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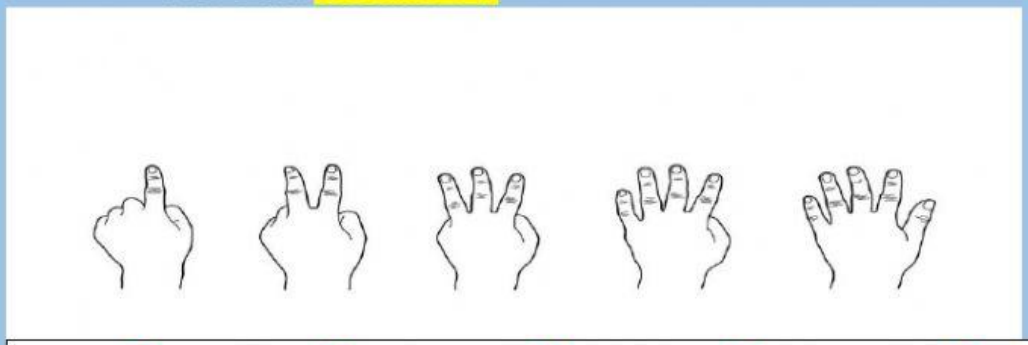
Mathematics – Finding the Missing Addend

An addend is a number that is added to another number to find the sum.

To find the missing addend in a problem, we can Count On or use Subtraction.

Example: 9 + ___ = 14

We can Count On



10 11 12 13 14

Counting on gives us 5, so the missing addend is 5.

9 + 5 = 14

Another way to find the missing addend is by subtracting.

We can subtract the given addend from the sum or total.

Example: 9 + ? = 14
14 -9 = 5

Count on to find the missing addend in these problems.

1.) 7 + ____ = 13

2.) 4 + ___ = 11

3.) 5 + _____ = 9

4.) 8 + ___ = 16

Use subtraction to find the missing addend in these problems.

5.) 7 + ___ = 12

Think: 12 – 7 = ____

6.) ____ + 9 = 17

Think: 17 – 9 = ____

7.) ____ + 4 = 13

Think: 13 – 4 = ____

8.) 6 + ____ = 6

Think: 6 - 6 = ____

9.) 13 + ____ = 25

Think:
$$\begin{array}{r} 2\ \ 5 \\ -\ 1\ \ 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

10.) ____ + 30 = 62

Think:
$$\begin{array}{r} 6\ \ 2 \\ -\ 3\ \ 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

11.) ____ + 26 = 44

Think:
$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{4}\ \ \cancel{4} \\ -\ 2\ \ 6 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

12.) 59 + ____ = 83

Think:
$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{8}\ \ \cancel{3} \\ -\ 5\ \ 9 \\ \hline \end{array}$$