



# Add Three Numbers

CA Standards  
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You can add 3 numbers in any order.

### Example

Make a ten.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 4 \\ + 7 \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow 10$$

Add the third number.

$$\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ + 4 \\ \hline 14 \end{array}$$

### Example

Add two numbers.

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ 2 \\ + 5 \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow 8$$

Add the third number.

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ + 5 \\ \hline 13 \end{array}$$

Look for two numbers to add first. Find the sum.

1.

$$\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 9 \\ + 1 \\ \hline 15 \end{array}$$

2.

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 3 \\ + 2 \\ \hline 13 \end{array}$$

3.

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ 7 \\ + 3 \\ \hline 17 \end{array}$$

4.

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ 8 \\ + 2 \\ \hline 19 \end{array}$$

5.  $2 + 5 + 9 = \underline{16}$

6.  $6 + 4 + 8 = \underline{18}$



**Writing and Reasoning** How does changing the order help you add three numbers?

**Possible answer: I can choose two numbers that make 10, and that makes adding the third number easier.**