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Solve Nan and Bert Problems on pages 3-5.

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Research and Revision Study

2003–2006	Research on implementation of 2nd edition in classrooms
2006–2009	Revision and field test of new materials in grades 1–5
2008–2009	Student Achievement Study
2010–2014	Final revision of materials for publication

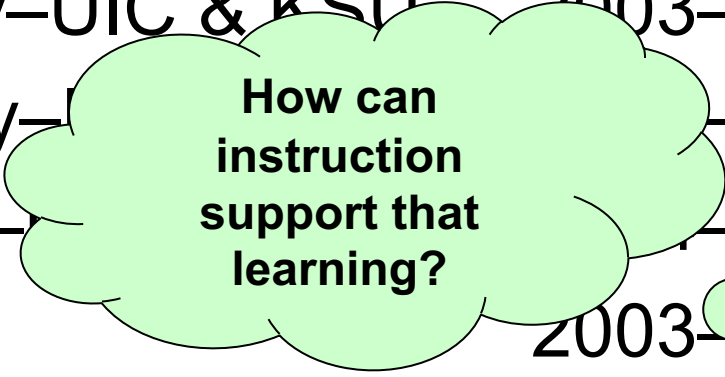


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WHERE DISCOVERIES BEGIN

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Research Studies

- Whole Number Study—UIC & KSIU 2003–2008
- Implementation Study—UIC 2006
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- Video Study—UIC 2003–2006
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How can
instruction
support that
learning?



How do
students learn?

Research Studies

- Whole Number Study–UIC & KSU 2003–2008
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Nan and Bert Problems (pg. 2-3)

Solve and then discuss with a partner:

- Did you use the same strategy for each problem? Why?
- What strategies would you expect from your students?
- What strategies would you hope for?
- How might the tools support reasoning?

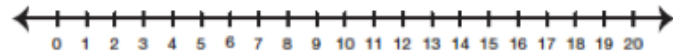
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Nan and Bert Problems

Show or tell how to solve each problem. Write a number sentence. Use cubes, a number line, or ten frames. You may also draw a picture.

1. Nan and Bert went on a picnic at the lake. Nan ate 9 grapes and Bert ate 5. How many did they eat altogether?

Number sentence _____



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Chris's group made 28 hats. Julia's group made 44 hats. How many hats did both groups make altogether?

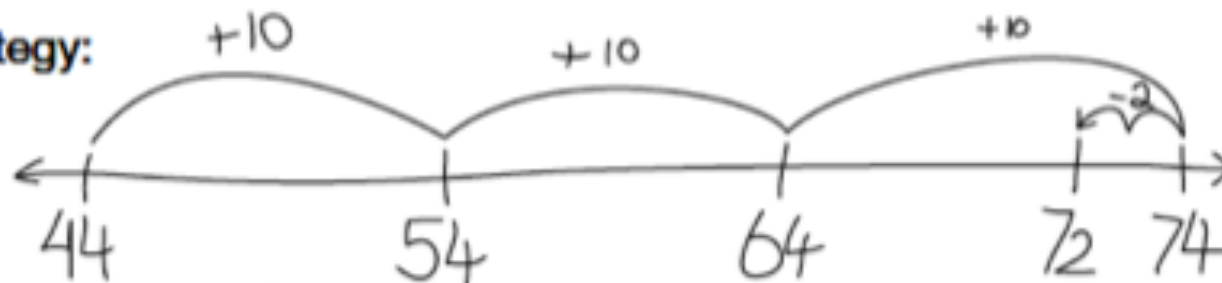




Chris

I can think about it better if I make a number line in my head. I think about starting at 44, moving forward 30 and then back 2, since 28 is 2 less than 30. I can write it like this.

Chris's Strategy:



I start at 44 and then add on 30, going by tens: 54, 64, 74. Subtract 2 and it is 72. 72 hats.

Julia's Strategy:

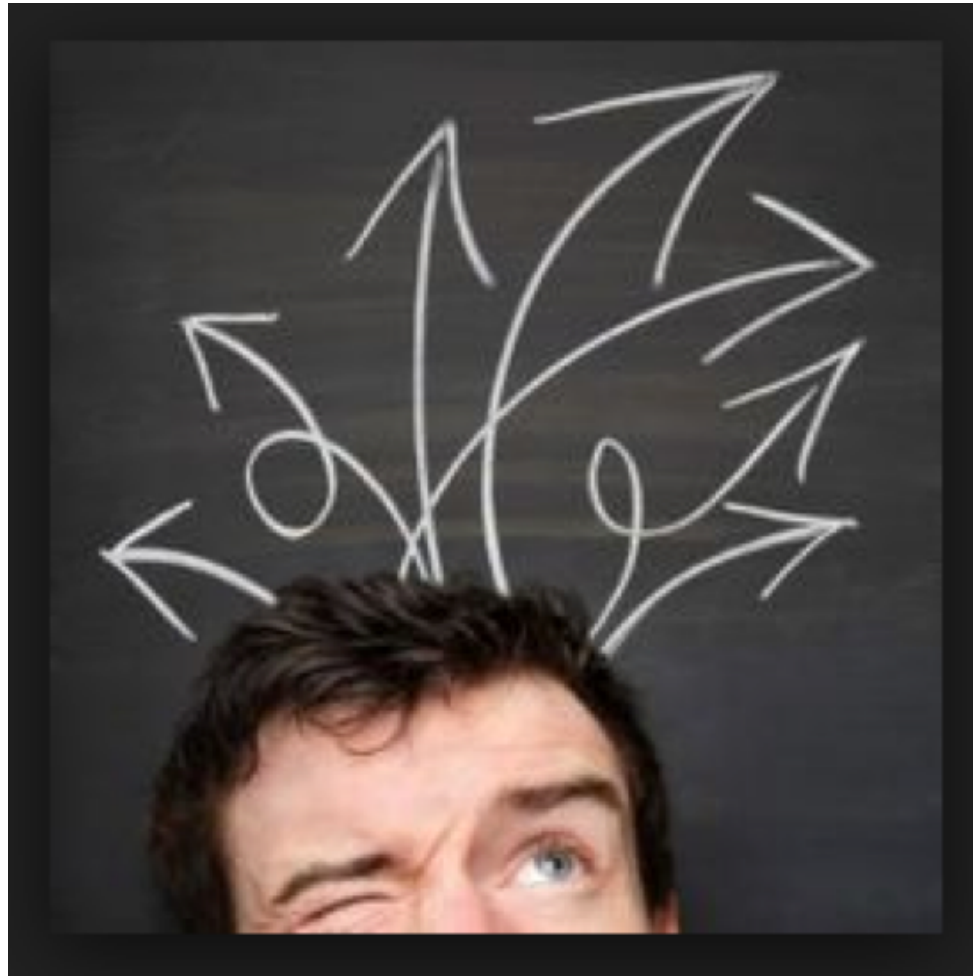
Altogether we made 72 hats. I broke the numbers into tens and ones: $20 + 40$ is 60, 8 and 4 is 12, $60 + 12$ is 72. We made 72 hats.



Julia

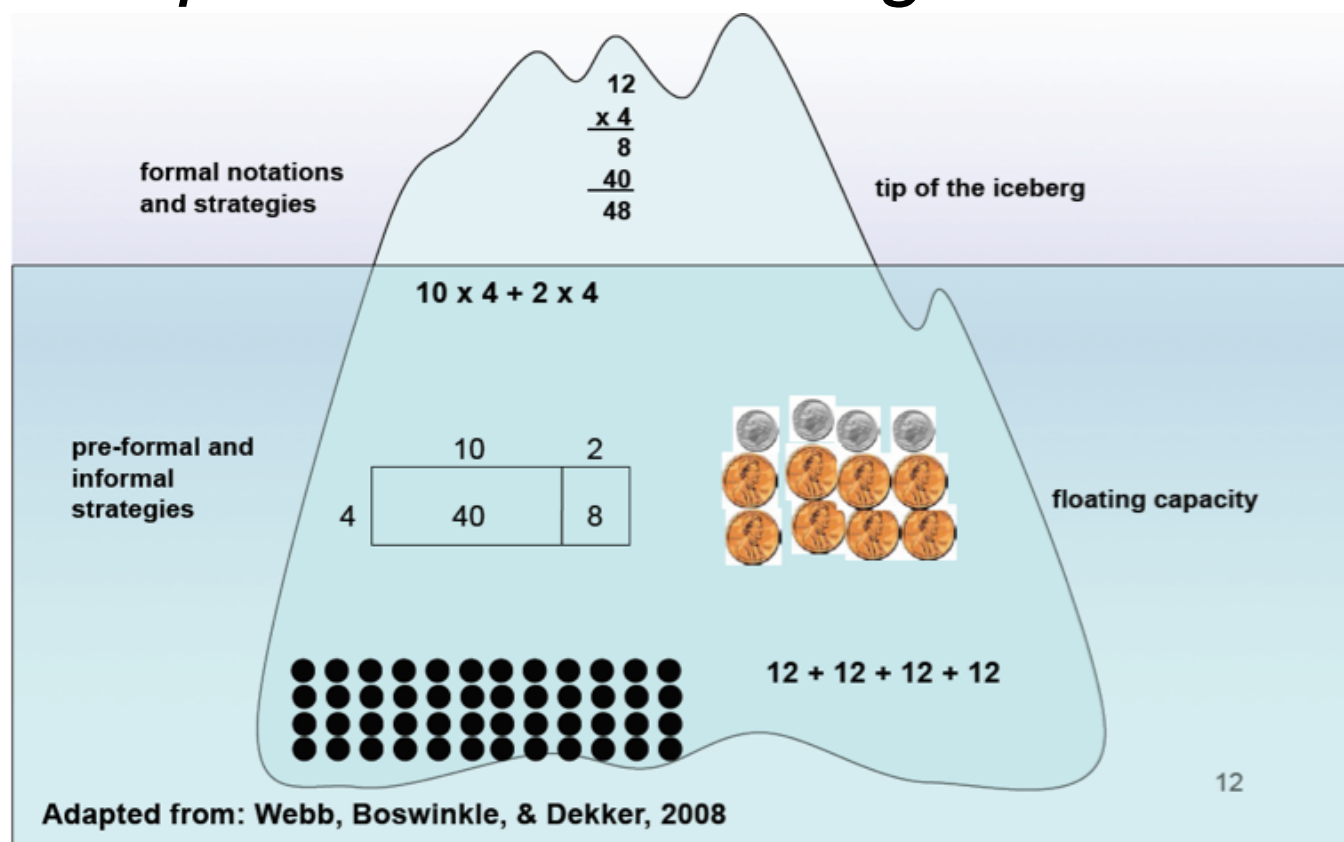
$$\begin{array}{r} 28 = 20 + 8 \\ + 44 = 40 + 4 \\ \hline 60 + 12 = 72 \text{ hats} \end{array}$$

Why Multiple Strategies?



Why Multiple Strategies?

Rationale #1 A range of strategies allows for *sense-making* and development of *conceptual understanding*.



Why Multiple Strategies?

Rationale #2 A range of strategies promotes computational fluency.



-National Research Council

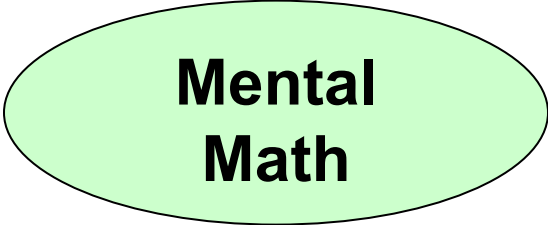
Why Multiple Strategies?

Rationale #3 A range of strategies helps students *access and respond to* mathematical contexts.

There are 5204 Chocos. A customer came in and bought 565. Another customer came in and wanted to buy 4859 pieces of candy. Was there enough candy in the store so that he could buy that much?



Estimation



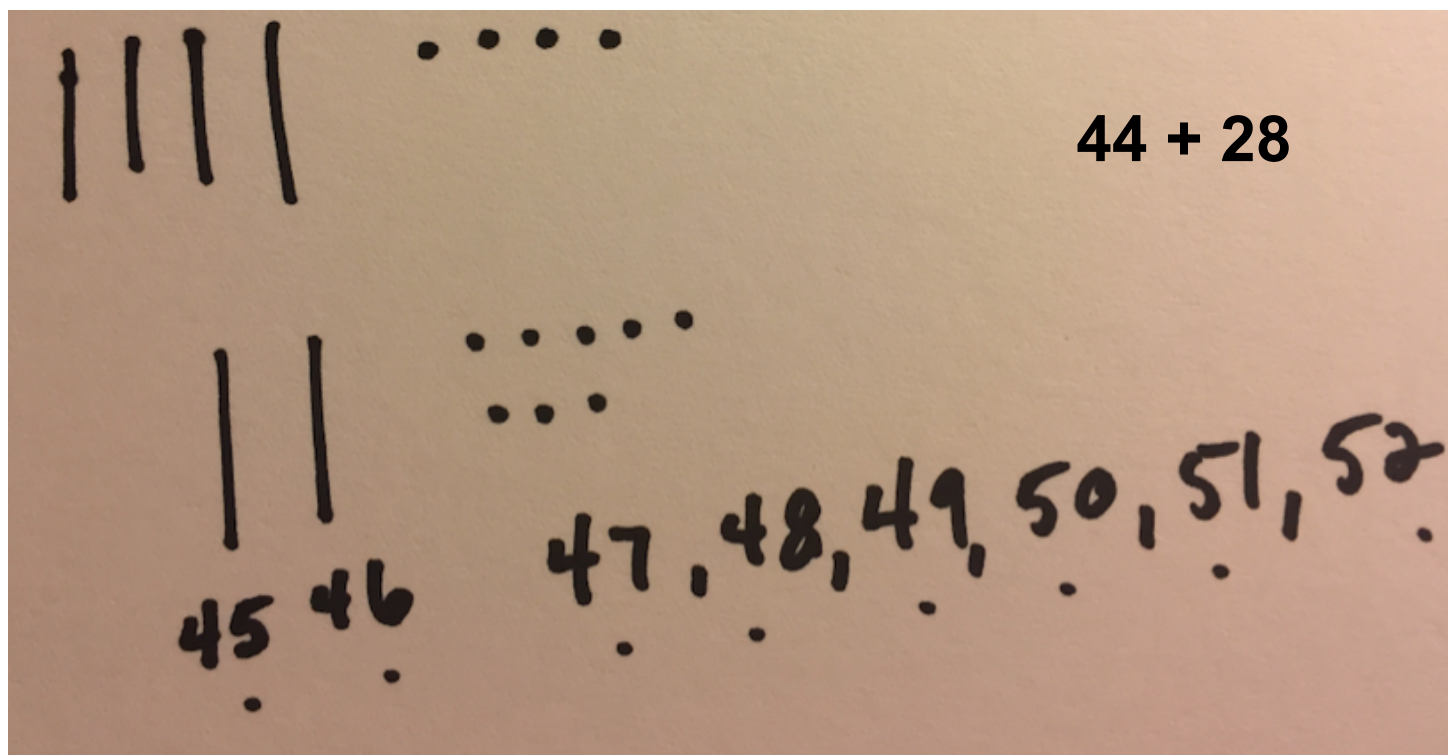
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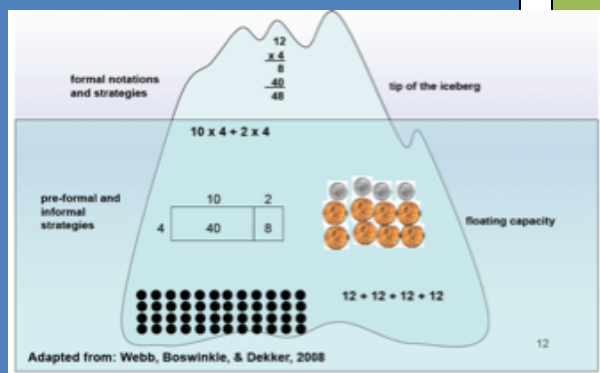
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Rationale #4 A range of strategies supports a range of student *identities* and *needs*.



Why Multiple Strategies?

Direct Modeling



Counting Strategies

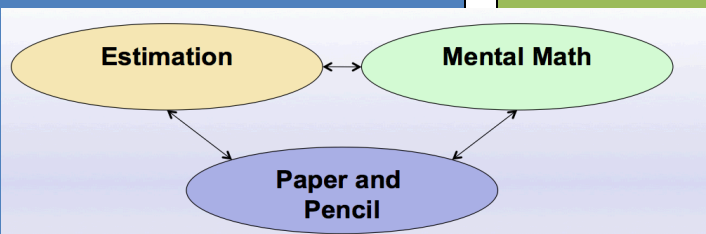
Reasoning from Known Facts

Flexibly

Accurately

Efficiently

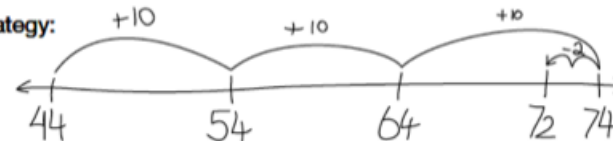
Appropriately



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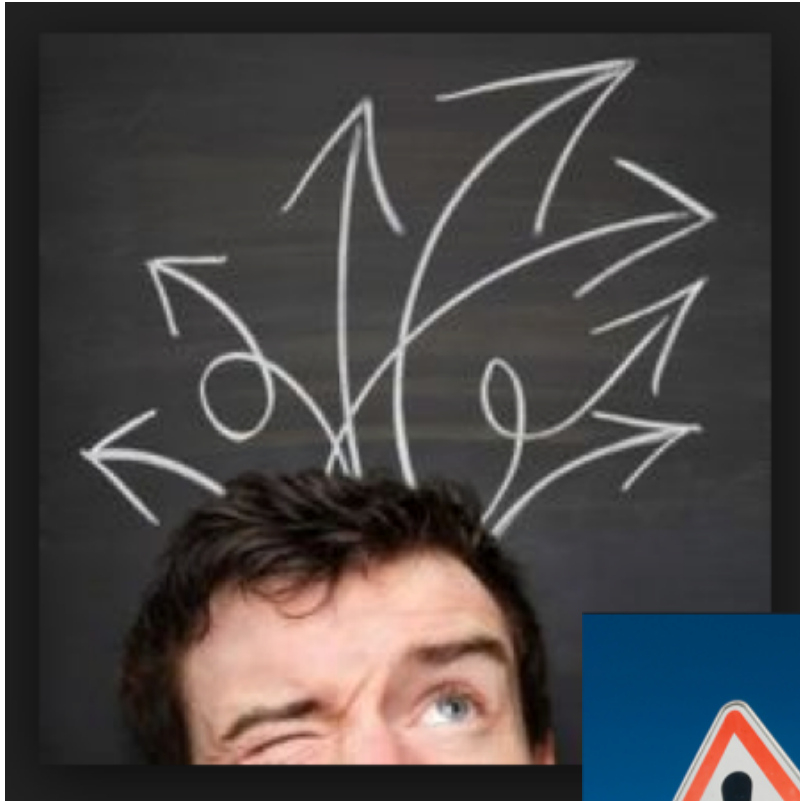


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Why Multiple Strategies?



Why Multiple Strategies?



- Too many.
- Keep using the same inefficient strategy.
- Found a favorite.
- Connections between strategies and representations not present.
- Not sure which to use when.
- Strategy is a procedure rather than a way to support reasoning or understanding.

*“To find one’s way around the mathematical terrain, it is important to see **how the various representations connect with each other**, how they are similar, and how they are different. The degree of students’ conceptual understanding is **related to the richness and extent of the connections they have made**.”*

- National Research Council, 2001

How multiple strategies???

Connect

Representations of Reasoning

Connect to Representations

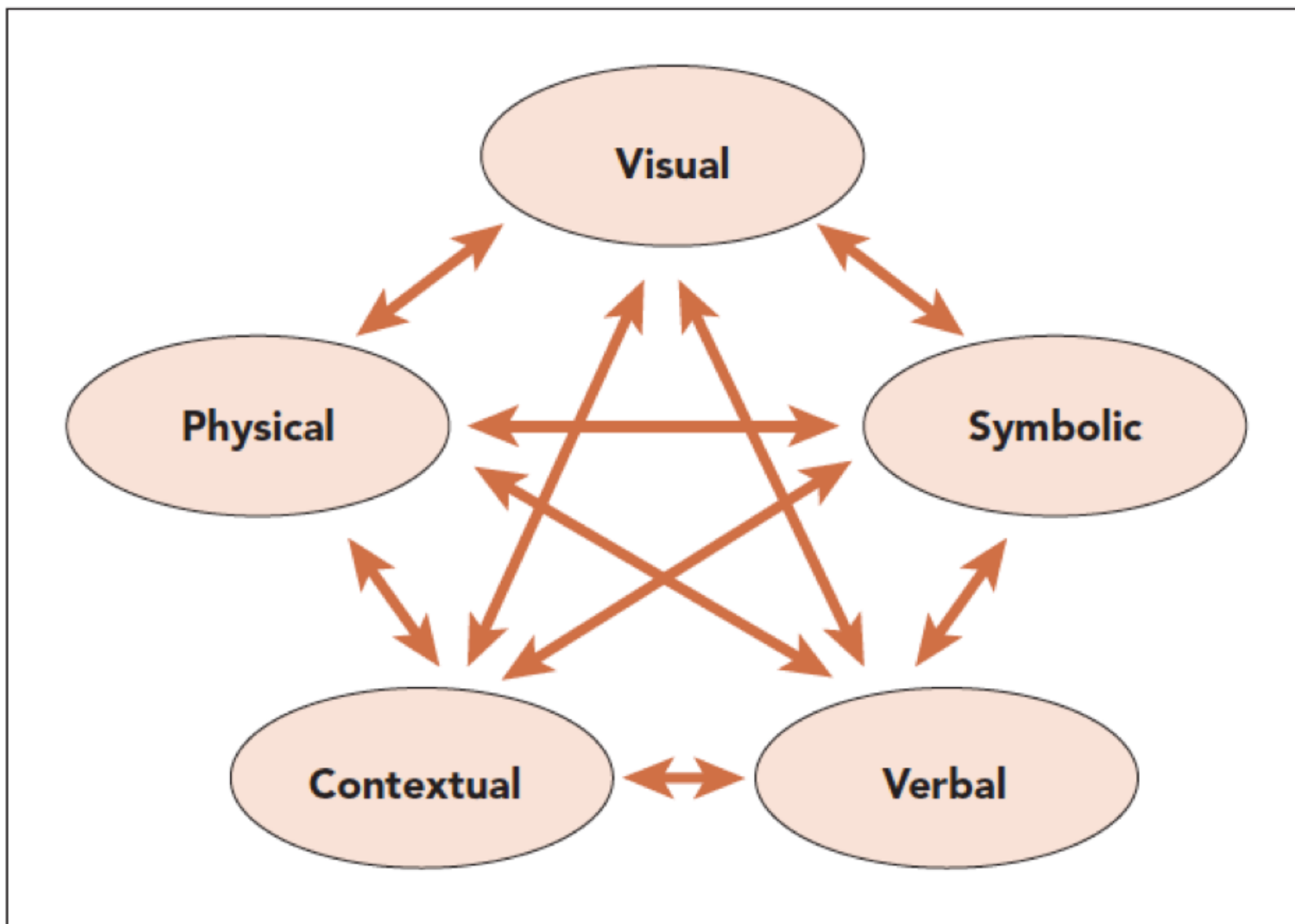


**Five frogs on the log.
Three jump off.**

**There are 2 frogs on
the log.**

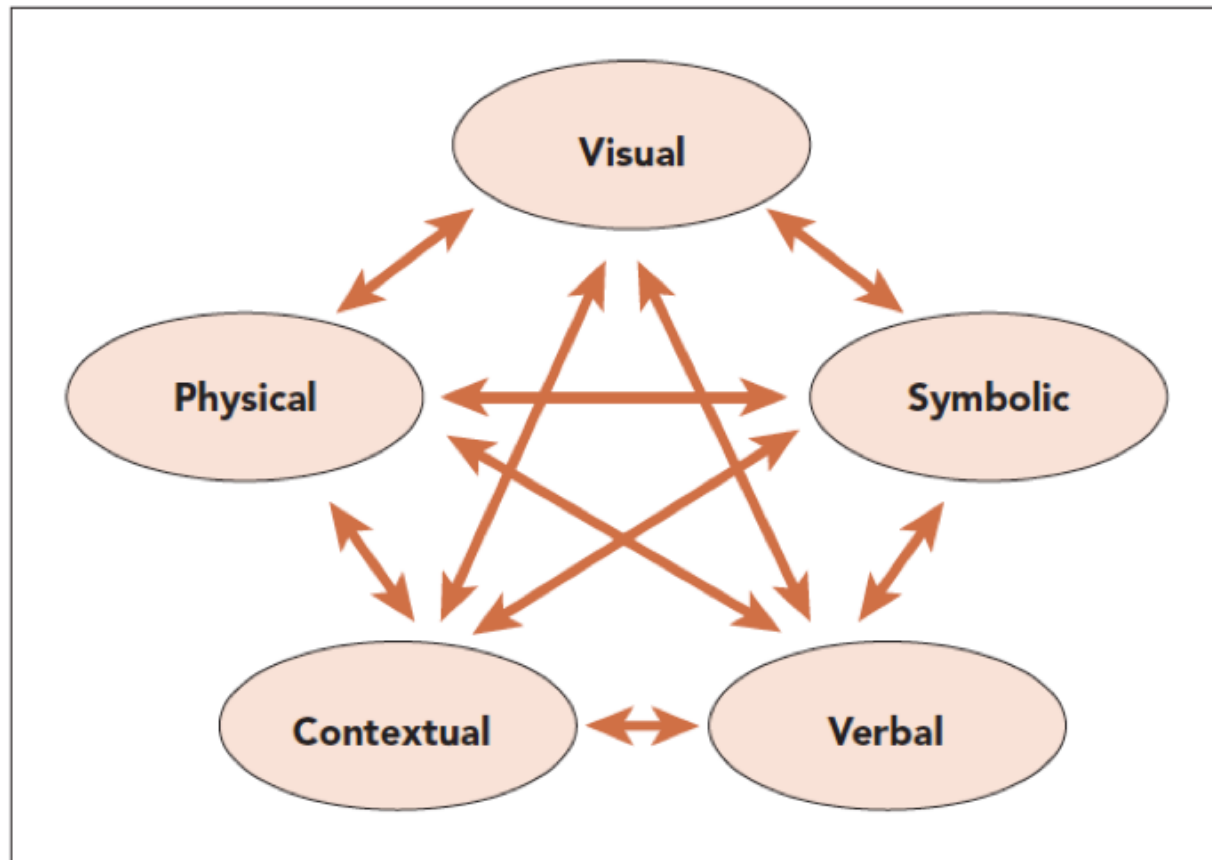
3 minus 5 is 2





Three specific instructional strategies to support students' development of representational competence are suggested by Marshall, Superfine, and Canty (2010, p. 40). They include—

- engaging in dialogue about the explicit connections between representations;
- alternating directionality of the connections made among representations; and
- encouraging purposeful selection of representations.



Stages of Conceptual Development

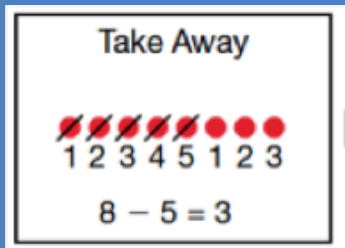
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**Counting
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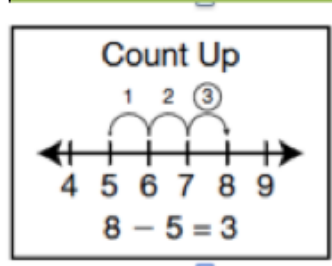
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Known Facts**

Phases to Develop Fluency

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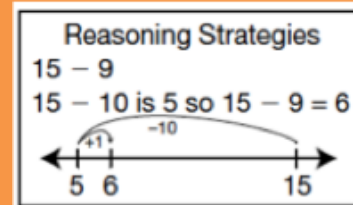


Counting Strategies



Reasoning From Known Facts

I know $3 + 5 = 8$
so, $8 - 5 = 3$



Fluency

Flexibly

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Efficiently

Appropriately

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Counting All

● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

$$5 + 3 = 8$$



Counting On

● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
 5 6 7 8

$$5 + 3 = 8$$



Reasoning from Known Facts

$$9 + 6 = 10 + 5 = 15$$

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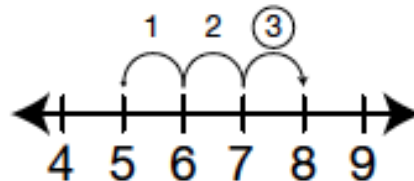
Reasoning from Known Facts

Take Away



$$8 - 5 = 3$$

Count Up

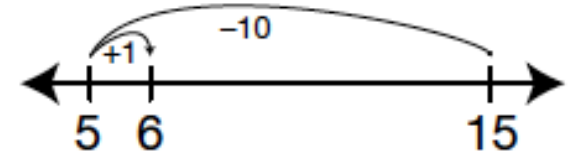


$$8 - 5 = 3$$

Reasoning Strategies

$$15 - 9$$

15 - 10 is 5 so 15 - 9 = 6



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**Counting
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**Reasoning from
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Look at the student work, what phase of reasoning is evident?

“Discussions that focus on cognitively challenging mathematical tasks, namely those that promote thinking, reasoning, and problems solving, are a primary mechanism for promoting conceptual understanding of mathematics.”

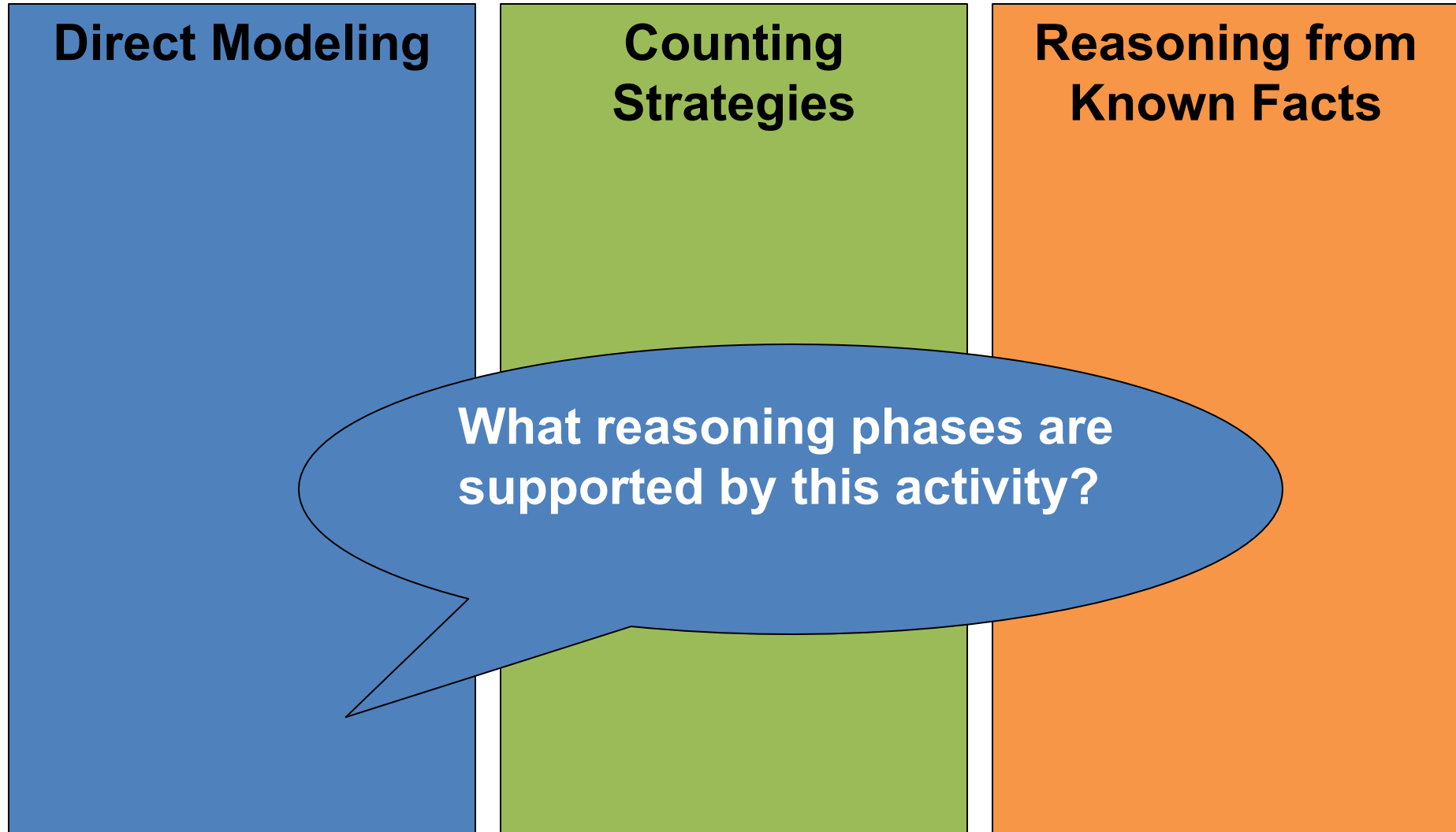
Smith, Hughes, Engle & Stein, 2009, p. 549

What connections are being made?

"100 Link chain"

Segment 2

Stages of Conceptual Development



What connections are being made?

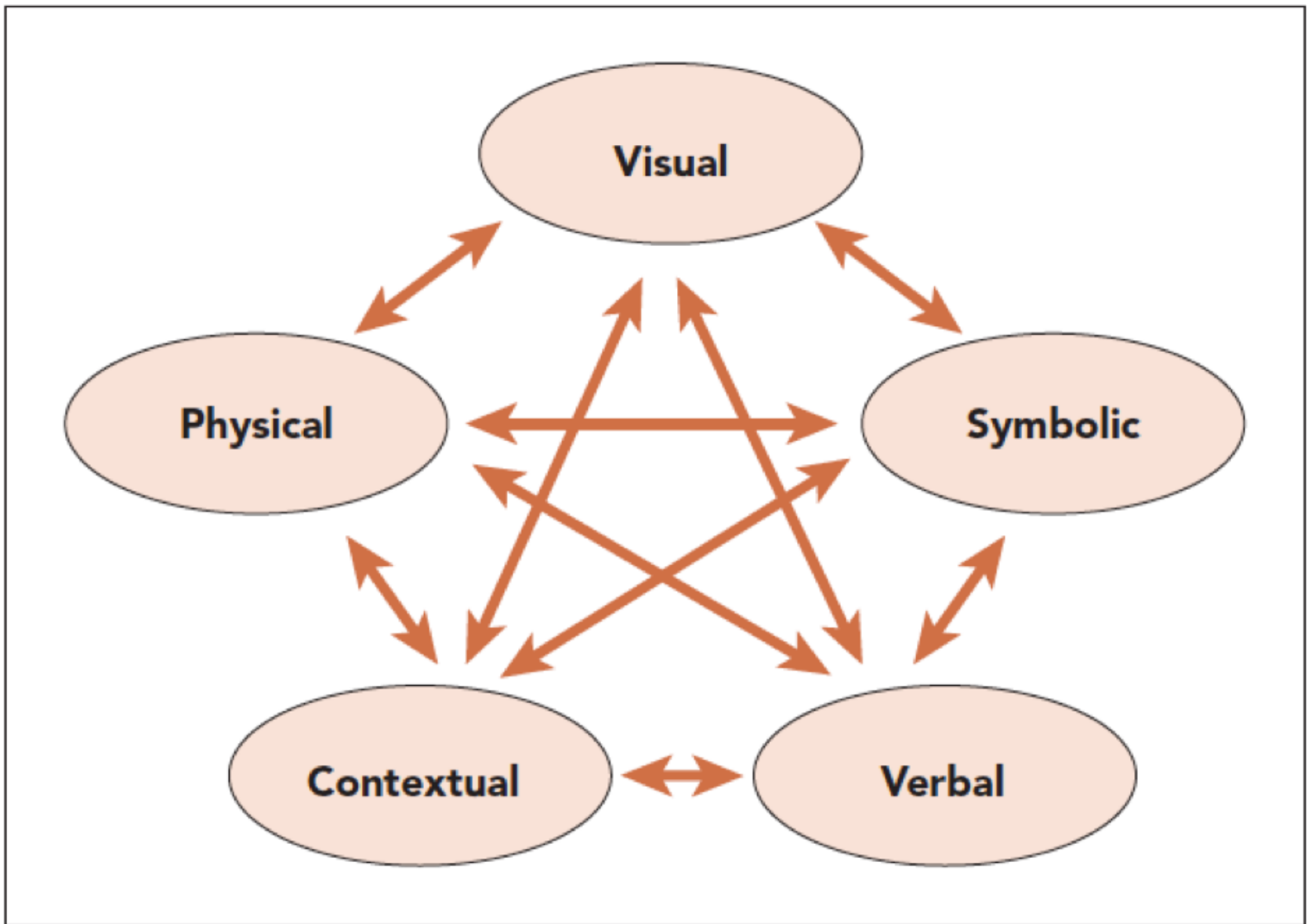


Partition Ten

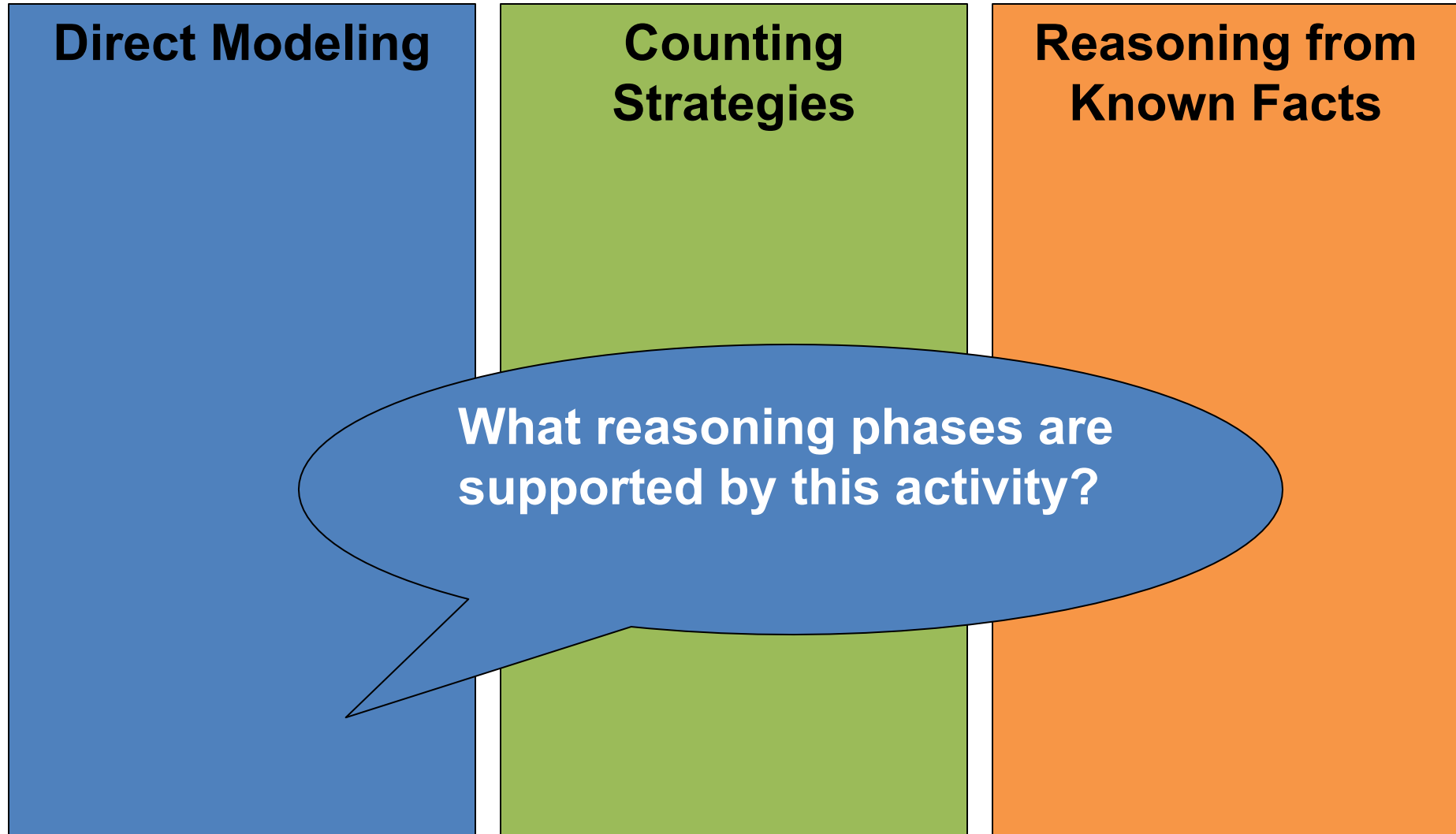


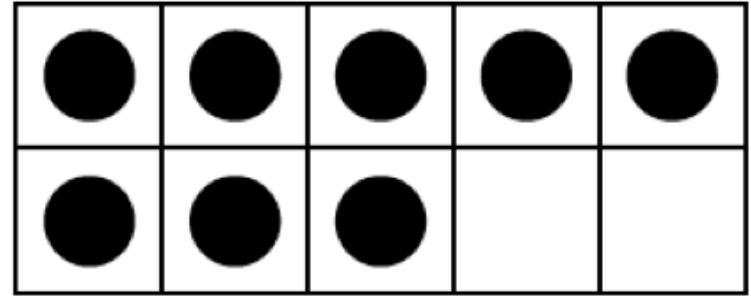
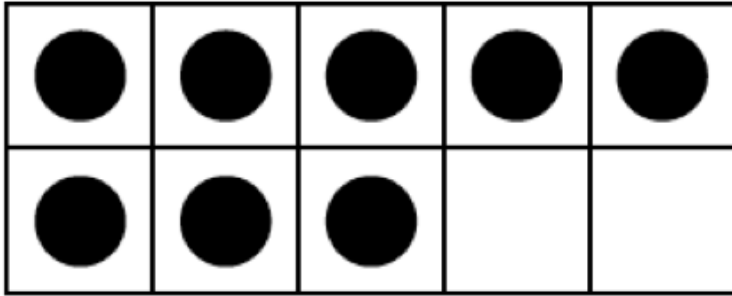
Stand up and find a partner.

1. Face your partner.
2. Player 1 puts both arms straight up in the air.
3. Once in the air, Player 1 uses his or her fingers to show a number between 0 and 10.
4. Player 2 puts his or her arms down and displays the number needed to make ten. For example, Player 1 shows 4 fingers and Player 2 shows 6 fingers because $4 + 6 = 10$.
5. On the next turn, Player 2 leads.



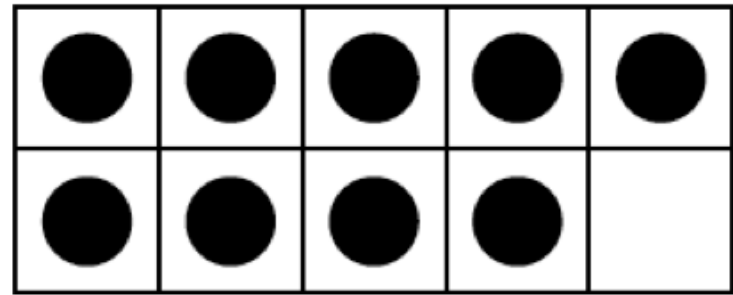
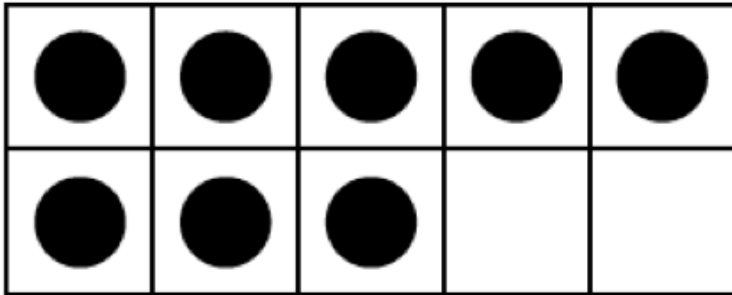
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$$8 + 8 = 8 + 2 + 6$$

$$8 + 8 = 5 + 5 + 3 + 3$$



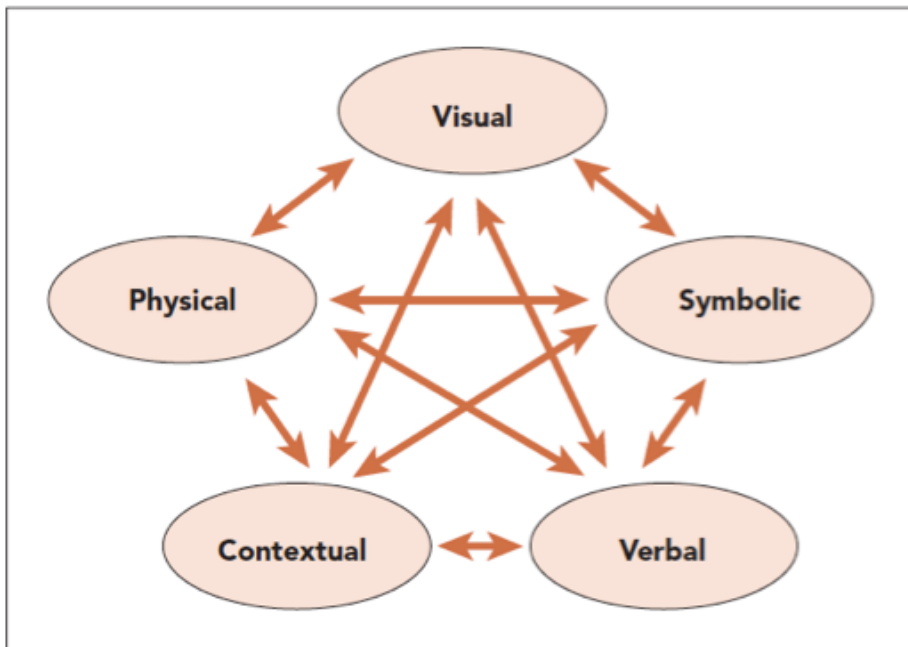
$$8 + 9 = 9 + 1 + 7$$

$$8 + 9 = 8 + 2 + 7$$

$$8 + 9 = 5 + 5 + 3 + 4$$

$$8 + 9 = 8 + 8 + 1$$

Connect Representations



Connect to Reasoning Development

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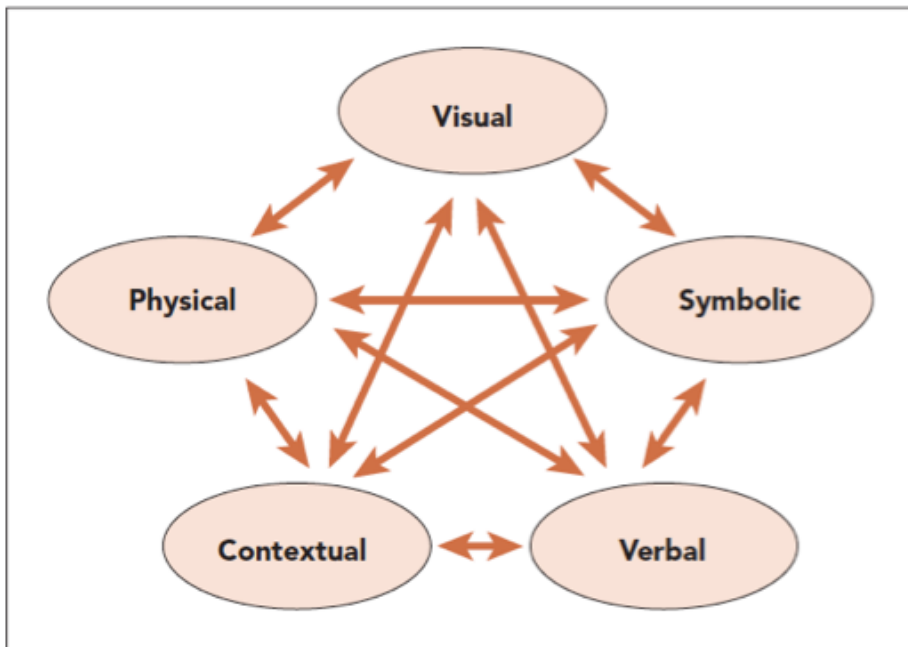
Reasoning from Known Facts

Analyze Kinds of Connections

Find someone from your grade level to play a game with:

- ***Towers of Ten Game*** Grade K
- ***Doubles, Doubles +1, Doubles -1*** Grade 1
- ***Not More Than 100*** Grade 2

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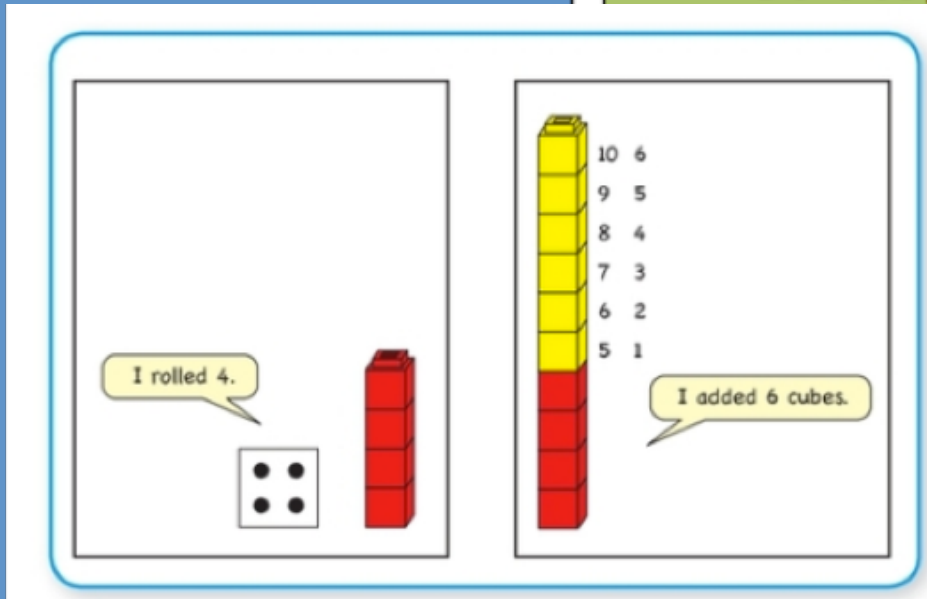
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Name _____ Date _____

Doubles, Doubles +1, Doubles -1

The object of this game is to write number sentences to show doubles, doubles +1, or doubles -1 and to predict whether the sum will be odd or even. This is a game for two players.

Materials:

- Number Spinner (1–10) and Doubles Spinner
- Clear plastic spinner or a pencil and paper clip
- 25 connecting cubes
- Doubles, Doubles +1, Doubles -1 Recording Sheet

Directions:

1. Player 1 spins the Number Spinner and the Doubles Spinner. For example, Player 1 spins a 7 and Doubles -1.
- Use the spins to write a number sentence and predict whether the sum is odd or even. Find the sum and circle whether the sum is even or odd. Record your work on the recording sheet.



Number Sentence	Sum	Even or Odd?	Prediction Correct
$7 + 6 =$	13	Even	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. Player 2 checks Player 1's work and places a ✓ in Player 1's last column if the prediction is correct.
3. Player 2 now spins, makes a prediction, and completes the next row on the recording sheet.
4. Players continue to take turns for five rounds.
5. The player with most correct predictions wins.

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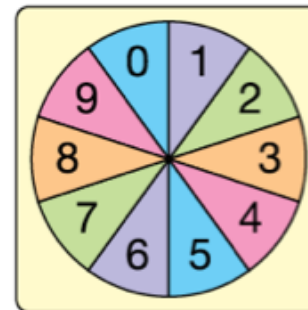
Reasoning from Known Facts

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Sample Recording Sheet

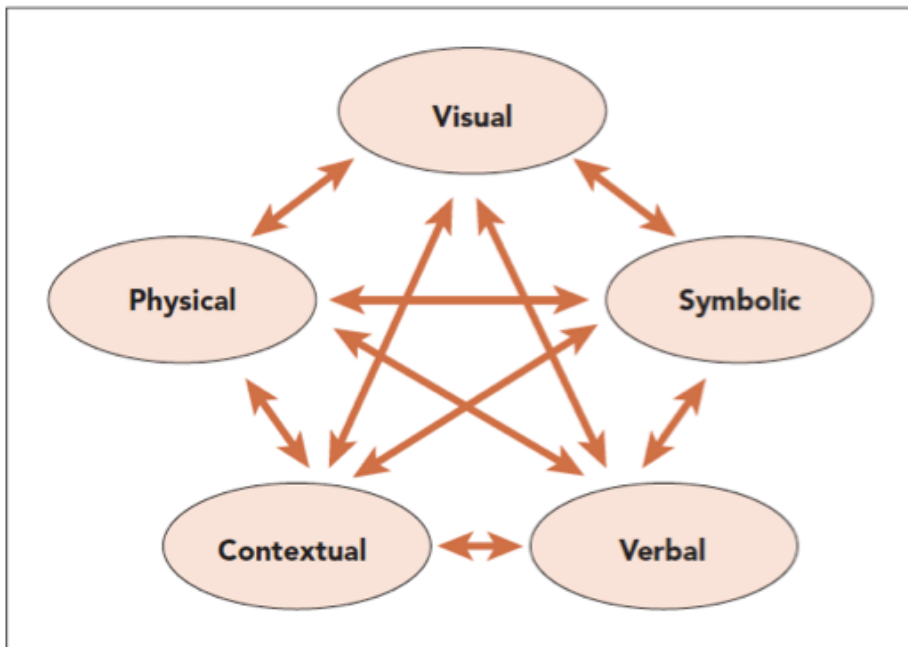
Spin	Tens	Ones	Number Sentence
1	5	0	$50 + 0 = 50$
2		6	$50 + 6 = 56$
3	2	0	$56 + 20 = 76$
4		9	$76 + 9 = 85$
5	1	0	$85 + 10 = 95$

Not More Than 100 Spinner



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Connect Representations



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Connect to Student's Thinking

**I thought about
coins . . .**

**$80 + 28 = 108$
1 less than 108
is 107.**

**Are all students
in the same
place?**



[Adding: $79 + 28$]
I think um...I made 79 circles and 28
squares...

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**Counting
Strategies**

**Reasoning from
Known Facts**

Solve $79 + 28$.

Direct Modeling

Tell me a story for this problem. Ask connection questions: What does + mean in your story? What does the [3] mean?

Show your story [on a number line, with a picture, by acting it out, by acting it out with objects].

Provide the problem in a context.

Counting Strategies

Show or tell me how you would solve the problem.

Try to solve it with [a number line, counters].

See how many different ways you can solve this problem.

Try to count a different way.
counting up, counting back,
counting on

I see you solved $[4 + 3]$. Find a way to solve $[14 + 3]$.

Reasoning from Known Facts

What friendly fact might help?

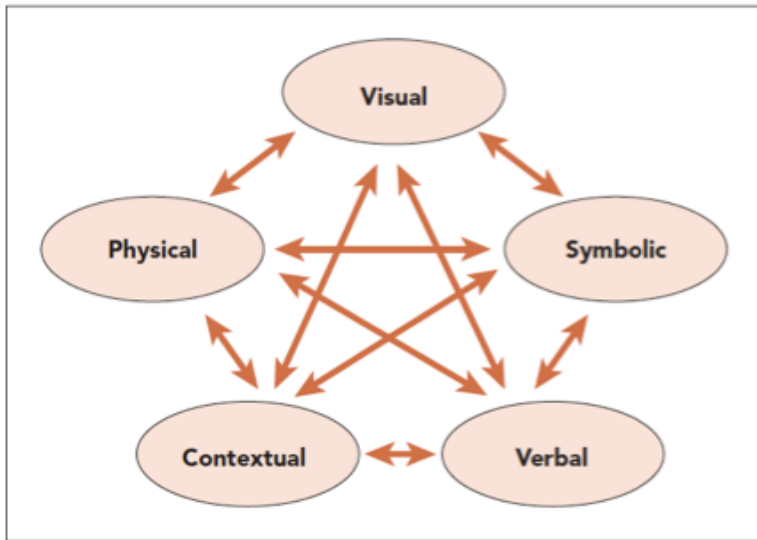
Try to solve it with a different friendly fact. How could [ten, a double] help?

Try to use [ten frames, a rekenrek].

I see you know $[6 + 4]$. How can that help you solve $[8 + 4]$?

What addition fact might help with this subtraction problem?

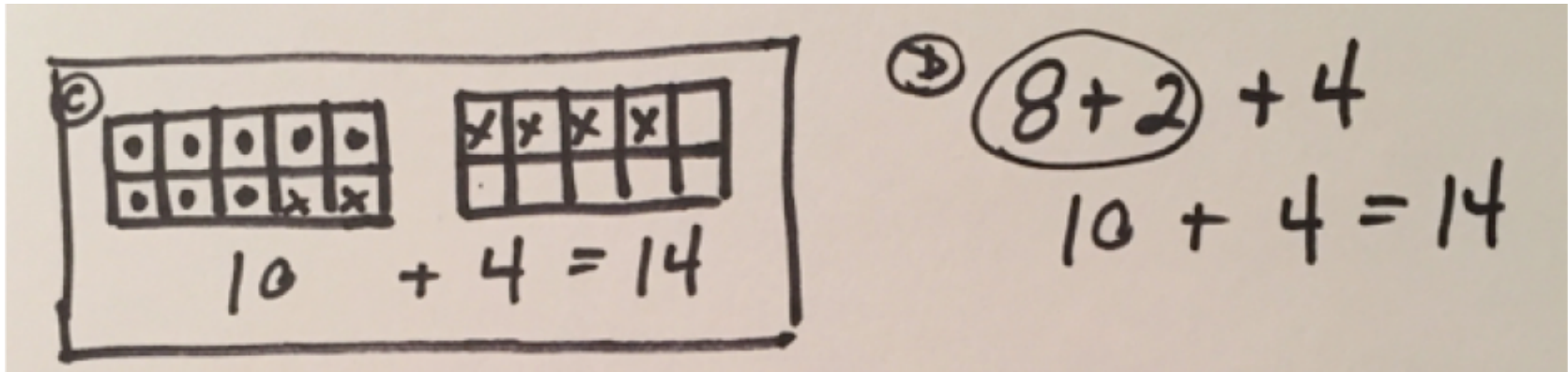
Addition and Subtraction¹⁴



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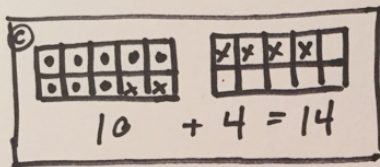
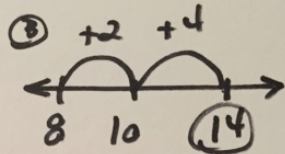
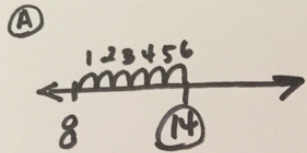
Connect Strategies

Connect to Strategies (pg. 13)

Look at the solutions to $8 + 6$

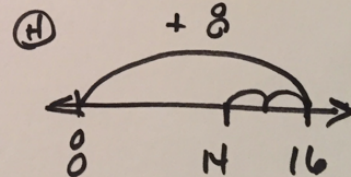
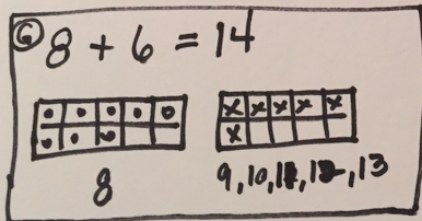
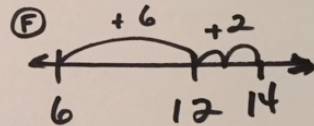
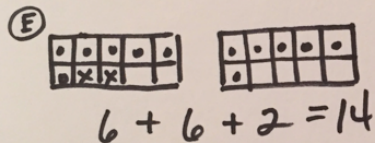
- Which used the same representation?
- Which used the same strategy?

$$8 + 6$$



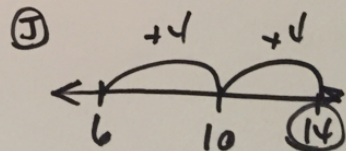
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$$\begin{aligned} &8 + 2 + 4 \\ &10 + 4 = 14 \end{aligned}$$

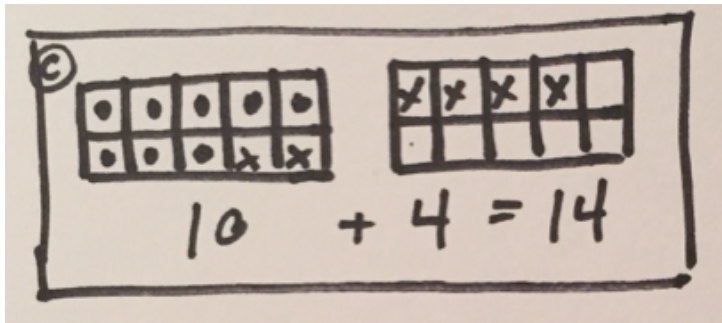
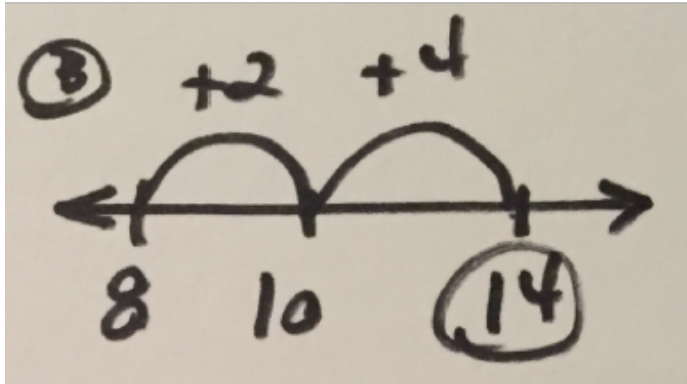


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$$\begin{aligned} &8 + 8 - 2 \\ &16 - 2 = 14 \end{aligned}$$



Connect to Strategies (pg. 6)



Handwritten equations:

$$\textcircled{B} \quad \textcircled{8 + 2} + 4$$
$$10 + 4 = 14$$

- Did these three students use the same strategy?
- I notice the +2 in Student B solution. Does student C add 2 to 8? How is that shown?
- How is the +2 shown in Student D's solution?



Connect to Strategies (pg. 6)

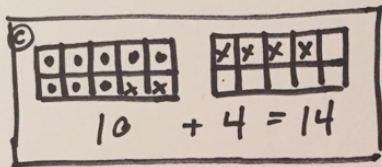
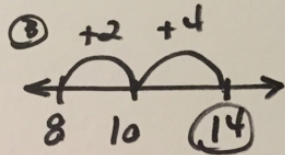
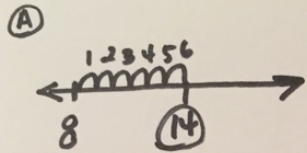
Your turn. Work with a partner.

Write questions that help students connect the strategies and representations.

Use Questions on pg. 7 as a guide.



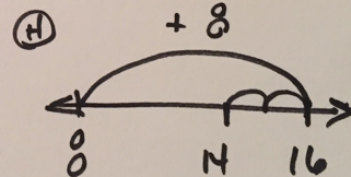
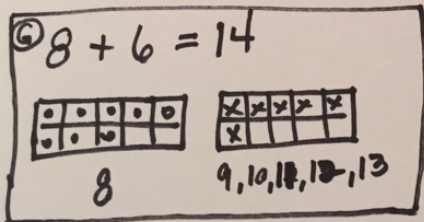
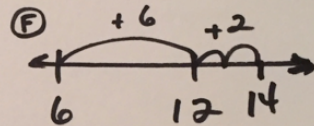
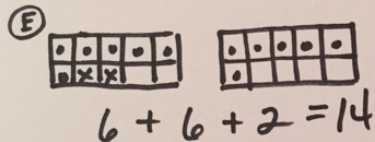
$$8 + 6$$



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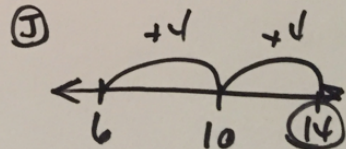
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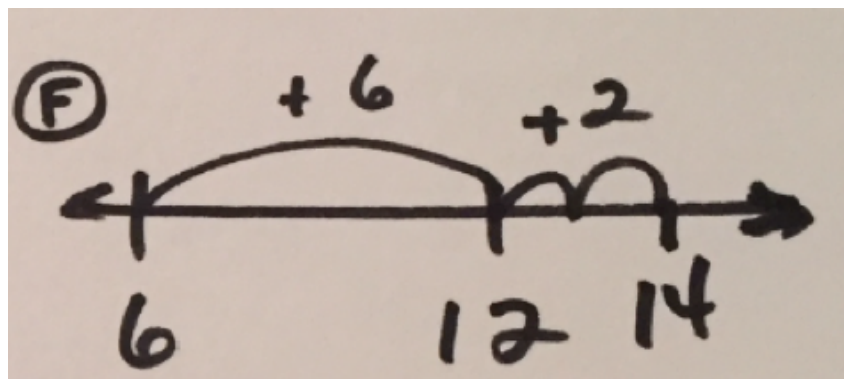
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$$8 + 8 - 2$$

$$16 - 2 = 14$$

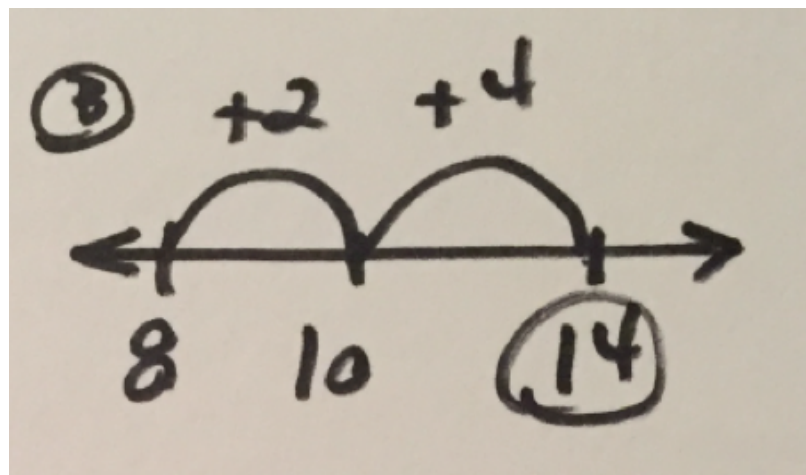


Connect to Strategies



I notice that both of these students counted on. Student F started at 6 and Student B started at 8.

Can they do that? Why does that work?



(A) $74 + 38 = 112$

$4 + 8 = 12$
 $70 + 30 = 100$
 $100 + 12 = 112$

(B) 74

$+ 38$

$12 + 100 = 112$

74
 $+ 38$
 $\hline 112$

(C) $74 + 38 = 112$

$70 + 30 = 100$

$4 + 8 = 12$

112

(D) $74 + 38 = 108$

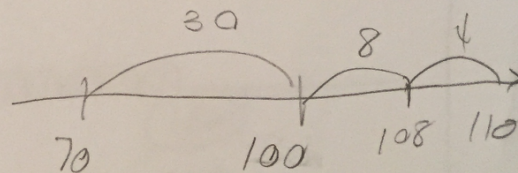
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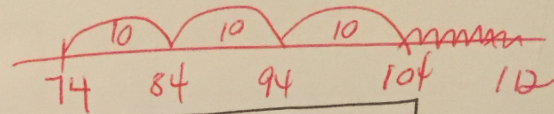
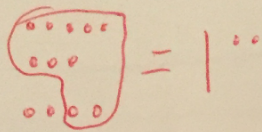
$100 + 8 = 108$

$108 + 4 = 112$

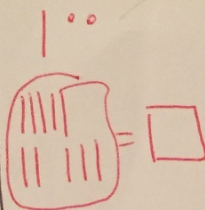
(F) $74 + 38 = 112$

112

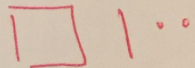




~~(A) $74 + 38 = 1012$~~



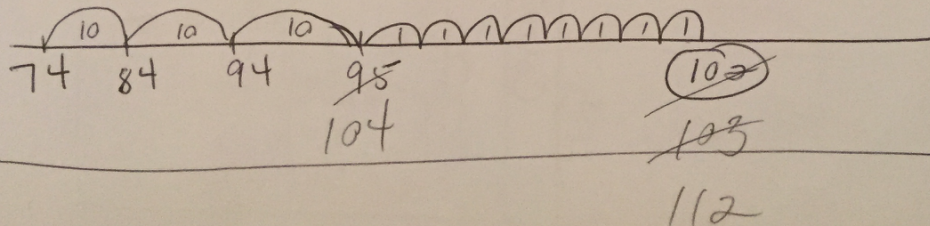
(B) $74 + 30 = 104$ ✓
 $104 + 8 = 112$



(C) $74 + 38 = 103$
I counted on
the 120 Chart.

(D) $70 + 30 = 100$
 $8 + 4 = 12$
 $100 + 12 = 112$

(E) $74 + 38 = 102$



Design your own based on something you are seeing in your classroom.

Connect to Strategies

1. Chris's group made 28 hats. Julia's group made 44 hats. How many hats did both groups make altogether?

Julia's Strategy:

Altogether we made 72 hats. I broke the numbers into tens and ones: $20 + 40$ is 60, 8 and 4 is 12, $60 + 12$ is 72. We made 72 hats.



Julia

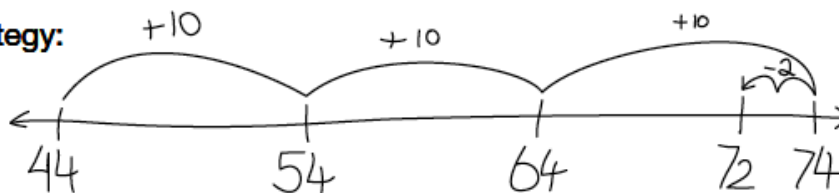
$$\begin{array}{r} 28 = 20 + 8 \\ + 44 = 40 + 4 \\ \hline 60 + 12 = 72 \text{ hats} \end{array}$$



Chris

I can think about it better if I make a number line in my head. I think about starting at 44, moving forward 30 and then back 2, since 28 is 2 less than 30. I can write it like this.

Chris's Strategy:



I start at 44 and then add on 30, going by tens: 54, 64, 74. Subtract 2 and it is 72. 72 hats.

2. A. How did Julia use tens and ones to add?
B. How did Chris use tens and ones?



Connect to Student's Strategies

1. Jason solved the following problem. Does his answer make sense? Why or why not?

$$\begin{array}{r} 97 \\ + 86 \\ \hline 1713 \end{array}$$



Connect to Context Demands

Sort the problems by strategy.

$$2 - 1$$

$$2 - 2$$

$$\underline{6} - 5$$

$$8 - 7$$

$$7 - 5$$

$$7 - \underline{6}$$

$$3 - 1$$



Connect to Context Demands

Sort the problems by strategy.

Counting
Back

$$2 - 1$$

$$2 - 2$$

$$3 - 1$$

Doubles
+1

$$8 - 7$$

$$\underline{6} - 5$$

Sarah's
Strategy
Doubles -1

$$7 - 5$$

$$7 - \underline{6}$$

Connect to Context Demands

$$9 + 5$$

$$8 + 7$$

$$8 + \underline{6}$$

$$8 + 8$$

Would you use the same strategy?

$$9 + 2$$



Connect to Student's Thinking

How can you use one fact to solve another?

$$4 - 4$$

$$4 - 3$$

$$10 - 7$$

$$9 - 7$$





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Follow



Students with number sense know **WHEN!**
When to compute, When to use mental math,
When to estimate, When to use data sources
to inform, When they must work quickly, and
When they should take their time. The
intersection of experience, opportunity, **AND**,
confidence gets them to **WHEN**.

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Connect to Context Demands

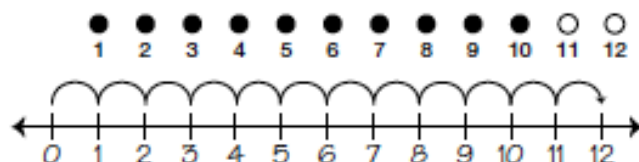
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Counting All	Making Ten
Counting On	Using Ten
Another Strategy _____	Using Doubles

Addition Strategies Menu for the Facts

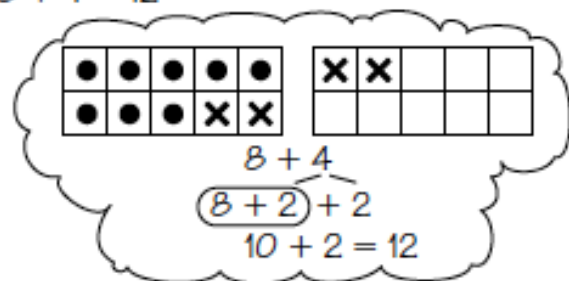
Counting All

$$10 + 2 = 12$$



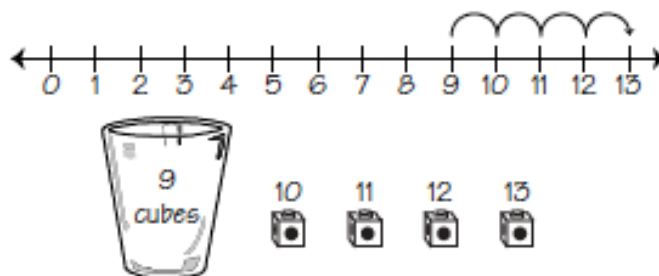
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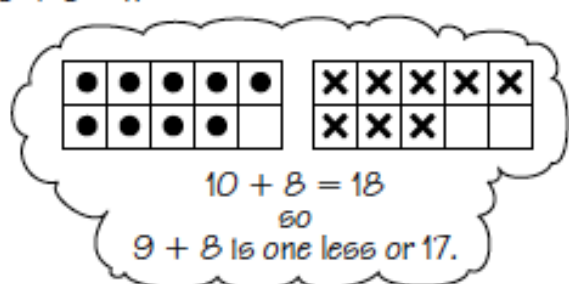
Counting On

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Using Ten

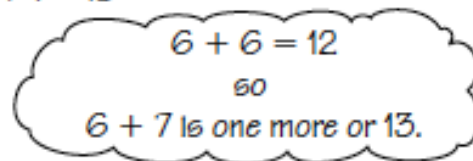
$$9 + 8 = 17$$



Another Strategy _____

Using Doubles

$$6 + 7 = 13$$



Addition Strategies Menu

Finding Friendly Numbers

$$138 + 29$$

$$140 + 30 = 170$$

170 is a reasonable estimate.



Using Base-Ten Pieces

$$\begin{array}{r} 68 \\ + 55 \\ \hline 123 \end{array}$$

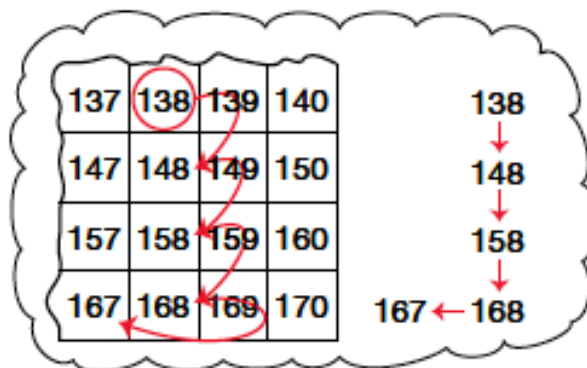
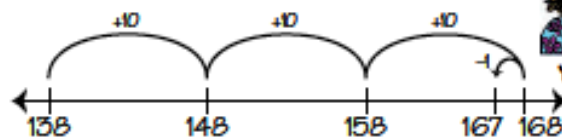


Trade 11 skinnies and 13 bits for 1 flat, 2 skinnies, and 3 bits

Counting On

$$138 + 29$$

$$138 + 30 - 1 = 167$$



Using Expanded Form

$$\begin{array}{r} 68 = 60 + 8 \\ + 55 = 50 + 5 \\ \hline 110 + 13 = 123 \end{array}$$



Using All-Partials

$$\begin{array}{r} 68 \\ + 55 \\ \hline 110 \\ + 13 \\ \hline 123 \end{array}$$



Using the Compact Method

$$\begin{array}{r} 68 \\ + 55 \\ \hline 123 \end{array}$$



Use Menus to prompt. . .

Try a method you hardly ever choose.

Show Tanya's method using a number line instead.

Which strategy do you think is best?

Carols got stuck. . .what strategy do you think will help him?

Is your strategy similar to . . .

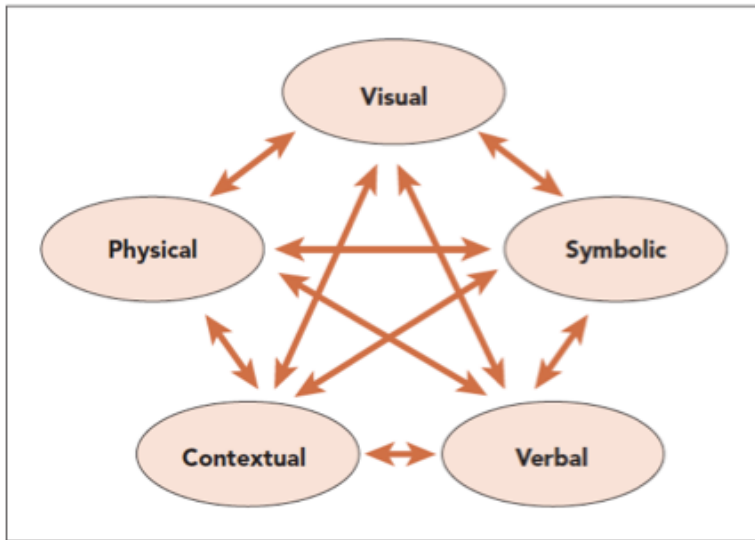
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Direct Modeling

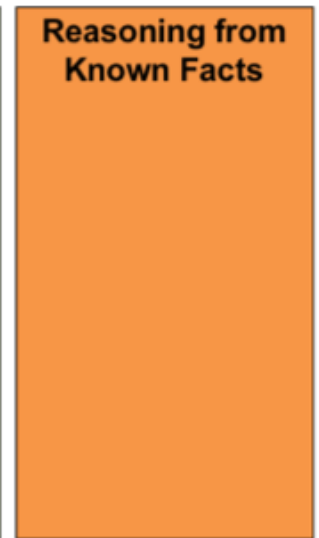
**Counting
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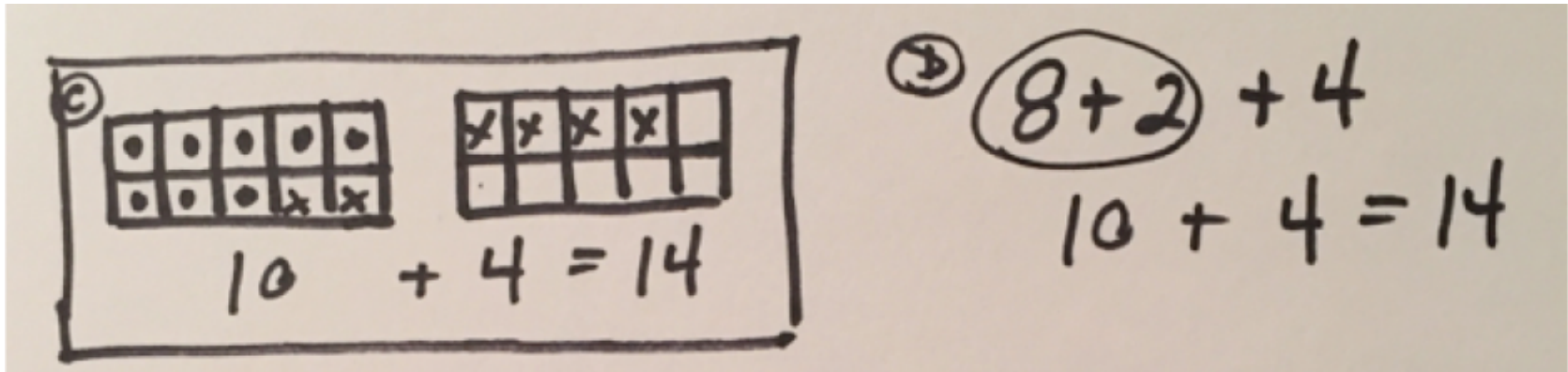
**Choose one activity from the folder. What connections
can be made?**



Connect Representations



Connect to Reasoning Development



Connect Strategies

Call to Action

- **Jot down a take away from today on a post-it note.**
- **Share with someone in the room.**
- **Post on your way out.**

Final Thoughts

Students are the ones that need to do the connecting.

Keep in touch.

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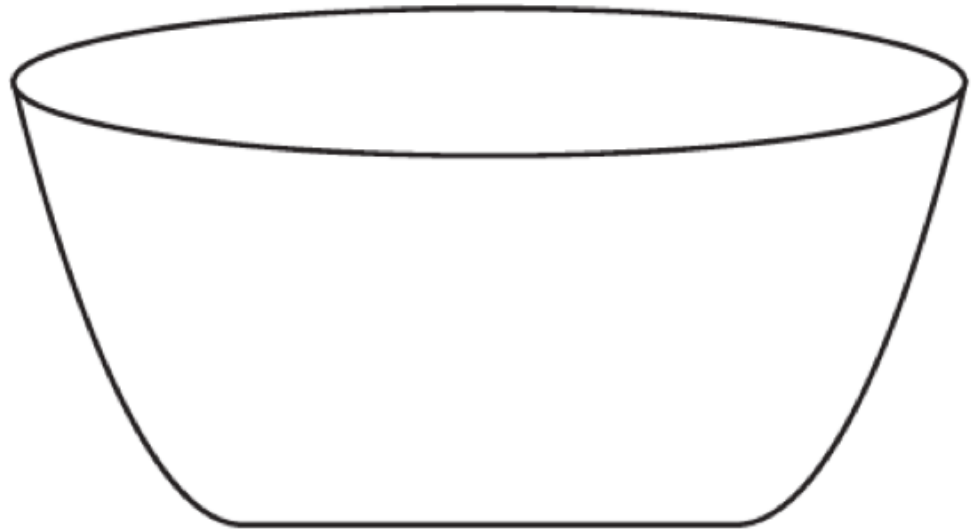
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Write a number sentence for your story.



**Direct
Modeling**

**Counting
Strategies**

Flip All 10

Materials:

- 1-10 Number Path
- 1 unifix cube
- 10 two-color chips
- 1 0-5 die (6 is a zero)

- Place 1 chip above each number on the number path. All the chips should have the same color showing.
- Student 1 rolls the die and places the cube on the number on the number path as a marker. He flips over the chip above the number. For example, the number is 6 and the chip above the 6 is turned over. Once a chip is turned over during a game, it cannot be flipped over again.
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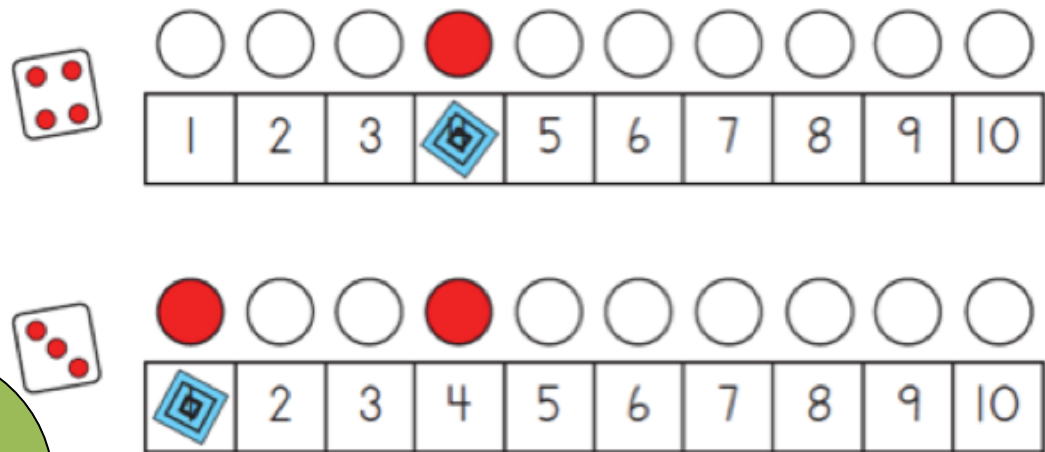


Figure 12: Game progression of Flip All 10

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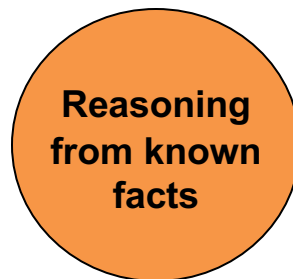
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Roll 10 (0-5) dice. (6 is a zero.)

Look for ways to make of 5 (or 10). Pull those to the side.

Roll the remaining dice and look again.

Repeat until all dice are paired to show partners to 5.



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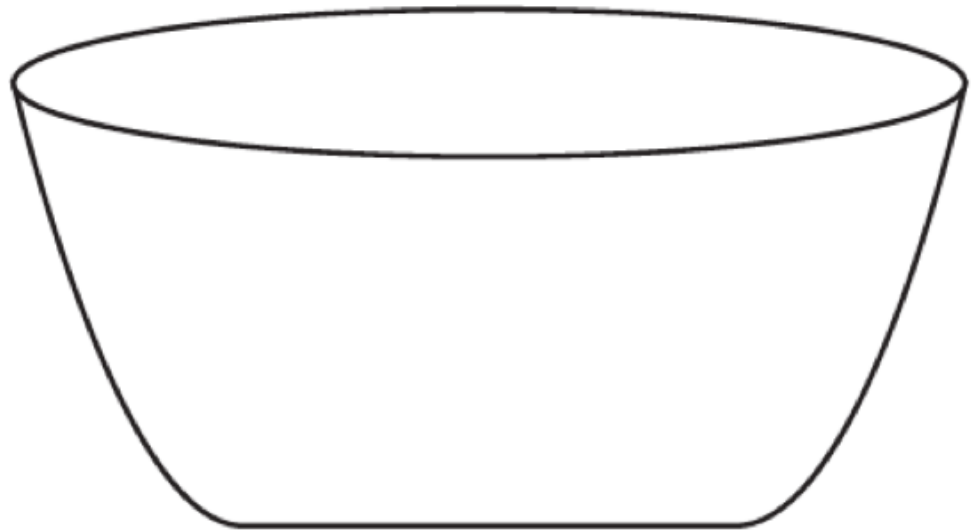
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Towers of Ten Game

Materials:

- 1 0-5 die
- 10 unifix cubes in two colors, one tower per student

Students take turns rolling a die and building a tower with that quantity. The other student then adds blocks to the tower to make ten.

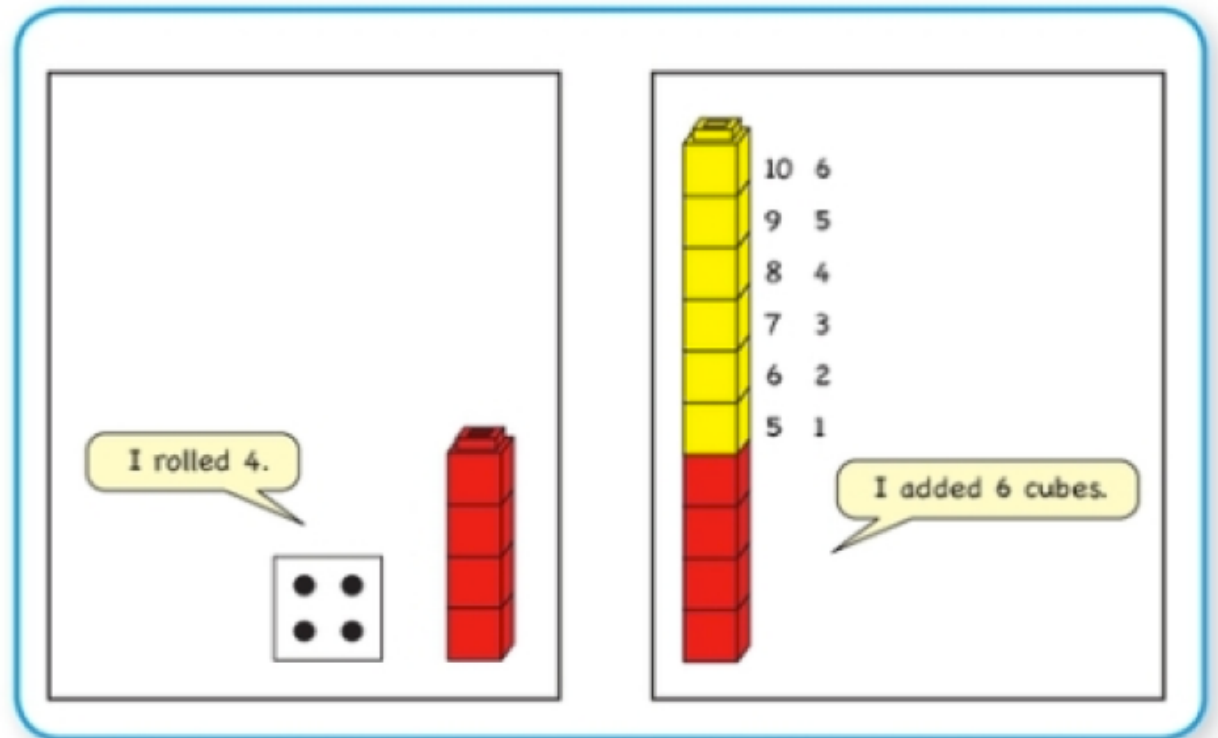


Figure 1: A sample round of Towers of Ten

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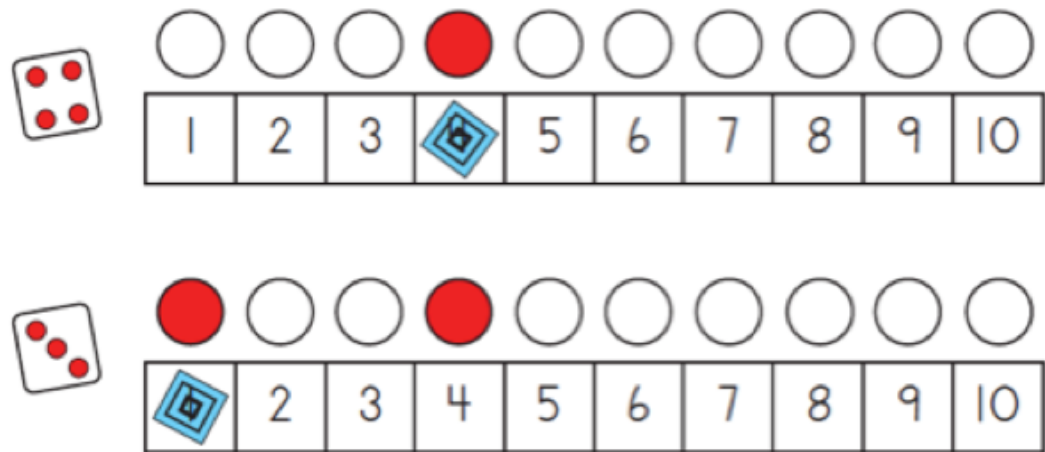


Figure 12: Game progression of Flip All 10

Find Ten Matches

Put two sets of 0-10 ten frame cards on the table, face down or face up.

Players take turns finding the partners to ten.

Goal, match all cards.

Make 5 (or 10)

Roll 10 (0-5) dice. (6 is a zero.)

Look for ways to make of 5 (or 10). Pull those to the side.

Roll the remaining dice and look again.

Repeat until all dice are paired to show partners to 5.



Addition Stories

Choose a number sentence. Write a story and solve it.



$$0 + 2$$

$$5 + 1$$

$$3 + 2$$

$$2 + 2$$

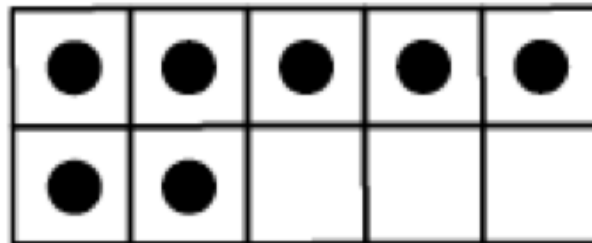
$$4 + 3$$

$$7 + 3$$

$$4 + 5$$

$$3 + 3$$

**Play Ten Frame Flash:
Subtract from Ten**

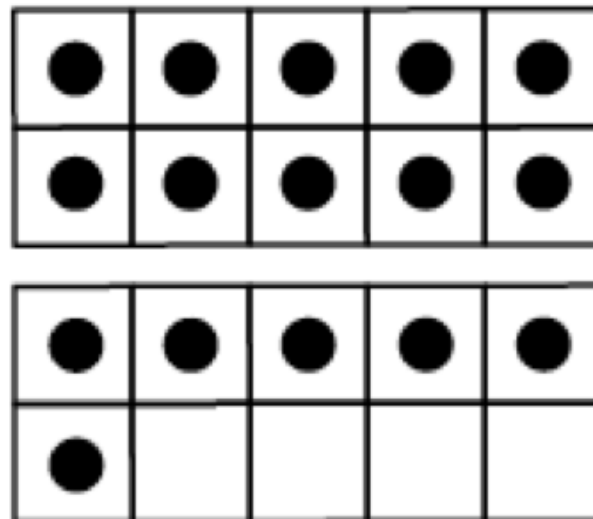


$$10 - 3 = 7$$

or

$$10 - 7 = 3$$

Play Minus Five

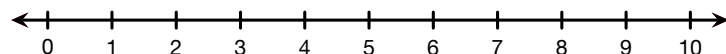


$$16 - 5 = 10 + 1 \text{ or } 11$$

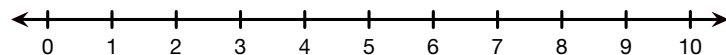
Birthday Party

Show how you solve each problem. Use connecting cubes, ten frames, or number lines.

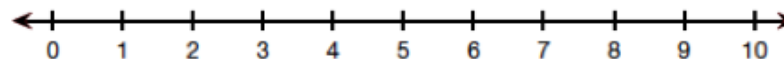
- John has 5 red balloons and 3 blue balloons. How many balloons does he have?



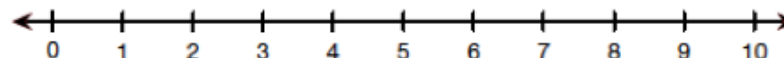
- There are 9 children at the party. Four of the children are girls. How many are boys?



- There are some candles on the cake. John put 4 more candles on the cake and now there are 7 candles. How many candles were on the cake?



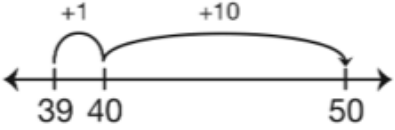
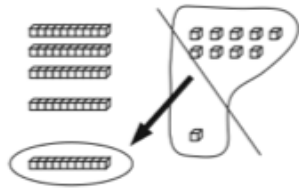
- The children played 5 games at the party. They played 2 games before lunch and some games after lunch. How many games did they play after lunch?



Start By

Solve the addition problems. Start each solution a different way.
Circle the strategy you like best.

One Strategy	Another Strategy
1. A. $8 + 9$ Start by adding $8 + 8$.	B. $8 + 9$ Start by splitting 8 into $7 + 1$.
2. A. $15 + 6$ Start by adding $15 + 5$.	B. $15 + 6$ Start by adding $5 + 6$.

Possible Strategies for $39 + 11$	
Start by adding $39 + 10$	$39 + 10 = 49$ $49 + 1 = 50$
Start by adding $39 + 1$	 $39 + 1 + 10 = 50$
Start by adding $9 + 1$	 5 skinnies or 50

0-10 Small Ten Frame Cards



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