Name _____

Lesson 2-2

Comparing and Ordering Numbers

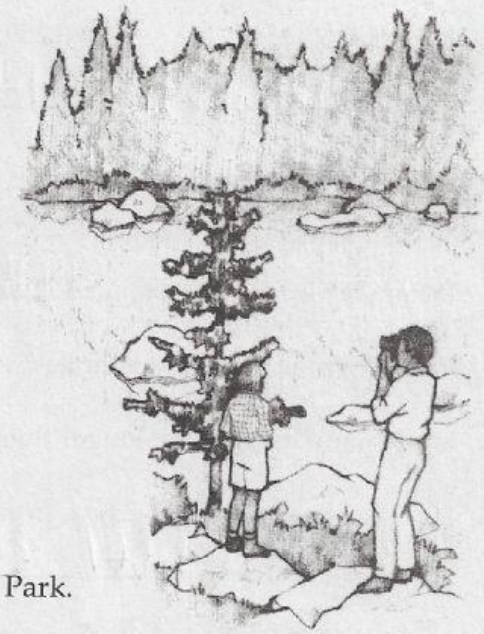
It's Algebra!

There are six U.S. national parks between 200,000 and 250,000 acres in size. Which is larger, Capitol Reef Park or Channel Islands Park?

U.S. National Parks	Acres
Capitol Reef (Utah)	241,904
Channel Islands (Calif.)	249,354
Volcanoes (Hawaii)	209,695
Mt. Rainier (Wash.)	235,612
Rocky Mountain (Colo.)	265,727
Voyageurs (Minn.)	218,035

We want to name the larger of the two national parks.

We know that Capitol Reef Park has _____ acres and Channel Islands Park has _____ acres.



To compare numbers, write them in a column so that the ones digits are aligned.

241,904

249,354

Start at the left and compare digits. The hundred thousands are the same. The ten thousands are the same. But 9 thousands are greater than 1 thousand.

249,354 > 241,904

_____ Park is larger than _____ Park.

Getting Started

Write < or > in each circle.

1. 364 ◯ 374
2. 3,296 ◯ 3,293
3. 7,243 ◯ 7,234
4. 23,015 ◯ 23,150
5. 16,894 ◯ 17,894
6. 8,674 ◯ 986

Order the numbers from least to greatest.

7. 396, 387, 390 _____
8. 9,500; 9,275; 9,268 _____
9. 459, 470, 453, 460 _____
10. 74,601; 74,106; 74,016 _____
11. 952,650; 592,065; 529,056 _____