

# Verbal MathLesson – Part I

Dear Parent,

This is an eBook version of our soon to be published book – The Verbal MathLesson, Part 1 – suitable for children in K-1 grades.

The problems in this course are meant to be done verbally. You read the problems to the child and she must do them in her head. Do not allow him or her to write anything down. Using fingers to count is OK but should be discouraged.

I am sure that you will find this course uniquely helpful in developing math skills in your child in a fun and easy way.

Thank you and please do contact us with your comments and corrections.

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### *Introduction*

This course is designed to be done verbally without the use of pencil and paper. Emphasis on written over verbal math makes early arithmetic tedious for young children, particularly for those with delay in development of fine motor skills. Often, an insistence on worksheets that require more *writing* than math, leads to a dislike for math in general. Children are generally ahead in their ability to do arithmetic before they are able to write fluently and quickly. We want your child to like math, and learning math as a game helps him or her to do that.

Just as in reading, where children need to develop a basic vocabulary for fluency, the verbal problems in this course also build a basic mathematical vocabulary your child needs to progress further. Similar to our step-by-step reading program, the Reading Lesson, the Verbal MathLesson introduces, then strengthens and continually tests the skills in each lesson before moving on to the next level of complexity.

The Verbal MathLesson is not intended to replace regular schoolwork if your child is in school. It is intended to be a supplement for developing skill and speed.

This book is intended for children in K-1 grades. It is not intended to be handed to the child. The problems must be read to the child, so all calculations and thinking is done in his/her head. You may allow him or her to use fingers if you like.

How accurate and how speedy should the child be? The answer is difficult to give. The human brain, particularly a child's brain, is not an absolutely accurate machine, and our memory is not perfect. The performance is affected by one's health, the time of day and by immediate distractions. Moreover, children differ in their ability to develop accuracy, speed and memory. A general guideline of four seconds for most problems can be used as a gauge to determine if your child is learning the material.

Your child should be able to do a majority of these problems correctly the first time. If not, repeat the lesson next day. Before you progress to a new lesson, make sure that your child can do most of the problems in that lesson easily and quickly.

### *Suggestions*

1. Short periods of practice are better in developing skill and maintain interest. It is impossible to make a hard-and-fast rule regarding the length of a lesson, but it should be long enough to allow each child to get some training.
2. The best way to do these problems is to read the problem to the child and wait for the answer. If your child has difficulty understanding the problem, you may re-read the problem one or more times until it is well understood.
3. You can either read the explanations in the beginning of the lessons aloud to your child or read them to yourself and then explain the new concepts in your own words.
4. Most children can easily do 20 to 30 problems a day. Repeat each lesson until the child gets nearly all problems correct.
5. Subordinate speed to accuracy, but do not neglect speed. Ability to answer these simple problems quickly means mastery. Excessive time on each problem tells you that the child is not ready to move on and that the lesson might need to be repeated.

6. Be creative! Compose the problems yourself along the theme of a lesson. Ask your child to make his or her own problems for you to solve.

### *Who is ready?*

At the beginning of the Verbal MathLesson we would like your child to be able to do these things.

- Be able to count up to 100. (Occasional errors are acceptable, but the concept of decimal increments is most important.)
- Have good command of English language.
- Understand that the number words refer to quantity. (for example 3 little pigs, 7 wonders of the world, 16 candles, etc.)
- Identify written numbers. (single and double digits)
- Understand the concepts of "same as", "more than" and "less than" when referring to numbers.
- Know the difference between right and left and, hopefully, between right and wrong. Although not a primary object of the Verbal Math, the course tries to present the problems with regard to basic societal values and parental authority.
- Recognize basic shapes. (circle, triangle, square, diamond and star)
- Have basic, conceptual understanding of measurements of length. (inches and feet) and weight (ounces, pounds, tons).

Best wishes,

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## Lesson 1- Working with Nothing

Let's learn the concept of 0.

*Teacher:* Clear a desk or a table. Place a pen and say: "There is one pen on the table." Ask: "Are there any pencils on the table?" The answer should be: NO. Say: "There is one pen and no pencils on the table. In math we say, there is one pen and zero pencils on the table. Zero means nothing."

### Exercise I

1. If my feet are bare, that means I am wearing zero socks.
2. If the road is empty, that means there are zero cars on the road.
3. The garage was empty. Until my mom parked her car in it, there were zero cars in the garage.
4. If no one puts money in a piggy bank, it has zero money.
5. Before I planted a rose in an empty garden, there were zero roses growing there.
6. After I took the last cookie from the jar, there were zero cookies left in the jar.
7. Ask your child to make examples of zero.

### Exercise II

*The rule:* If you add a zero to a number, the number does not change.

$$1 + 0 = 1$$

$$2 + 0 = 2$$

$$3 + 0 = 3$$

$$10 + 0 = 10$$

*The rule:* If you add a number to a zero, the number does not change. It stays the same.

$$0 + 1 = 1$$

$$0 + 2 = 2$$

$$0 + 5 = 5$$

$$0 + 9 = 9$$

### Word Problems

1. We had 2 pictures on the wall and put no new pictures up. How many pictures are on the wall? Ans: 2 pictures  
*Solution:* 2 pictures + 0 pictures = 2 pictures. So, the answer is 2 pictures.
2. A pet store had 4 birds in a cage. No new birds were put in the cage. How many birds are in the cage now? Ans: 4 birds.
3. There were 10 monkeys on a tree. No new monkey came. How many monkeys are on the tree now? Ans: 10 monkeys.
4. The table was empty before I put 4 plates on it. How many plates are on the table? Ans: 4 plates.  
*Solution:* mathematically speaking, 0 plates + 4 plates = 4 plates. Therefore, the answer is 4 plates.
5. There was an empty field. The construction crew built 5 houses on the field. How many houses are on the field now? Ans: 5 houses ( $0 + 5 = 5$ ).
6. My backyard had no holes. Then 3 gofers dug 6 holes. How many holes are in my backyard now? Ans: 6 holes.  
*Solution:* Don't confuse holes with 3 gofers. There could have been hundreds of hole-digging gofers, but we are not counting the gofers, only the holes they dug.
7. The page was empty. Then 2 children drew 3 squares in 4 minutes. How many squares are on the page now? Ans: 3 squares, because  $0 + 3 = 3$

## Lesson 2 - Counting and simple adding

### Exercise I

Count up to 5 forwards and then backwards.

Count forwards and backwards from 4 to 10.

Count backwards from 13.

Count backwards from 16 to 10.

Count backwards from 20 to 15.

Count forwards from 20 to 30.

Count from 30 to 45, forwards and backwards.

Count forward from 1 to 9, skipping every other number: 1, skip 2, 3, skip 4, 5, skip 6, 7, skip 8, 9. *Instead of skipping, child may whisper the number.*

Now, count from 2 to 10 skipping every other number: 2, skip 3, 4, skip 5, 6, skip 7, 8, skip 9, 10.

What comes after 2?	5?	7?	8?	10?
What comes after 11?	13?	14?	16?	19?
What comes after 22?	25?	31?	33?	37?
What comes before 46?	49?	52?	75?	91?
What comes before 21?	31?	41?	51?	53?
What comes before 20?	30?	40?	50?	60?
What comes before and after		33?	22?	67?

### Exercise II

I'll give you two numbers; tell me which one comes first when counting.

7 or 5 Ans: 5	17 or 13 Ans: 13
8 or 7 Ans: 7	54 or 45 Ans: 45
13 or 15 Ans: 13	23 or 32 Ans: 23
9 or 11 Ans: 9	87 or 78 Ans: 78
28 or 41 Ans: 28	99 or 88 Ans: 88

Now, I'll give you 3 numbers, can you place them in order from the smallest to the largest?

6, 8, and 7	Ans: 6, 7, 8
9, 4, and 6	Ans: 4, 6, 9
6, 2, and 4	Ans: 2, 4, 6
8, 3, and 5	Ans: 3, 5, 8
4, 0, and 3	Ans: 0, 3, 4
8, 5, and 7	Ans: 5, 7, 8
10, 9, and 7	Ans: 7, 9, 10

### Exercise III

Count forward from 1 to 20, skipping every 2 numbers: 1, (skip 2 and 3), 4, (skip 5 and 6), 7, (skip 8 and 9), etc.

*Instead of skipping, child may whisper the number.*

*You might want to make your own skipping numbers exercises. Instead of skipping you can also take turns in counting. For example: You say: 1. The child says: 2, 3. You say: 4. The child says: 5, 6. Etc.*

Now, count from 2 to 20 skipping every 2 numbers: 2, (skip 3 and 4), 5, (skip 6 and 7), 8, (skip 9 and 10), etc.

### Word Problems

1. If I have two cookies and I get one more, how many cookies do I have? Ans: 3 cookies.
2. There is one sparrow and two black birds sitting in the tree. How many birds are sitting in the tree? Ans: 3 birds.
3. First I saw a white car go by, then a red car and then again a white car. How many cars did I see? Ans: 3 cars.
4. I have two best friends. Then I made one more best friend. How many best friends do I have? Ans: 3 best friends.
5. I was counting and forgot what comes after 12. Can you tell me what number I forgot? Ans: 13.
6. In the red box there are 6 marbles and in the blue box there are 9 marbles. Which box has more marbles? Ans: Blue box.
7. One team has 6 kids and the other team has 5 kids. Which team has less number of kids? Ans: the team with 5 kids.
8. I am counting by skipping one number. I say 7, what number will I say next? Ans: 9
9. How many numbers are between 1 and 4? Ans: 2 numbers, they are 3 and 4.
10. How many numbers are between 1 and 6? Ans: 4 numbers, they are 2, 3, 4 and 5.
11. How many numbers are between 3 and 6? Ans: 2 numbers, they are 4 and 5.
12. How many numbers are between 4 and 6? Ans: 1 number.
13. How many numbers are between 5 and 10? Ans: 4 numbers, they are 6, 7, 8, and 9.
14. How many numbers are between 1 and 11? Ans: 9 numbers.
15. I have three coins in one hand and one coin in the other hand. How many coins am I hiding in both hands? Ans: 4 coins.
16. Ann has 2 sisters and 2 brothers. How many brothers and sisters does she have? Ans: 4 brothers and sisters.
17. How many children are there in Ann's family? Ans: 5 children.
18. Meena was counting and got stuck at 43. What's the next number after 43? Ans: 44.
19. Meena got to 53. What number comes before 53? Ans: 52.
20. Their team has one more kid than ours. We have five kids on our team. How many do they have? Ans: 6 kids.
21. An ice cream store sold 11 vanilla cones and 1 chocolate cone. How many ice cream cones did it sell? Ans: 12 ice cream cones.
22. Millie knows 33 jokes, Billy knows one less. How many jokes does Billy know? Ans: 32 jokes.
23. An archer shot 55 arrows. All but 1 hit the target. How many arrows hit the target? Ans: 54 arrows.
24. A soccer team scored 9 goals and then 1 more goal. How many goals did the team score? Ans: 10 goals.
25. Mr. Lopez took 1 apple from the basket that had 20 apples in it. How many apples are in the basket now? Ans: 19 apples.
26. There were 29 students in the class and then a new student came. How many students are in the class now? Ans: 30 students.
27. Michelle lost 16 tennis balls and then lost 1 more. How many tennis balls did she lose? Ans: 17 balls.
28. A mom bought 9 T-shirts and then returned 1 T-shirt back to the store. How many shirts did she keep? Ans: 8 shirts.
29. An actress had 50 dresses and bought 1 more. How many dresses does she have now? Ans: 51 dresses.
30. Oliver had a 12 foot wire and cut off a 1 foot piece. How long is the wire now? Ans: 11 feet.
31. Leo has \$40 in his pocket and \$1 in the wallet. How much money does he have all together? Ans: \$41

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32. The animal shelter had 47 cats and got 1 more. How many cats do they have now? Ans: 48 cats.

33. I was sitting alone and then two of my friends came and sat next to me. How of many of us are sitting together?  
Ans: 3.

34. I have 6 coins and Sheila has 5. Who has fewer coins? Ans: Sheila.

35. A park has 37 birch trees and 29 aspen trees. Are there more birches than aspens? Ans: Yes.

## Lesson 3 – Addition up to 3

### Exercise I

What number comes after 3? Ans: 4

What number comes after 0? Ans: 1

What number comes after 5? Ans: 6

What number comes before 5? Ans: 4

What number comes before 3? Ans: 2

What number comes before 1? Ans: 0

*The rule of reversibles:*

When adding numbers, it doesn't matter which number goes first. The answer will be the same. Example,

$2 + 1$  equal 3, and also  $1 + 2$  is 3

$3 + 1 = 4$ , and also  $1 + 3 = 4$

$1 + 4 = 5$ , and also  $4 + 1 = 5$

$2 + 3 = 5$ , and also  $3 + 2 = 5$

### Exercise II

$1 + 1 = 2$	$4 + 1 = 5$	$2 + 1 = 3$	$2 + 2 = 4$	$0 + 2 = 2$
$1 + 2 = 3$	$2 + 1 = 3$	$3 + 1 = 4$	$4 + 2 = 6$	$1 + 1 + 1 = 3$
$1 + 3 = 4$	$2 + 2 = 4$	$2 + 3 = 5$	$2 + 4 = 6$	$1 + 0 = 1$
$1 + 4 = 5$	$3 + 2 = 5$	$2 + 4 = 6$	$2 + 3 = 5$	$1 + 2 + 0 = 3$
$1 + 5 = 6$	$1 + 3 = 4$	$2 + 1 = 3$	$4 + 0 = 4$	$1 + 2 + 1 = 4$
$1 + 2 = 3$	$2 + 3 = 5$	$1 + 1 = 2$	$0 + 3 = 3$	$0 + 4 = 4$
$2 + 1 = 3$	$1 + 2 = 3$	$3 + 2 = 5$	$5 + 1 = 6$	$6 + 0 = 6$
$1 + 3 = 4$	$2 + 3 = 5$	$4 + 1 = 5$	$0 + 1 = 1$	$0 + 0 = 0$
$3 + 1 = 4$	$3 + 2 = 5$	$2 + 3 = 5$	$3 + 3 = 6$	$1 + 1 + 1 = 3$

### Exercise III

$? + 2 = 3$  Say: Which number and 2 together make 3? Ans: 1

*Comment: This exercise uses subtraction to solve these problems and may be a bit difficult for a young child.*

$? + 1 = 3$	$? + 2 = 4$	$? + 3 = 5$	$? + 0 = 6$	$? + 3 = 6$
$? + 2 = 3$	$? + 0 = 4$	$? + 2 = 5$	$? + 4 = 6$	$? + 2 = 6$
$? + 3 = 3$	$? + 4 = 4$	$? + 0 = 5$	$? + 5 = 6$	$? + 1 = 1$
$? + 1 = 4$	$? + 1 = 2$	$? + 4 = 5$	$? + 4 = 6$	$? + 4 = 6$
$? + 3 = 4$	$? + 1 = 5$	$? + 5 = 5$	$? + 1 = 6$	$? + 5 = 5$

### Word Problems

- Jack had 2 candies. Jill gave him 1 more. How many does he have now? Ans: 3 candies.
- Jill has 2 cookies and Jack gave her 2 more. How many does she have now? Ans: 4 cookies.
- I have 1 white shirt and 3 red shirts. How many shirts do I have? Ans: 4 shirts.
- There are 3 boys and 1 girl in the room. How many kids are in the room? Ans: 4 kids.
- I had 2 pencils and then found 2 more in my desk. How many pencils do I have now? Ans: 4 pencils.
- I have 2 coins in one hand and 2 coins in the other hand. How many coins do I have? Ans: 4 coins.

7. Mary's mom told her to pick up 2 apples from the table and 3 more apples from the pantry. How many apples did Mary bring? Ans: 5 apples.
8. Annie put 3 snails on the table. Her brother put 2 more. How many snails are on the table? Ans: 5 snails.
9. Alex is 2 years old.
- a) How old she will be in 1 year? Ans: 3 years.
  - b) In 2 years? Ans: 4 years.
  - c) In 3 years? Ans: 5 years.
  - d) In 4 years? Ans: 6 years.
10. Nina has 3 brothers. Last month a baby sister was born. How many brothers and sisters does Nina have? Ans: 4 brothers and sisters.
11. Britta lives with her mom, dad, and grandmother. She has 2 sisters. How many people live in Britta's house? Ans: 6 people.
12. Sam lives with his mom, grandmother and grandfather. He has one brother. How many people live in Sam's house? Ans: 5 people.
13. Jill ate 1 plum, 1 apple and 3 cookies. How many different pieces did she eat? Ans: 5 pieces.
14. Camilla has 2 red dresses, 2 yellow dresses and 1 green dress. How many dresses does she have? Ans: 5 dresses.
15. I had 5 beetles and found one more. How many do I have now? Ans: 6 beetles.
16. I put 4 grapes on a plate. Then I added 2 more grapes. How many grapes are on the plate? Ans: 6 grapes.
17. I had 3 friends and then 2 more kids became my friends. How many friends do I have now? Ans: 5 friends.
18. A car has 2 wheels in front and 2 in the back. How many wheels does the car have? Ans: 4 wheels.
19. Our black dog had 3 puppies. Our gray dog had 2 puppies. How many puppies do we have? Ans: 5 puppies.
20. How many fingers do you have on your right hand? Ans: 5 or 4. *Both answers can be considered correct.*
21. Yesterday, Mike planted 1 tree and today he planted 3 more. How many trees did he plant? Ans: 4 trees.
22. Our car has 4 tires. One spare tire is in the trunk. How many tires does the car have if I count the one in the trunk? Ans: 5 tires.
23. Omar and Tricia fed 3 squirrels and also 3 rabbits. How many animals did they feed? Ans: 6 animals.
24. Natasha sent 2 postcards to her grandparents, 1 card to her uncle and 1 to her sister. How many cards did she send? Ans: 4 cards.
25. A guard helped 3 children across the street and then 3 more. How many children did she help to the other side of the street? Ans: 6 children.
26. Our 3 rabbits ate 4 carrots. My neighbor's 2 rabbits ate 2 carrots. How many carrots did all the rabbits eat? Ans: 6 carrots. Remember, we are counting the carrots, not the rabbits, no matter how many of them are there.
27. There were 2 parrots in the cage; 2 more parrots were put there. How many parrots are in the cage now? Ans: 4 parrots.
28. A singer recorded 2 songs the day before yesterday, 2 songs yesterday, and 2 today. How many songs did he record altogether? Ans: 6 songs.
29. The kitten has 3 whiskers on the right and 3 on the left. How many whiskers does the kitten have? Ans: 6 whiskers.
30. Asha Patel is 5. She has 2 brothers and 3 sisters. How many children are in her family? Ans: 6 children.
- Solution:* There is 1 Asha plus her 2 brothers and 3 sisters = 6 children

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31. I have 5 kittens and Kerry has none. How many kittens do we have together? Ans: 5 kittens.
32. A store has 2 aisles in the front and 3 in the back. How many aisles does the store have? Ans: 5 aisles.
33. There are 2 houses on the right bank of the river and 3 houses on the left. How many houses are on the river?  
Ans: 5 houses.
34. Hugo has 3 toy cars. How many more does he need to make 4? Ans: 1 car.
35. Nadia baked 2 pies. How many does she have to bake to make 4? Ans: 2 pies.
36. Henry got 4 yellow pencils and 1 red pencil. How many pencils does he have? Ans: 5 pencils.
37. Yoda was 3 feet tall and grew 2 more feet. How many feet is he now? Ans: 5 feet.
38. On the bus, there is 1 kid with a hat and 4 kids without hats. How many kids are on the bus? Ans: 5 kids.
39. My kitten caught 1 lizard, 2 snails and 2 flies. How many creatures did she catch? Ans: 5 creatures.
40. Being thirsty, Fiona drank 3 glasses of water, 2 glasses of lemonade, and 1 glass of juice. How many glasses in total did she drink? Ans: 6 glasses.
41. Old MacDonald had 2 cows and 4 chickens on his farm. How many animals did he have? Ans: 6 animals.

## Lesson 4 - Addition up to 9

*The Rule of Reversibles*

When adding two numbers we can switch the order of the numbers and the sum will still be the same?

Example

$$3 + 4 = 7 \text{ and } 4 + 3 = 7$$

$$5 + 4 = 9 \text{ and } 4 + 5 = 9$$

We can change places for all the number in addition and the answer will stay the same. Look:

$$1 + 2 + 3 = 6$$

$$3 + 2 + 1 = 6$$

$$2 + 1 + 3 = 6$$

$$3 + 1 + 2 = 6$$

### Exercise I

Count forward to 19 starting with 0. Count backward from 19 down to 0.

Count backwards from 19 to 0 skipping every other number.

Count from 1 to 20, skipping every other number. Ans: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, etc.

### Exercise II

$$5 + 1 = 6$$

$$6 + 2 = 8$$

$$6 + 1 = 7$$

$$7 + 2 = 9$$

$$4 + 4 = 8$$

$$6 + 1 = 7$$

$$2 + 6 = 8$$

$$1 + 6 = 7$$

$$2 + 7 = 9$$

$$1 + 7 = 8$$

$$5 + 2 = 7$$

$$4 + 2 = 6$$

$$6 + 2 = 8$$

$$2 + 4 = 6$$

$$8 + 1 = 9$$

$$5 + 3 = 8$$

$$4 + 1 = 5$$

$$1 + 5 = 6$$

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$$2 + 7 = 9$$

$$4 + 5 = 9$$

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$$7 + 1 = 8$$

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$$8 + 1 = 9$$

$$7 + 1 = 8$$

$$5 + 2 = 7$$

$$5 + 2 = 7$$

$$7 + 2 = 9$$

$$7 + 2 = 9$$

$$3 + 4 = 7$$

$$5 + 3 = 8$$

$$5 + 1 = 6$$

$$7 + 0 = 8$$

$$6 + 3 = 9$$

$$3 + 5 = 8$$

*Problem:*  $3 + 3 + 3 = 9$

*Solution:* First add  $3 + 3$  which is equal to 6, then add 6 and 3 together.

### Exercise III

$$4 + 2 + 2 = 8$$

$$3 + 4 + 1 = 8$$

$$5 + 2 + 1 = 8$$

$$2 + 6 + 1 = 9$$

$$5 + 1 + 2 = 8$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 = 6$$

$$3 + 1 + 3 = 7$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 = 6$$

$$6 + 2 + 1 = 9$$

$$1 + 2 + 1 = 4$$

$$0 + 1 + 2 + 3 = 6$$

$$2 + 3 + 2 = 7$$

$$2 + 3 + 3 = 8$$

$$4 + 4 + 1 = 9$$

$$6 + 1 + 2 = 9$$

$$3 + 3 + 3 = 9$$

$$4 + 2 + 0 = 6$$

$$2 + 3 + 4 = 9$$

$$2 + 2 + 2 = 6$$

$$1 + 2 + 5 = 8$$

### Exercise IV

What numbers come after 6 but before 9?    Ans: 7 and 8

What number comes after 3 but before 5?    Ans: 4

- What number comes after 5 but before 7?    Ans: 6  
What number comes after 5 but before 8?    Ans: 6 and 7  
What number added to 8 makes 9?            Ans: 1  
What number added to 6 makes 9?            Ans: 3  
What number added to 5 makes 9?            Ans: 4  
What number added to 7 makes 9?            Ans: 2  
What number added to 4 makes 9?            Ans: 5  
What number added to 2 makes 9?            Ans: 7

### Word problems

1. There are 3 people in John's family. One day 2 friends came to dinner. How many plates did John put on the table for dinner that night? Ans: 6 plates. John has to eat too!
2. 4 birds were sitting on a branch. Then 3 more came. How many birds are there now? Ans: 7 birds.
3. Usually, it takes 4 minutes for John to get ready, but today he spent 2 more minutes than usual. How long did take him to get ready today? Ans: 6 minutes.
4. Puja has 5 dollars and she borrowed 2 more. How much money does she have? Ans: 7 dollars.
5. It's Dan's job to sweep the front steps every day. There are 3 steps in the front and 4 in the back. How many steps does he sweep every day? Ans: 7 steps.
6. Jill had 2 dolls. Her mom gave her 1 more and then her aunt gave her 2 more. How many dolls does she have now? Ans: 5 dolls.
7. How many towels would mother wash after she found 3 of Jane's dirty towels and 3 of Susan's dirty towels? Ans: 6 towels.
8. Victoria planted 1 cactus, 2 daisies and 3 pansies. How many plants did she plant? Ans: 6 plants.
9. Bob is 5 years old. How old will he be in 1 year? Ans: 6
  - a) In 2 years? Ans: 7
  - b) In 3 years? Ans: 8
  - c) In 4 years? Ans: 9
10. A gardener worked 1 hour in the morning and 5 hours in the afternoon. How many hours did he work? Ans: 6 hours.
11. How many curtains will be needed for 5 windows in the kitchen and 3 windows in the dining room? Ans: 8 curtains.
12. Our house has 3 rooms upstairs and 4 downstairs. How many rooms are in our house? Ans: 7 rooms.
13. If John has 4 notebooks and Susan has 3 notebooks, how many notebooks do they have together? Ans: 7 notebooks.
14. In the living room, we have 2 sofas, 2 chairs and 3 tables. How many pieces of furniture are in the living rooms? Ans: 7 pieces.
15. Place 4 big glasses and 3 small ones on the table. How many glasses are on the table? Ans: 7 glasses.
16. I have 2 friends who live on my street and 4 friends who live far away. How many friends do I have? Ans: 6 friends.
17. Jen has 3 friends who are girls and 4 friends who are boys. How many friends does she have? Ans: 7 friends
18. How many rolls does Curtis bake if he puts 4 in one pan and 4 in another? Ans: 8 rolls.
19. Tyron ate 3 eggs, Susan ate 1 egg and their dad ate 2 eggs. How many eggs did they eat? Ans: 6 eggs.

20. Mom added 2 cups of sugar in the mix. Then she put 5 cups of flour. How many cups of ingredients did she add to the mix? Ans: 7 cups.
21. Angel's mom gave her 2 stars for picking up the plates, 2 stars for keeping her desk clean and 4 more stars for helping her brother. How many stars did Angel earn? Ans: 8 stars.
22. John washed 4 dogs, Susan washed 2 and Sam washed 2. How many dogs did they wash all together? Ans: 8 dogs.
23. Michael read aloud 2 pages, Victor read the next 2, and Nina read the last 3 pages of a story. How many pages did they read all together? Ans: 7 pages.
24. First 4 rosebuds bloomed. Then 4 more bloomed. How many buds are blooming? Ans: 8 buds.
25. If Jorge hung 7 birdfeeders in the backyard and Jose put up 2 more, how many birdfeeders are in the backyard? Ans: 9 birdfeeders.
26. A town has 3 benches in the park and plans to put 6 more. How many benches will be in the park then? Ans: 9 benches.
27. Our team scored 3 goals and the guest team scored 5. How many goals were scored in the game? Ans: 8 goals.
28. The bicycle shop sells 4 helmets each day. How many helmets they sold yesterday and today? Ans: 8 helmets.
29. If a basketball team has 3 players and 6 more are coming, how many players will there be on the team? Ans: 9 players.
30. A poet wrote 3 poems in the morning and 5 poems in the afternoon and none in the evening. How many poems did she write for the whole day? Ans: 8 poems.
31. There are 4 rugs on the first floor and 3 rugs on the second floor in John's home. If he has to vacuum them all, how many will he vacuum in all? Ans: 7 rugs.
32. There were 6 people on the bus when it picked up 3 more passengers. How many people are on the bus now? Ans: 9 people.
33. 4 birds were sitting in a tree. Then 5 more came. How many birds are on the tree now? Ans: 9 birds.
34. Usually, John takes 7 minutes to get ready for school, but he spent 2 extra minutes brushing his teeth this morning. How long did it take for him to get ready? Ans: 9 minutes.
35. Mom took out \$5 to pay for the vegetables but the farmer said, "You owe me \$4 more." How much did the vegetables cost? Ans: \$9.
36. Jennie opened 3 jars of plums, and Clara opened 5 jars. How many jars were opened? Ans: 8 jars.
37. John had 2 toy trucks and his aunt gave him 2 more; then his dad gave him 2 more trucks. How many trucks does he have now? Ans: 6 trucks.
38. How many chairs will we need to seat mom, dad, grandma and 4 kids at one table? Ans: 7 chairs.
39. Vic planted 1 rose, 2 daisies, and 3 pansies. How many flowers did he plant? Ans: 6 flowers.
40. There are 7 lamp posts on one side of the street and 2 on the other. How many are on both sides? Ans: 9 lamp posts.
41. Four plumbers worked 2 hours before lunch and 6 hours after lunch. How many total hours did they work? Ans: 8 hours. Remember to count hours, not plumbers.
42. Ann kept 4 crayons in one box and 5 in another. How many crayons are in both boxes? Ans: 9 crayons
43. If John has 3 awards and Susan has 4, how many awards do they have together? Ans: 7 awards.
44. I see 2 magazines on the sofa, 2 on the chair and 3 on the coffee table. How many magazines do I see? Ans: 7 magazines.

45. I scratched my nose 6 times with the right hand and 3 times with the left. How many times did I scratch my nose? Ans: 9 times.
46. How many pages did Emily write, if she wrote 2 pages today and 5 yesterday? Ans: 7 pages.
47. John ate 2 plums, Susan ate 1 and dad had 4. How many plums did they eat? Ans: 7 plums.
48. Henry had 6 quarters before his mother gave him 2 more. How many quarters does he have now? Ans: 8 quarters.
49. Tim lost 5 marbles, and then he lost 4 more. How many marbles did he lose? Ans: 9.
50. John found 4 golf balls, and Will and Andy found 2 each. How many golf balls did all three find? Ans: 8 balls.  
*Solution:* 4 balls that John found + 2 balls that Will found + 2 that Andy found = 8 balls.
51. If a jacket cost \$5 and a pair of pants costs \$4, what will they both cost? Ans: \$9.
52. There are 6 eggs in one nest, and 2 in another. How many eggs are in both nests? Ans: 8 eggs.
53. George has 2 goldfish, and James has 7. How many goldfish do they both have? Ans: 9 goldfish.
54. A farmer had 3 chickens, and bought 5 more. How many chickens does he have now? Ans: 8 chickens.
55. This year our poodle had 4 puppies, last year she had 3 puppies and the year before only 1. How many puppies did she have altogether? Ans: 8 puppies.
56. There are 3 bars of soap in one box, 2 in another, and 3 more bars of soap in the third. How many bars of soap are there? Ans: 8 bars of soap.

## Lesson 5 - Subtractions with numbers up to 6

Subtraction is the opposite of addition. When we subtract from a number, we take away from that number. We can also use subtraction to find the difference between two numbers.

### Exercise I

Count backward from 6 by 1, i.e. 6, 5, 4, etc.

Count backward from 6 by 2, i.e. 6, 4, 2, and 0

Count backward from 6 by 3, i.e. 6, 3, and 0

In subtraction the order is very important!

3 take away 1 equals 2, but 1 take away 2 does not equal 3! Later on we will learn how to take away a big number from a small. But now, let's subtract, or take away, only from bigger or equal numbers.

### Exercise II

$3 - 2 = 1$

$6 - 4 = 2$

$5 - 0 = 5$

$6 - 1 = 5$

$5 - 2 = 3$

$4 - 2 = 2$

$6 - 6 = 0$

$3 - 0 = 3$

$6 - 2 = 4$

$6 - 2 = 4$

$5 - 2 = 3$

$6 - 5 = 1$

$1 - 1 = 0$

$6 - 3 = 3$

$4 - 2 = 2$

$3 - 3 = 0$

$5 - 4 = 1$

$2 - 1 = 0$

$6 - 2 = 4$

$5 - 1 = 4$

$4 - 3 = 1$

$5 - 4 = 1$

$6 - 2 = 4$

$6 - 4 = 2$

$6 - 4 = 2$

$5 - 3 = 2$

$5 - 3 = 2$

$6 - 1 = 4$

$2 - 2 = 0$

$4 - 2 = 2$

$6 - 2 = 4$

$5 - 2 = 3$

$3 - 1 = 2$

$6 - 3 - 3 = 0$

$4 - 3 = 1$

$6 - 3 = 3$

$5 - 5 = 0$

$6 - 3 = 3$

$6 - 3 - 2 = 1$

$4 - 1 = 3$

### Exercise III

What number do you take away from 4 to make 3?

Ans: 1

What number do you take away from 4 to make 2?

Ans: 2

What number do you take away from 3 to make 1?

Ans: 2

What number do you take away from 2 to make 0?

Ans: 2

What number do you take away from 5 to make 4?

Ans: 1

What number do you take away from 5 to make 3?

Ans: 2

What number do you take away from 5 to make 1?

Ans: 4

What number do you take away from 6 to make 6?

Ans: 0

What number do you take away from 6 to make 3?

Ans: 3

What number do you take away from 6 to make 4?

Ans: 2

What number do you take away from 6 to make 2?

Ans: 4

What number do you take away from 4 to make 1?

Ans: 3

### Word problems

- 4 birds sat on the branch, 2 flew away. How many birds stayed on the branch? Ans: 2
- A family put aside 3 hours to clean the yard. They worked for 2 hours. How much longer will they work? Ans: 1 hour.
- The story is 5 pages long. I read 2 pages. How many pages are left? Ans: 3 pages.
- Our team scored 5 points. The guest team scored 3. How many points will it take for the guest team to tie the game? Ans: 2 points.

*Solution:* It takes altogether 5 points to tie the game for the guests. They already have 3, Then  $5 - 3 = 2$  (points will take for the other team to tie the game).

5. There were 3 delicious apples on the table. I ate 2 and my little sister ate 1. How many apples are left for my older brother? Ans: 0 apples.

6. There were only five pretty rosebuds on the bush. Jane cut 2 of these to take for her teacher. How many rosebuds are there on the plant? Ans: 3 nails.

7. A sailor saw 4 seagulls and 2 pelicans. How many seabirds did the sailor see? Ans: 6 birds.

8. There were 6 strings on my guitar. Jerry broke 2. How many strings are left for him to break? Ans: 4 strings.

9. Our cat had 4 kittens. 3 of the kittens are brown and the rest gray. How many are not brown? Ans: 1 kitten.

10. There are 6 plates in the dinner set. Today, 4 people sat for the dinner. How many plates stayed in the cabinet? Ans: 2 plates.

11. Mark promised to replace 6 light bulbs in the classroom. He replaced 3. How many more does he need to replace to keep his promise? Ans: 3.

12. Chris takes care of 5 lemon trees. He watered 4. How many are left for him to water? Ans: 1 tree.

13. The Martinez family has 6 children. 5 are in college, away from home. How many children are still at home? Ans: 1 child.

14. Jim's company has 5 trucks. One truck is on the road. How many are in the garage? Ans: 4 trucks.

15. Erica brought 6 pencils for the test. She gave 2 pencils to Monica and 1 pencil to Phil. How many pencils does she have now? Ans: 3 pencils ( $6 - 2 = 4$ , then  $4 - 1 = 3$ ).

16. Chloe took out 5 eggs to make a cake. She dropped 1 on the floor and used 1 for baking. How many eggs did she put back in the fridge? Ans: 3 eggs.

17. I tried to call my grandparents 4 times this week. The number was busy 2 of the times. How many times did I get through? Ans: 2 times.

18. Katie's porch has 5 steps. Her puppy climbed up 3 steps. How many more steps does the puppy need to climb to get to the top? Ans: 2 steps.

19. There were 5 plums on the counter. My sister and I ate 1 each. How many plums are still on the counter? Ans: 3 plums.

20. There were 6 crayons in the box. Connor took out 1 red crayon and 1 blue crayon. How many crayons are left in the box? Ans: 4 crayons.

21. Kelly brought 4 presents for her friends to school. One friend had a dentist appointment and missed school that day. How many friends got their presents? Ans: 3 friends.

22. Lucy planted 3 trees and Missy planted 3 more. How many new trees were planted? Ans: 6 trees.

23. Olga swam 5 laps in the pool. Tim swam 2 laps less than Olga. How many laps did Tim swim? Ans: 3 laps.

24. Leah paid for a book with a 5 dollar bill and received \$1 in change. How much did the book cost? Ans: \$4.

25. A school bus has 6 seats. 4 students are on the bus. How many seats are empty? Ans: 2 seats.

26. Doris can do 4 pushups. Her friend can do only 2. How many more pushups can Doris do? Ans: 2 pushups more than her friend.

27. Tess can cross her driveway in 6 hops. She stopped after 2 hops. How many more hops she has left to the other side? Ans: 4 hops.

28. There were 5 people at the bus stop. Now, there are only 2. How many people got on the bus? Ans: 3 people.

29. My one-year-old baby niece has 6 teeth. Last time I saw her she had 2 teeth. How many new teeth did she grow? Ans: 4 new teeth. And they are sharp!

30. A bug has 6 legs and 2 wings. How many more legs than wings does the bug have? Ans: 4 more legs than wings.
31. There were 4 T-shirts lying on the sofa. Dad picked up 1 and Steve picked up 3. How many T-shirts are on the sofa now? Ans: 0 or none. Always pick up your T-shirts.
32. Harold put 6 cherries on his plate, but now there are only 5. How many cherries are missing? Ans: 1 cherry.
33. A black sheep gave the master 3 bags of wool. One went to the master and one for the dame. How many were left for a boy down the lane? Ans: 1 bag.
34. Morris has \$3. How much does he need to borrow to make \$5? Ans: \$2
35. The team has 4 players. How many more does it need to make 6? Ans: 2 players.
36. For the concert I learned 2 songs. How many more songs do I need to learn to make it 6? Ans: 4 songs.
37. Julia is 6 years old.
- a) How old was she 3 years ago? Ans: 3 years old.
  - b) How old was she 2 years ago? Ans: 4 years old.
  - c) How old was she 4 years ago? Ans: 2 years old.
38. Edward did 4 lessons in the morning, and then 3 in the afternoon. How many lessons did he do altogether? Ans: 7 lessons.
39. There are 5 birds in a sitting on a branch. 2 flew away. How many are on the branch now? Ans: 3 birds.
40. Susan bought 6 yards of fabric at one store, and 3 yards at another. How many yards does she have now? Ans: 9 yards.
41. Mother gave Harry \$6. Harry's sister borrowed \$2 from him. How much does he have now? Ans: \$4.
42. Alan ate 4 oranges, and Arthur ate 3. How many oranges did they both eat? Ans: 7 oranges.
43. Ella paid 3 cents for a pencil, and 5 cents for a notebook. How much did she pay for both? Ans: 8 cents.
44. There are 5 pears on one branch, 2 are ripe. How many pears are still green? Ans: 3 pears.
45. Alice ate 4 carrots, and her mom ate 4. How many carrots did they both eat? Ans: 8. Carrots are good for the kids and the grown ups.
46. Elmore picked 4 bags of cherries, and Joseph picked 4. How many bags did they both pick? Ans: 8 bags.
47. A farmer planted 6 acres of land. 2 acres grow potatoes, and the rest have corn. How many acres grow corn? Ans: 4 acres.
48. Anna made 6 pies, and her family ate 4 of them the same day. How many pies are left? Ans: 2 pies.
49. One man can dig 6 holes and another can fill 3 in one day. How many holes will be there at the end of the day if one digs and the other fills? Ans: 3 holes.
50. There are 4 horses in one pasture, and 5 in another. How many horses are on both? Ans: 9 horses.
51. Jasper had 6 books and gave away 2. How many books he has now? Ans: 4 books.
52. If a goldfish is worth \$2 and a starfish \$4, how much would both cost? Ans: \$6.
53. The family caught 5 fish and ate 3 that night. How many were left for next day? Ans: 2 fish.
54. A short and stout little teapot had 5 cups of tea in it. It poured out 4 cups. How many cups of tea does it still have? Ans: 1 cup.

## Lesson 6 - Addition up to 10

### Exercise I

Count from 30 to 100.

Can you count backwards from 100 to 30?

### Exercise II

$2 + 1 = 3$	$4 + 5 = 9$	$1 + 7 = 8$	$2 + 7 = 9$	$5 + 5 = 10$
$2 + 2 = 4$	$5 + 2 = 7$	$2 + 6 = 8$	$5 + 2 = 7$	$4 + 5 = 9$
$3 + 2 = 5$	$6 + 2 = 8$	$3 + 5 = 8$	$0 + 7 = 7$	$3 + 4 = 7$
$2 + 3 = 5$	$7 + 2 = 9$	$5 + 4 = 9$	$1 + 2 + 3 = 6$	$3 + 7 = 10$
$3 + 3 = 6$	$7 + 1 = 8$	$5 + 5 = 10$	$3 + 3 + 3 = 9$	$2 + 7 = 9$
$3 + 4 = 7$	$8 + 1 = 9$	$6 + 4 = 10$	$2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 8$	$3 + 7 = 10$
$4 + 2 = 6$	$8 + 2 = 10$	$5 + 5 = 10$	$2 + 3 + 4 = 9$	$5 + 5 = 10$
$2 + 4 = 6$	$7 + 3 = 10$	$5 + 4 = 9$	$3 + 2 + 1 = 6$	$10 + 0 = 10$
$4 + 3 = 7$	$3 + 3 = 6$	$4 + 4 = 8$	$9 + 1 = 10$	$3 + 4 = 7$
$4 + 4 = 8$	$5 + 2 = 7$	$8 + 1 = 9$	$8 + 2 = 10$	$2 + 7 = 9$
$3 + 3 = 6$	$1 + 6 = 7$	$7 + 2 = 9$	$7 + 2 = 9$	$4 + 5 = 9$
$3 + 5 = 8$	$3 + 4 = 7$	$6 + 3 = 9$	$7 + 3 = 10$	$3 + 4 = 7$
$3 + 6 = 9$	$4 + 3 = 7$	$3 + 4 = 7$	$6 + 3 = 9$	$5 + 4 = 9$
$4 + 3 = 7$	$2 + 5 = 7$	$3 + 5 = 8$	$6 + 4 = 10$	$6 + 3 = 9$
$4 + 4 = 8$	$1 + 6 = 7$	$4 + 5 = 9$	$4 + 4 = 8$	$7 + 3 = 10$

### Exercise III

While asking addition questions, this exercise uses subtraction to solve the problems.

- What number do you add to 4 to make 9?    Ans: 5  
 What number do you add to 5 to make 8?    Ans: 3  
 What number do you add to 4 to make 8?    Ans: 4  
 What number do you add to 3 to make 9?    Ans: 6  
 What number do you add to 9 to make 9?    Ans: 0  
 What number do you add to 2 to make 7?    Ans: 5  
 What number do you add to 1 to make 7?    Ans: 6  
 What number do you add to 4 to make 7?    Ans: 3  
 What number do you add to 6 to make 9?    Ans: 3  
 What number do you add to 3 to make 8?    Ans: 5

### Word problems

1. A lady bought 6 red pens and 4 blue pens. How many pens did she buy? Ans: 10 ribbons.
2. In a class there are 3 boys and 6 girls. How many students are in the class? Ans: 9 students.
3. There are 7 doves on one tree, and 3 doves on another. How many doves are there? Ans: 10 doves.
4. A coat cost \$8, and a pair of boots \$2. What was the cost of both? Ans: \$10.
5. I planted 7 lemon trees and 2 apple trees. How many trees did I plant? Ans: 9 trees.
6. Robert stayed with his aunt for 4 days and with his uncle for 6 days. How many days did he stay with both? Ans: 10 days.

7. Fred has 5 ducks and his brother has 2. How many ducks do they both own? Ans: 7 Quacks!
8. Walter had 6 cents and found 2 more. How many cents does he have now? Ans: 8 cents.
9. Rose worked on 7 problems, and Lily worked on 3. On how many problems did they both do? Ans: 10 problems.
10. Isaac earned 6 dimes, and then gave 3 to Kate. How many dimes does he have now? Ans: 3 dimes.
11. Lewis fed his horse 2 ears of corn on Friday, and 5 ears on Saturday. How many ears of corn did the horse eat?  
Ans: 7 ears of corn.
12. I hid 2 books under the table and 6 books under the sofa. How many books did I hide? Ans: 8 books.
13. I got 2 scratches from the bush and 3 from falling on ground. How many scratches did I get? Ans: 5 scratches.
14. I am 6 years old.
  - a) How old will I be in 3 years? Ans: 9 years old.
  - b) How old will I be in 4 years? Ans: 10 years old.
  - c) How old was I two years ago? Ans: 4 years old.
  - d) How old was I six years ago? Ans: 0 years, or a newborn.
15. I have 2 brothers and 3 sisters. How many kids are in my family? Ans: 6 kids (me + 2 + 3)
16. I practiced piano for 2 hours, guitar for 1 hour, and drums for 3 hours. How many hours did I play music all together? Ans: 6 hours.
17. Jack has 7 trucks and Joey has none. How many trucks do they have together? Ans: 7 trucks.
18. Ann washed 8 dishes and her brother washed 2. How many dishes did they wash together? Ans: 10
19. There are 2 shelves on the wall. Each shelf has 4 glasses. How many glasses are there? Ans: 8 glasses ( $4 + 4 = 8$ )
20. If a ruler cost \$2, the pencil \$1, and a notebook \$5, what will all three cost? Ans: \$8
21. There are 3 eggs in one nest, and 4 in another. How many eggs are in both? Ans: 7 eggs.
22. Tricia has 2 toy trains, and James has 7. How many trains do they both have? Ans: 9 trains.
23. A farmer had 5 horses and bought 4 more. How many has he now? Ans: 9 horses.
24. Emily found 2 pine cones, and her sister found 6. How many did they both find? Ans: 8 pine cones.
25. There are 5 bars of soap in one box, and 2 in another. How many bars are in both? Ans: 7 bars.
26. Jen is 3 years old.
  - a) What will be her age in 3 years from now? Ans: 6 years old.
  - b) How old will she be in 5 years? Ans: 8 years old.
  - c) How old will she be in 7 years? Ans: 10 years old.
27. Ali did 4 lessons in the morning, and 3 in the afternoon. How many lessons did he do? Ans: 7 lessons.
28. There are 2 birds in my hands, and 7 in the bush. How many birds are there? Ans: 9 birds.
29. Susan bought 6 cookies in one store, and 2 in another. How many cookies does she has now? Ans: 8 cookies.
30. Talia's father gave her \$3, and her mother gave her \$7. How much money does she have? Ans: 10 dollars.
31. Alan bought 5 oranges, and Bertha bought 3. How many did they both buy? Ans: 8 oranges.
32. There are 2 chairs in the room. One chair has 4 legs and the other also has 4 legs. How many legs are on both chairs? Ans: 8 legs.
33. Mary picked 5 roses, and Emma picked 4. How many did they both pick? Ans: 9 roses.
34. Little Jack Horner stuck his fingers into a pie and pulled out 3 plums. Then he did it again and got out 5 plums. How many plums did he get? Ans: 8 plums.

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35. A jacket has 2 pockets. There is \$5 in each pocket. How much money is in both? Ans: 10 dollars.
36. Erik had 5 electric cars and broke 4. How many working cars does he have now? Ans: 1 car.
37. There are 7 rugs upstairs and 2 rugs downstairs. If I vacuumed them all, how many would be clean? Ans: 9 rugs.
38. The secret password has 4 letters and 5 numbers. How many letters and numbers are in the password? Ans: 9 letters and numbers.
39. How many two numbers combinations together will make 10? Ans: 6 combinations. Ans:  $1 + 9 = 10$ ,  $2 + 8 = 10$ ,  $3 + 7 = 10$ ,  $4 + 6 = 10$ ,  $5 + 5 = 10$ . And don't forget that  $10 + 0$  also makes 10.
40. Jack had 8 candies. His mom gave him 2 more. How many does he have now? Ans: 10 candies.
41. Jill had 4 candies and Jack gave her 6 more. How many does she have? Ans: 10 candies.
42. I have 3 white shirts and 3 black shirts in my suitcase. How many black and white shirts do I have? Ans: 6 shirts.
43. There are 4 boys and 4 girls in the room. How many kids are in the room? Ans: 8 kids.
44. I had 2 safety pins and then I got 8 more. How many pins do I have now? Ans: 10 pins.
45. I hold 3 coins in one hand and 6 coins in the other. How many coins do I have? Ans: 9 coins.
46. Mary's mom told her to take 2 apples from the table and 6 apples from the pantry to make a pie. How many apples did Mary get? Ans: 8 apples.
47. Annie put 2 coins on the table, her brother put 8 more. How many coins are on the table? Ans: 10 coins.
48. Jill ate 1 plum, 3 apples and 5 cookies. How many "things" did she eat? Ans: 9 "things".
49. Camilla has 4 red dresses, 4 yellow and 1 green. How many dresses does she have? Ans: 9 dresses.
50. I put 4 grapes on a plate. Then I put 3 more grapes. How many grapes are on the plate? Ans: 7 grapes.
51. I have 3 friends and then 3 more kids become my friends. How many friends do I have now? Ans: 6 friends.
52. Our black cat had 3 kittens. The tabby cat had 2 kittens. And the white cat had 4. How many kittens do we have? Ans: 9 kittens.