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## Maths Guide

A Guide to Thinking Mathematically

## At Belmore South we think like madheticians



## Problem Solving Strategies

Our students develop a toolbox of flexible strategies to support their maths problem solving.


$$
35+24=59
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
7+5=12 \\
\text { (3) 2 }
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
10+\underline{2}=\underline{12}
$$

Bridging through ten



Area multiplication model


Strategy Toolbox


Compensation


Number combinations

## Number Combinations

Numbers are made up of parts to make a whole. Knowing the different parts of numbers helps us to use other mental maths strategies like Place Value, Bridging and Number Families. It is helpful to know the combinations for numbers

$$
5,10,20,50 \text { and } 100 .
$$



## Friends of Ten



Friends of Ten work together to make maths problems easier. Recognition of number combinations to ten must be automatic.
$0+10=10 \quad 10+0=10$

| $5+5=10$ | $7+3=10$ | $8+2=10$ | $9+1=10$ | $4+6=10$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $19+1=20$ | $13+7=20$ | $12+8=20$ | $11+9=20$ | $15+5=20$ |
| $25+25=50 \quad 35+15=50$ | $45+5=50 \quad 20+30=50$ |  |  |  |

## Bridging

When bridging numbers you add or subtract from the numbers in a problem to make it easier to solve.

Bridging to multiples of 10 helps to make maths problems easier to solve.


$$
37+55=(3+37)+52=40+52=92
$$

## Counting On

Count on by ones from the biggest number to calculate an addition number sentence. Count on by ones from the biggest number to calculate an addition number sentence.

$$
\begin{gathered}
15+9=24 \\
15161719202122 \quad 23 \quad 24 \\
8+5=13 \\
8910111213 \\
20+8=28 \\
2022232425
\end{gathered}
$$

Remember to lock the biggest number in your head and then carefully count along the number line and stop at the second number.
15
$+$
6


## Counting Back

Count back by ones from the biggest number to calculate a subtraction number sentence.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 23-8=15 \\
& 23 \quad 22 \quad 21 \quad 201918 \quad 17 \quad 16 \quad 15 \\
& 30-6=24 \\
& 30 \quad 29 \quad 28 \quad 27 \quad 26 \quad 25 \quad 24 \\
& \begin{array}{llllllllll} 
& 28 & -12=16 \\
28 & 27 & 25 & 24 & 23 & 22 & 21 & 20 & 19 & 18
\end{array} 17 \quad 16 \\
& 21-12=9 \\
& \begin{array}{lllllllllll}
21 & 20 & 19 & 18 & 17 & 16 & 15 & 14 & 13 & 12 & 11
\end{array} 10 \quad 9
\end{aligned}
$$

Remember to lock the biggest number in your head and then carefully count back along the number line and stop at the second number.

$$
13
$$

Keep the first
number in your
memory
-
6
Count back along
the number line 6 spaces and then
stop

13121110987

## Counting On: finding the difference

We can solve subtraction number sentences by Counting On instead of counting back. Sometimes Counting On makes it easier to solve a subtraction problem.


$$
25-16=9
$$

Instead of Counting Back
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllll}25 & 24 & 23 & 22 & 21 & 20 & 19 & 18 & 7 & 16 & 15 & 14 & 13 & 12 & 11 & 10\end{array} 9$ It is easier and quicker to Count On

Start at 16 and stop at 25 $16 \quad 7 \quad 18 \quad 19 \quad 2021 \quad 22 \quad 23 \quad 24 \quad 25$
$39-23=16$
Instead of Counting Back
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}39 & 38 & 37 & 36 & 35 & 34 & 33 & 32 & 31 & 30 & 29 & 28 & 27 & 26\end{array} 25 \quad 24 \quad 23$
$22 \quad 21 \quad 20 \quad 1918 \quad 7 \quad 16$
It is easier and quicker to Count On
Start at 23 and stop at 39
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}23 & 24 & 25 & 26 & 27 & 28 & 29 & 30 & 31 & 32 & 33 & 34 & 35 & 36 & 37 \\ 38 & 39\end{array}$

## Jump Strategy

## With Number lines, we can make jumps to solve number problems.

$124+48=172$ could be shown as:

$155-82=73$ could be shown as:
We can show these differences using a number line:


## Split Strategy: addition

Separate (or partition) numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones and then calculate the answer.

$30+7=$
37

97


$$
200+60+13=
$$

273

Remember to add the hundreds, the tens and the ones together. Don't forget any of the numbers! Place Value can be used as a mental maths strategy by itself and when using other strategies like counting on.

## Split Strategy: subtraction

Separate (or partition) numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones and then calculate the answer.


## Multiplication: grouping

Multiplying in parts helps us to work with smaller numbers. It helps us to use basic number facts (times tables) and number combinations to solve multiplication problems.
$32 \times 6=30 \times 6=180$ and $2 \times 6=12 \quad 180+12=192$
$5 \times 63=60 \times 5=300$ and $3 \times 5=15300+15=315$
$23 \times 18=20 \times 10=200$ and $20 \times 8=160200+160=360$

$$
3 \times 10=30 \text { and } 3 \times 8=24 \begin{aligned}
& 30+24=54 \\
& 360+54=414
\end{aligned}
$$

Area Model
$32 \times 6=192$ strategy students learn in Year 3


The area model is multiplication
strategy students learn in Year 3 that helps break down complex multiplication sums into smaller parts.

## Compensation

Give some from one number to another to make numbers easier to work with.


Move 2 from 7 to the 8 . This will make 10.


Move 2 from the 6 to the 8 .
This will make ten

The compensation strategy is useful when one of the numbers ends in 7,8 or 9 . One number is rounded up to the next 10 and the other number is adjusted to compensate for the original change.

Rounded up to the next 10


## Formal Algorithms

One number is placed above the other number according to its value (hundreds, tens and ones). In this step by step method the numbers are added or subtracted vertically in the ONES, then TENS, then HUNDREDS columns.

Addition $135+54=$ ?

| Hundreds | Tens | Ones |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 3 | , ${ }^{\text {吅 }}$ |
| + | 5 | 1. ${ }^{\prime}$ |
| 1 | 8 | 9 |

The sum of these digits is less than 10 so no trading to the TENS is needed.

Subtraction 257-43=?

| Hundreds | Tens | Ones | Less TENS are being taken away, so no trading is needed. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | '5' | 7 |  |
| - | ' 4 , | 3 |  |
| 2 | 1 | 4 |  |

## Formal Algorithms: trading

## Trading is changing a quantity into smaller or bigger parts without changing its value.

Addition 234 + 58 = ?
Addition problems will involve trading when you add digits in a column and they make more than 10.

| Hundreds | Tens | Ones |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 3 | , 4 |
| + | 5 | , 8 , |
| 2 | 9 | 2 |

4 ones +8 ones $=12$ ones.
We don't put more than 9 in a column.
$12=1$ TEN and 2 ONES so we trade 10 ONES for 1 TEN.

The 1 TEN goes to the TENS column and the 2 remaining ONES stay in their column.

All the TENS in the column are now added together.

Subtraction 245-28 = ?
Subtraction problems will involve trading if there are more ONES, TENS, HUNDREDS in the number being taken away.

This means the children will have to trade some from the larger column, ie ONES will trade with TENS, TENS will trade with HUNDREDS etc.

| Hundreds | Tens | Ones |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | ${ }^{3} 4$ | 1 |
| - | 2 | $\vdots$ |
| 2 | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ |

We can't take 8 away from 5 .
There are more ONES in the number being taken away, so we need to trade 1 TEN into the ONES column to give us 15 ONES. 15 ONES - 8 ONES = 7 ONES

Now we only have 1 TEN left.

## Word Problems

| 5 Steps to solving maths word problems. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Read the problem. |
| Underline important <br> numbers and words. |
| Which operation will |
| you use? |

Word Problems: tape diagram
Tape diagrams are a thinking tool to help you decide which operation to use when problem solving.

Lizzie travels to school on a train for 37 minutes and then on a bus for 16 minutes.
How long does it take Lizzie to travel to school? missing whole


Max swims 73 laps of a swimming pool. He swims 27 laps in backstroke and the rest in freestyle. How many laps did Max swim in freestyle?


## Word Problems

Hidden Number Stories
Read the number story carefully. Highlight the important maths words. Write out the number sentence using the highlighted words to help you Solve the hidden number by adding or subtracting with the numbers you know.

| Number Story | Number Sentence | Calculator Number Sentence |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miss Murray had some fish in her fish tank. She went shopping and bought 7 more fish and now she has 18 . How many fish did Miss Murray have to begin with? | $11+7=18$ | $18-7=11$ |
| Miss Lee had 17 pencils. She gave some pencils out to the children and now she only has 12 left. How many pencils did Miss Lee give out to the children? | $\nabla-5=12$ | $\nabla-12=5$ |
| Sam bought some lollies from shop. She had 3 bags with 4 lollies in each bag. How many lollies did Sam have all together? | $3 \times 4=12$ | $12 \div 3=4$ |
| Mrs Jones had 12 glitter pens. She decided to share them between 3 students. How many pens did each student get? | $12 \div 3=4$ | $4 \times 3=12$ |

## Mathematical Language

Addition plus

$+\quad$| add on |
| :--- |
|  |
| count on |
|  |
| and |
| sum of |

Subtraction take away
= minus
subtract
less than
difference between

Eg: 3 plus 2 equals 5
3 add on 2 equals 5
3 count on 2 equals 5
3 and 2 equals 5
The sum of 3 and 2 is 5
Eg: 8 take away 5 equals 3
8 minus 5 equals 3
8 subtract 5 equals 3
5 less than 8 is 3
The difference between 8 and 5 is 3

Multiplication lots of $\times$

groups of times multiplied by product of

divided by
shared equally
how many groups of

Division quotient of $\div$

Eg: 3 lots of 5 equals 15
3 groups of 5 equals 15
3 times 5 equals 15
3 multiplied by 5 is 15
The product of 3 and 5 is 15

Eg: The quotient of 15 and 5 is 3
15 divided by 5 is 3 is 5
15 shared equally between 3 is 5 How many groups of 5 in 15 ? Answer 3

## For More Information:

## School A to Z: practical help for parents

http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/help-sheets

A Maths Dictionary for Kids
http://www.amathsdictionaryforkids.com/

