

Addition & Subtraction

Word Problems



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Real-World Word Problems

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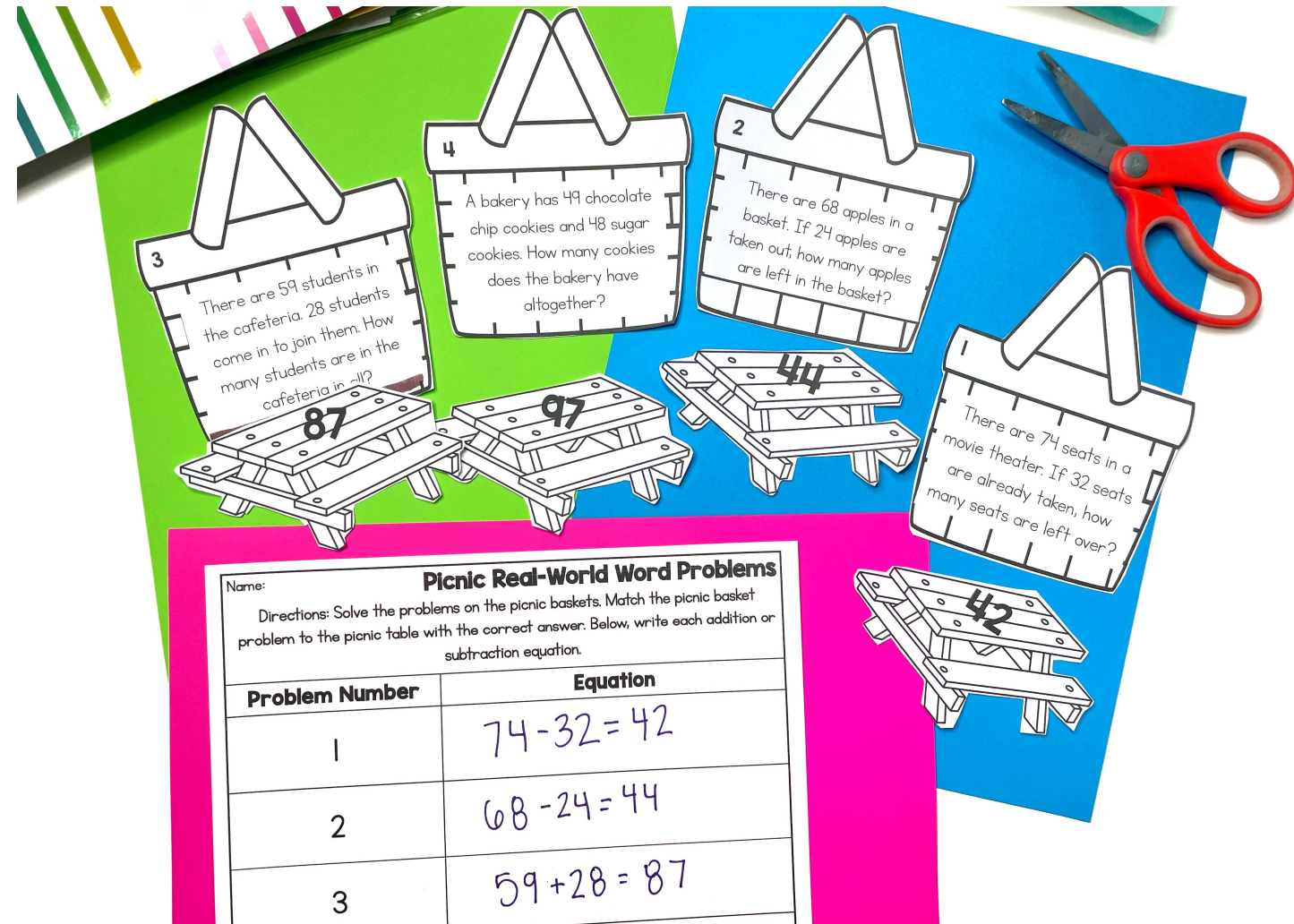
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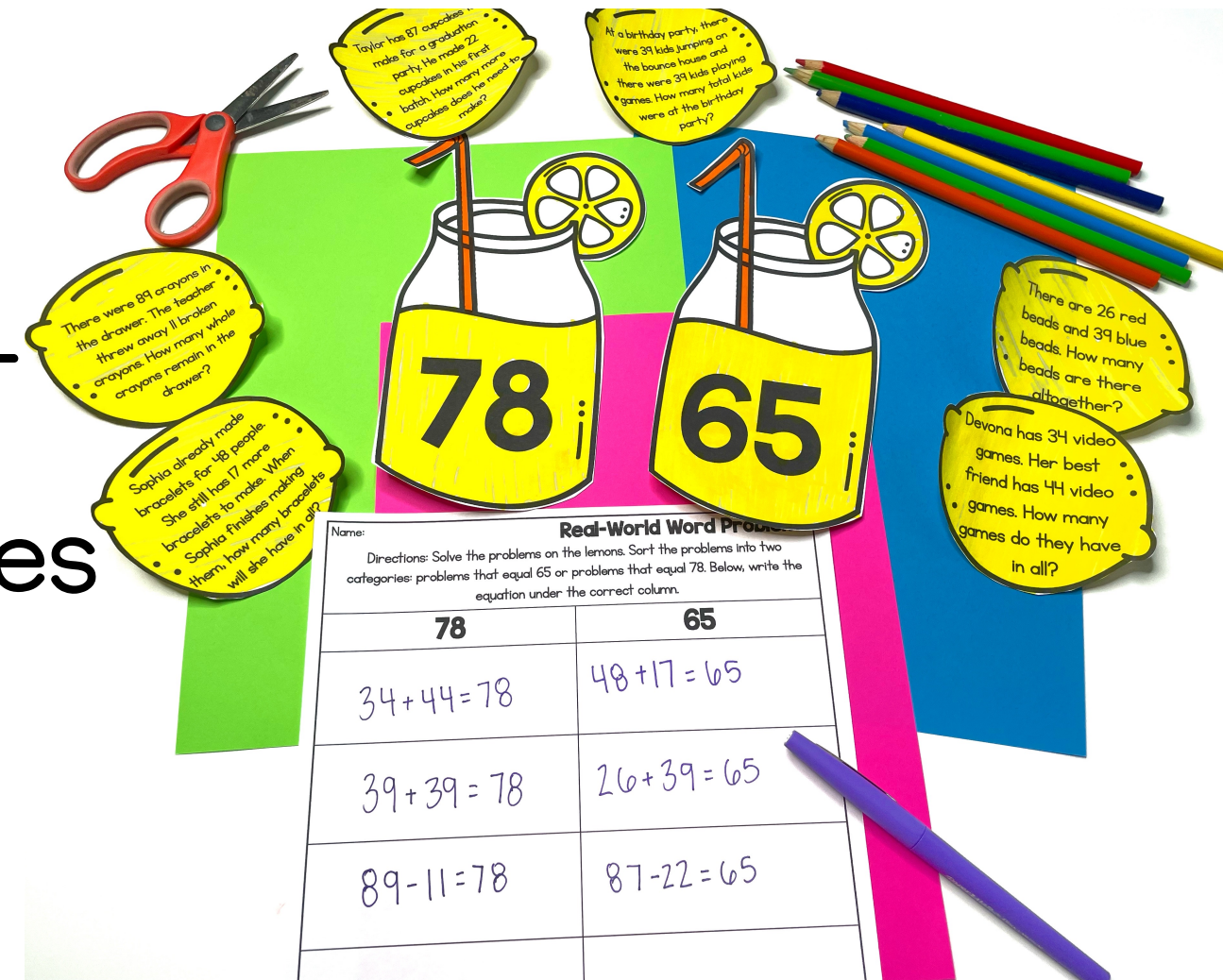
What's included?

- ✓ Booklet for whole group or small group instruction
- ✓ 4 low-prep, hands-on activities for stations or independent work
- ✓ Teacher Directions
- ✓ Answer Keys



5 Attention Grabbing Activities

- ✓ Real-World Problem-Solving Booklet
- ✓ Addition and Subtraction Sort
- ✓ Word Problems: Lemon Themes
- ✓ Word Problems: Hamburger Theme
- ✓ Word Problems: Picnic Theme



Real-World Addition and Subtraction Problems

By:

Word Problem	Answer
Claudia and her friends were collecting seashells at the beach. They picked up 83 seashells. 19 of the shells were whole, but the rest were broken. How many seashells were broken?	64
Michelle has 45 math problems and 26 reading problems to finish for homework. How many problems in all does she have to do for homework?	71
Nicholas cleaned out his toy chest. He started with 84 toys. He gave away 38 toys to his little brother. How many toys does Nicholas have left?	46
Brandon decided to help his grandmother in her garden. He picked 41 green beans and 37 carrots. How many vegetables did he pick altogether?	78

Problem Solving Booklet

How to Solve Word Problems

C - Circle the numbers
U - Underline the question
B - Box Key Words
E - Eliminate what you don't need
S - Does the answer make sense?

Addition Key Words

add sum altogether
in all

Subtraction Key Words

subtract minus difference

There are 26 blue candles, 35 purple candles, and 17 green candles. How many blue and green candles are there?

$$\begin{array}{r} 26 \\ + 17 \\ \hline 43 \end{array}$$

A garden has 64 sunflowers and 29 lilies. How many more sunflowers than lilies are there in the garden?

$$\begin{array}{r} 64 \\ - 29 \\ \hline 35 \end{array}$$

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Taylor has 87 cupcakes make for a graduation party. He made 22 cupcakes in his first batch. How many more cupcakes does he need to make?

At a birthday party, there were 39 kids jumping on the bounce house and there were 39 kids playing games. How many total kids were at the birthday party?

There are 26 red beads and 39 blue beads. How many beads are there altogether?

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Sophia already made bracelets for 48 people. She still has 17 more bracelets to make. When Sophia finishes making them, how many bracelets will she have in all?

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Addition

John has 47 books. He buys 29 more books. How many books does John have in all?

There are 49 animals in the local zoo. The zookeepers brought in 23 more animals. How many total animals are in the zoo?

Miranda has 43 colored pencils. She also has 39 crayons. How

There are 62 cars in the parking lot at the mall. If 28 more cars come and park, how many cars are in all in the parking lot now?

Sarah has 68 stickers. Her friend, Melanie, gives her 18 more stickers. How many stickers are in Sarah's collection now?

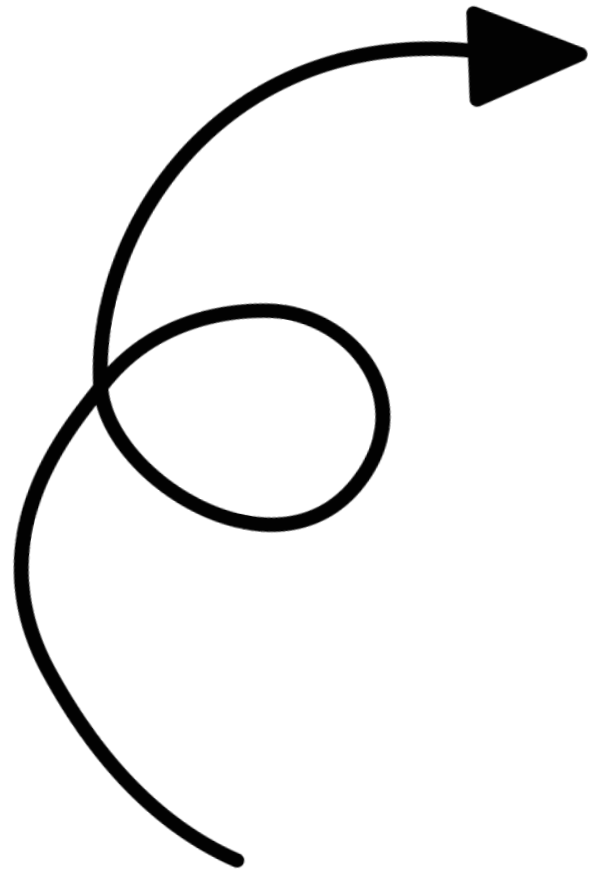
Addition & Subtraction Sort

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Directions: Solve the problems on the cards. Sort the problems into two categories: addition and subtraction. Below, write each equation under the correct column.

Addition Equations	Subtraction Equations
$43 + 39 = 82$	$83 - 29 = 54$
$68 + 18 = 84$	$68 - 47 = 21$
$49 + 23 = 72$	$89 - 33 = 56$

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Emily found 39 seashells at the beach. Her sister found 43 seashells. How many seashells do the sisters have in all?

Selina had 95 balloons for her birthday party. During the party, 41 balloons popped. How many balloons were left over?

In a basketball game, the home team scored 89 points, while the visiting team scored 73 points. How many more points did the home team score?

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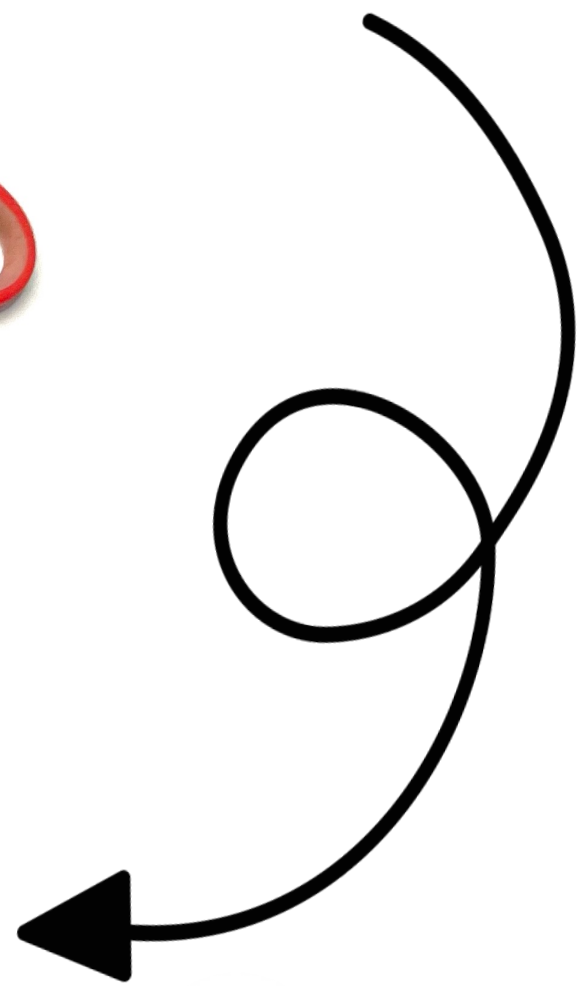
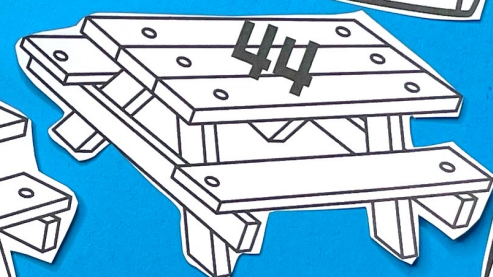
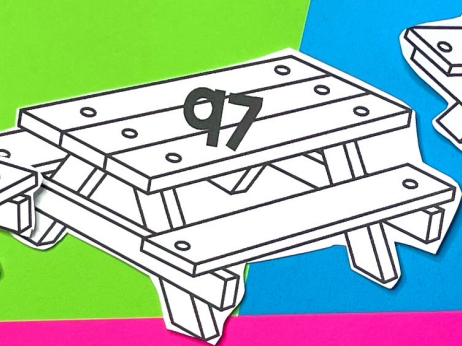
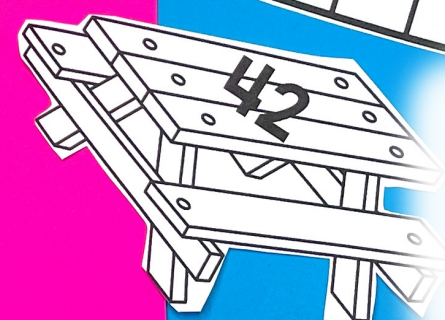
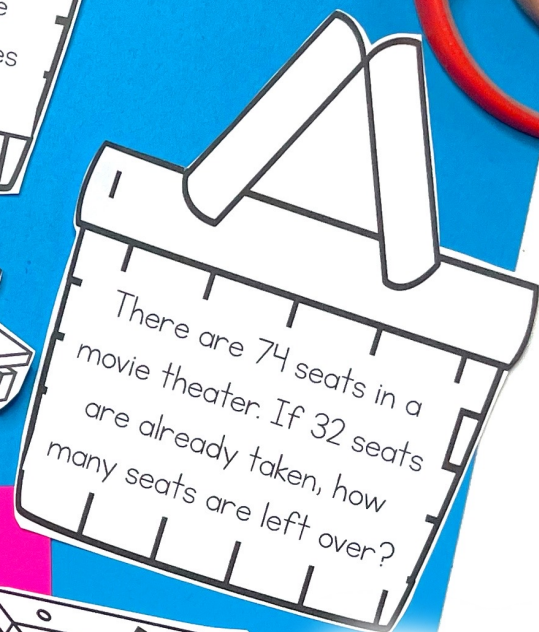
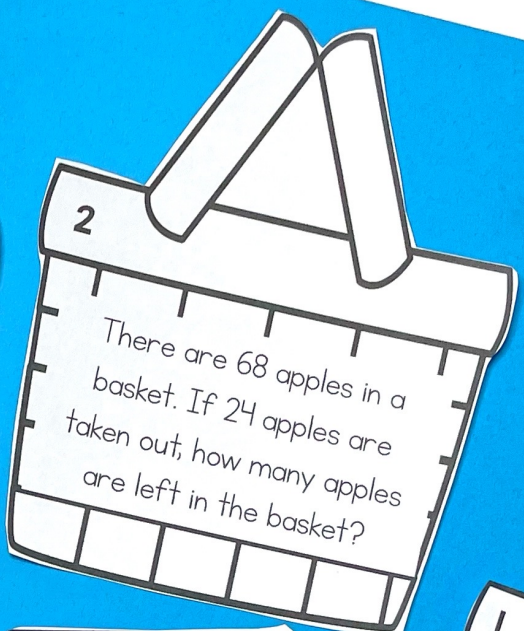
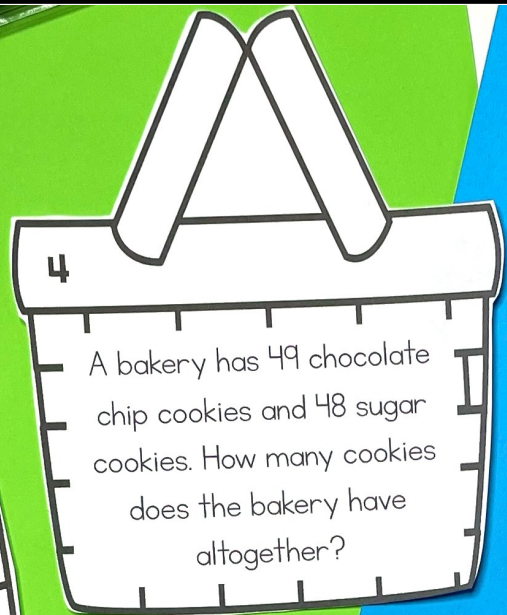
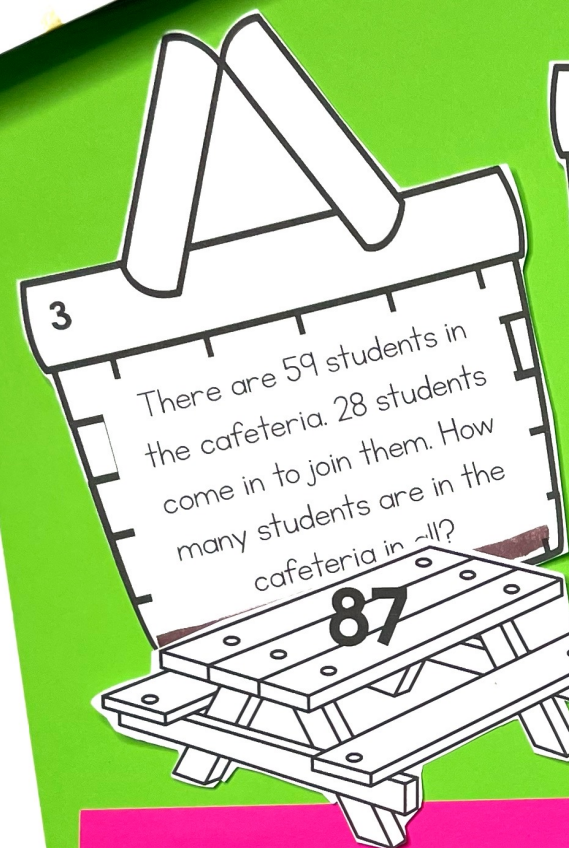
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- ✓ Activities
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- ✓ Assessments or Quick Checks
- ✓ Reteaching Skills
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Build a Sandcastle
 Directions: Look at the number at the top of the sandcastle. Inside each level of the sandcastle, write the number that is ten less, ten more, one hundred less, and one hundred more.

Hundred More and Hundred Less
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Add Two-Digit Whole Numbers
 Directions: Roll a die two times to create a 2-digit number. Write that number in the first box. Add the two numbers to find the sum and write the answer in the third box.

Roll a Number: Add up to 100
 Directions: Roll a die three times to create a 3-digit number. Write that number in the original number box. Then write the number that is ten more and ten less.

Draw a Number: Add Up to 100
 Directions: Draw two numbers from the flashlights and camping tents. Write the first number in the first box and the second number in the second box. Add the two numbers together and write the sum in the last box.

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