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What is Addition

Addition: The Fun of Combining Numbers!

DEFINITION

> Addition is the process of finding the total by combining two or more numbers. It helps us understand how much we have when we put things together.

KEY CONCEPTS

Sum

The result of adding two or more numbers together is called the sum.

Addends

The numbers that you add together are called addends.

Commutative Property

This property states that changing the order of addends does not change the sum.

Associative Property

This property shows that how you group addends does not affect the sum.

Zero Property

Adding zero to any number does not change the value of that number.

EXAMPLES

→ 2 + 3 = 5

→ 4 + 6 = 10

→ 1 + 1 + 1 = 3

MEMORY TIPS

★ Think of addition as putting together pieces of a puzzle.

★ Use your fingers to count when adding small numbers.

★ Remember: 'All together now!' when combining numbers.

COMMON MISTAKES

✗ Forgetting to carry over when adding larger numbers.

✗ Mixing up the order of addends and thinking it changes the sum.

✗ Not lining up numbers correctly in column addition.

QUICK RECAP

Addition is all about combining numbers to find a total. Remember the properties and practice with examples to master it. Don't forget to check your work for common mistakes!