Addition and Subtraction Unit 2

Problem solving and reasoning: Questions

Year 2

Fact families. Write four number sentences that link each 'trio' of numbers:

3, 8, 5 27, 2, 25

Fill in the missing numbers: $62 + _ = 69$ $48 = 43 + _$ $37 + _ = 41$ $_ - 5 = 74$

Write the missing number in each diagram:

?	
45	3

37	
?	2

Write 8 + 4 = 12 in the middle of a space and circle it. Draw 8 spider legs out from it. Write 8 sentences, each with a 2-digit number, based on this central fact, e.g. 18 + 4 = 22, 52 - 8 = 44.

Always true, sometimes true or never true:

- Adding 7 to a number ending in 4 gives an answer ending in 1.
- Subtracting 6 from a number gives an answer ending in 2.

You have the number cards 12, 5, 8 and 7. Decide on an efficient order and strategies to add them. Why did you choose this order/ strategy?

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Problem solving and reasoning: Answers

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Fact families. Write four number sentences that link each 'trio' of numbers:

3, 8, 5 3 + 5 = 8, 5 + 3 = 8, 8 - 5 = 3, 8 - 3 = 5. 27, 2, 25 25 + 2 = 27, 2 + 25 = 27, 27 - 2 = 25, 27 - 5 = 2.

Fill in the missing numbers: 62 + 7 = 69 48 = 43 + 5 37 + 4 = 4179 - 5 = 74

Where children's answers in these and the questions below are 1 more or 1 less than the actual answer, this is most likely due to counting on in 1s rather than using number facts.

Write the missing number in each diagram:

48	
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Year 3

Write 8 + 4 = 12 in the middle of a space and circle it. Draw 8 spider legs out from it. Write 8 sentences, each with a 2-digit number, based on this central fact, e.g. 18 + 4 = 22, 52 - 8 = 44. Some examples:

4 + 8 = 12, 12 - 4 = 8, 12 - 8 = 4, 80 + 40 = 120, 40 + 80 = 120, 120 - 40 = 80, 120 - 80 = 40, 800 + 400 = 1200 etc. Can children explain how their new facts relate to the original one?

Always true, sometimes true or never true:

- Adding 7 to a number ending in 4 gives an answer ending in 1. True, for example 14 + 7 = 21, 24 + 7 = 31.

Subtracting 6 from a number gives an answer ending in 2.
Sometimes – only if the first number ends in 8, e.g. 18 - 6 = 12, 28 - 6 = 22.

How well do children use examples to justify their answers?

You have the number cards 12, 5, 8 and 7.

Decide on an efficient order and strategies to add them.

Why did you choose this order/ strategy?

Various possibilities:

8 + 7 as a 'near double' and then pair 15 with 5, finally 20 + 7 is a simple 'place value addition'.

12 and 8 are complements of 20.

5 + 7 = 12, then double 12....

Recognising and using some of these facts is nearly always more efficient than adding the numbers in the order presented.