THINKING WITH NUMBERS

Lesson Descriptions

Describing Parts & Whole

Describing two parts and considering the whole, without action, is another everyday situation that can be represented by addition. For example, asking how pieces of fruit are in a bowl when there are 3 bananas and 4 pears is a part + part = whole situation with no action. Describing the parts and asking how many are in the whole involves addition.

Expected content outcomes include helping children learn:
  • to recognize describing parts and the whole can be represented by addition,
  • to use numbers and the plus sign to represent addition, and
  • to recognize when addition can be used to represent describing parts and the whole situations in everyday life.