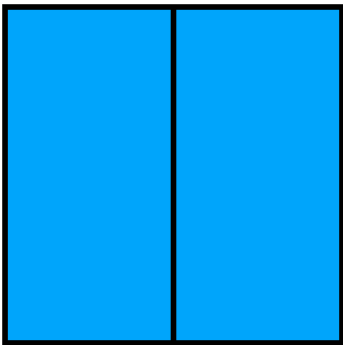
| whole	half	quarter
a whole of	one half of	one fourth of
all the equal shares are present & part of the whole	the shape has been split into 2 equal shares	the shape has been split into 4 equal shares
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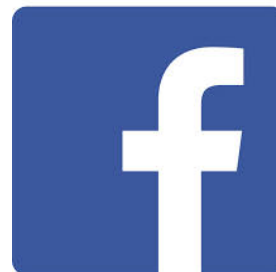
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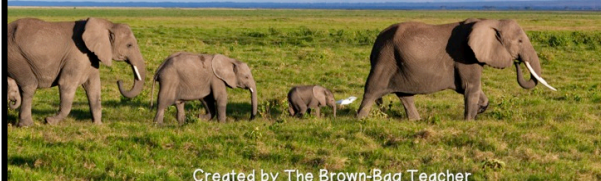
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