8 Numbers

How do they say it?

Symbol	Interpretation	Example
=	is, equals, comes to	½ = 0.5 One-half equals point five.
+	and, plus, add	a + b = c A and B comes to C.
−	minus, less, subtract	a − b = c A less B is C.
X	times, multiplied by	a x b = c A times B equals C.
⅞	seven eighths	a / b A Bths
1,200	one thousand two hundred or twelve hundred	The repair cost twelve hundred dollars.

Get ready!

1 Before you read the passage, talk about these questions.

1 How do you say symbols like = and +?
2 What endings should you add to fractions when saying them aloud?

Reading

2 Read the chart. Then, mark the following statements as true (T) or false (F).

1 ___ Eight less two means the same thing as eight minus two.
2 ___ Seven times six equals seven plus six.
3 ___ ¾ is pronounced three times eight.

Vocabulary

3 Fill in the blanks with the correct words and phrases from the word bank.

Word BANK

add	times	less
plus	comes to	hundred

1 Three _____ two is six.
2 Four plus seven _____ eleven.
3 Fifty _____ twenty equals thirty.
4 One thousand plus four hundred is fourteen _____ .
5 To get ten, _____ three and seven.
6 Fifteen _____ two is seventeen.

4 Read the sentence and choose the correct word.

1 Six **plus / divided by** three is nine.
2 Ten **and / less** eight equals two.
3 Start with eight, **subtract / add** two: this equals six.
4 Four **multiplied by / comes to** two is eight.
5 Five plus six **equals / less** eleven.

Speaking

8 With a partner, act out the roles below based on Task 7. Then switch roles.

USE LANGUAGE SUCH AS:

Are you busy?
Can you grab ...
Can I get a ...

LIVEWORKSHEETS