

# NUMERACY RICH ACTIVITIES PRIMARY

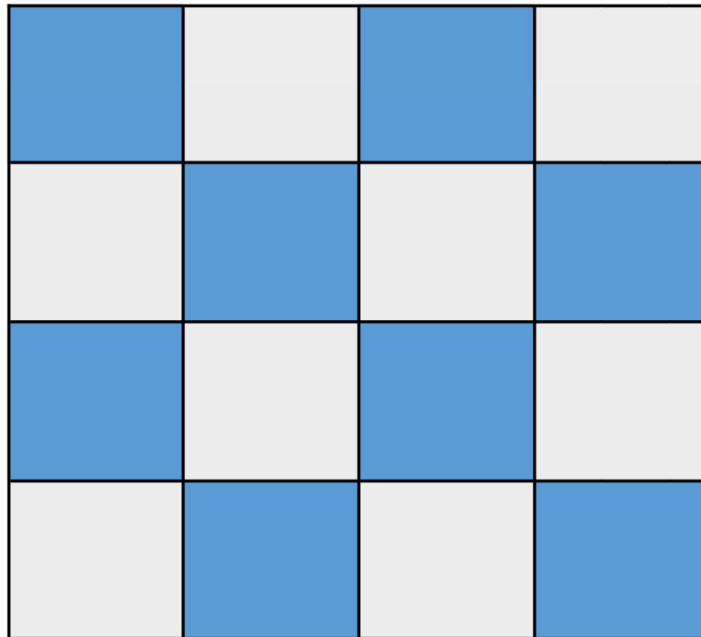


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## Checkerboard N1, N9, N10, PR3, SS8

### Problem:

How many squares are there on a 4 x 4 checkerboard?



If this is too difficult for your students, try starting with a 2 X 2 checkerboard, then a 3 X 3 checkerboard.

Credit: Adapted from a problem by Rita Zazkis

### Extension:

How many squares are there on a 5 x 5 checkerboard? A 6 x 6?

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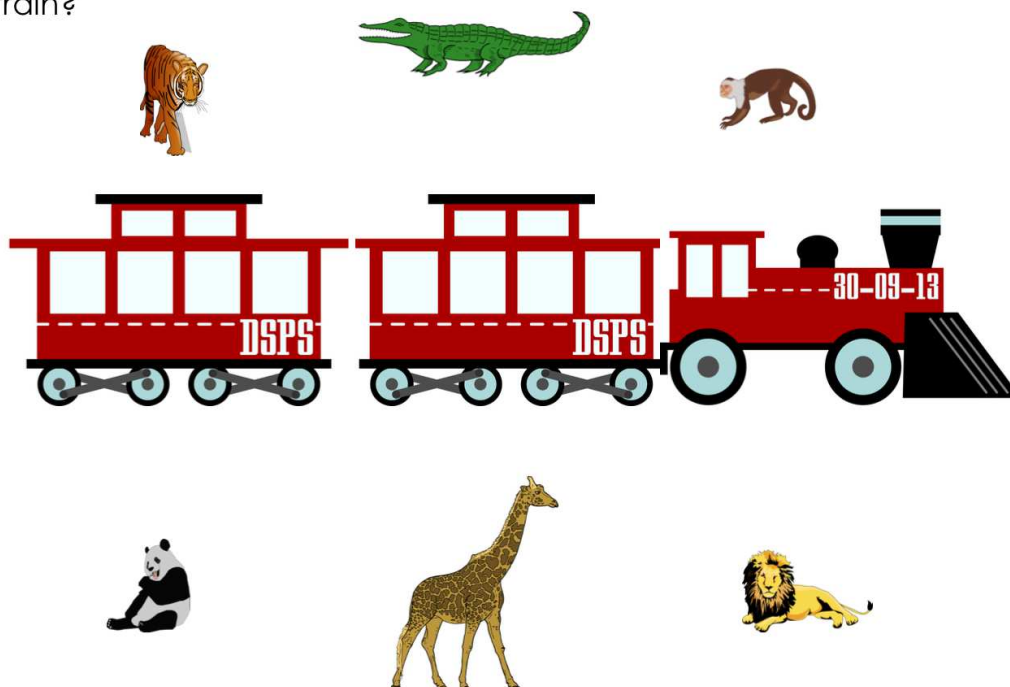
## #3: Zoo Train

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### Problem:

The zoo has a train that carries people between exhibits. One morning the first passengers got on at Monkey House. At Alligator Pond the number of people who got on was 3 more than got on at Monkey House.

The train made 4 more stops: Tiger Thicket, Panda Playground, Giraffe Savannah, and Big Cats. At each of these stops, 3 more passengers boarded the train than at the previous stop. At Big Cats, 20 people got on the train. How many passengers in all boarded the train?



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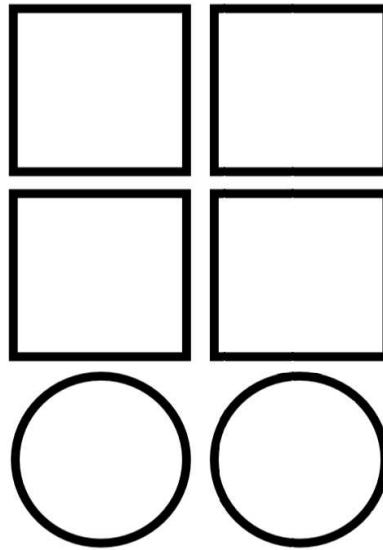
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# #1: Coloured Shapes

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**Problem:**

What colour is each shape?  
Write it on the shape.

**Clues:**

- Red is not next to grey.
- Blue is between white and grey.
- Green is not a square.
- Blue is on the right of pink.

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## #5: At the Fair

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### Problem:

Emilia and Kaley are at the fair. They have ten more minutes before they have to leave. They have three tickets each to ride three rides each. What three rides could they take before they have to leave?

Rollercoaster - 6 minutes  
Bumper Cars - 5 minutes  
Tea Cups - 4 minutes

Ferris Wheel - 2 minutes  
Swings - 1 minute  
Merry-Go-Round - 3 minutes



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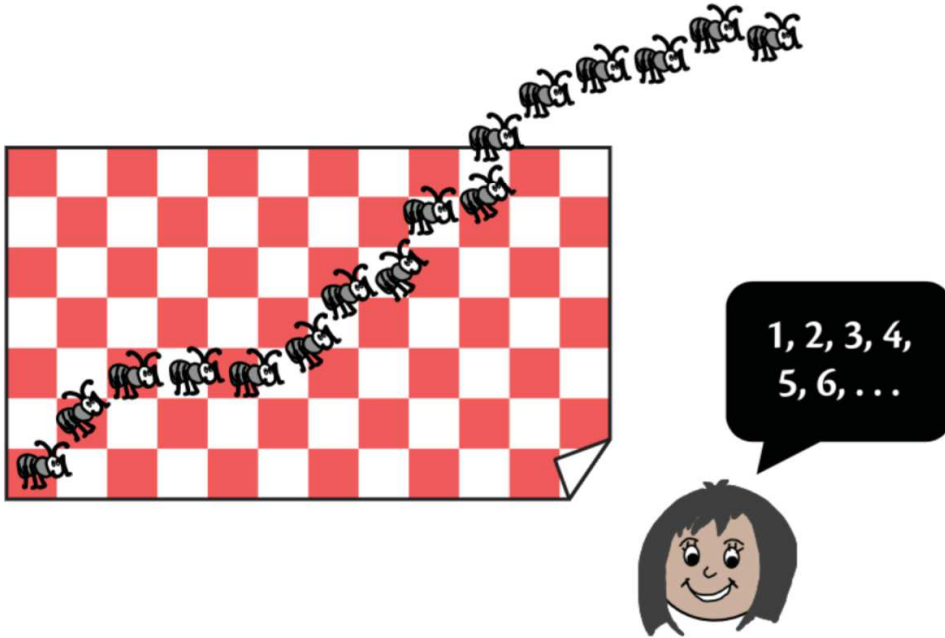
How many other ways could they use their 10 minutes and 3 remaining tickets?

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Which ants did Meghan already count?  
How high will she go to count  
all of the ants?



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## #6: Sticker Rewards

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**Problem:**

Dylan has earned 10 stickers for reading books. He can trade the stickers for items in the class store.

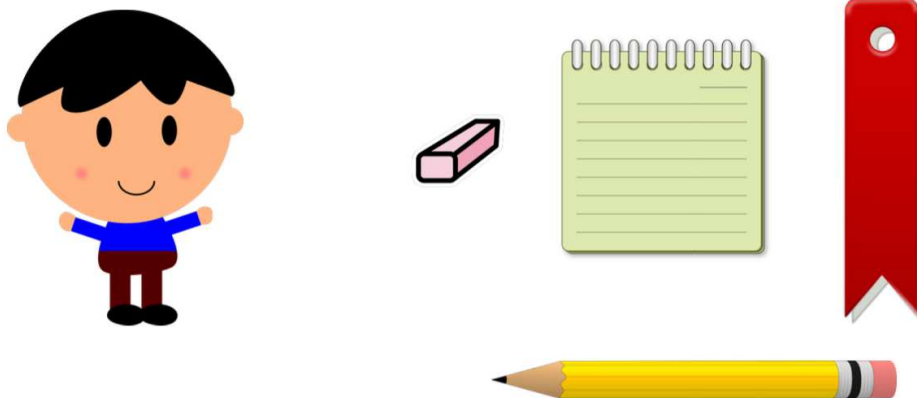
1 sticker - bookmark

2 stickers - eraser

3 stickers - pencil

4 stickers - notepad

What can Dylan get with his 10 stickers?



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**Extension:**

What could Dylan get if he had 15 stickers?

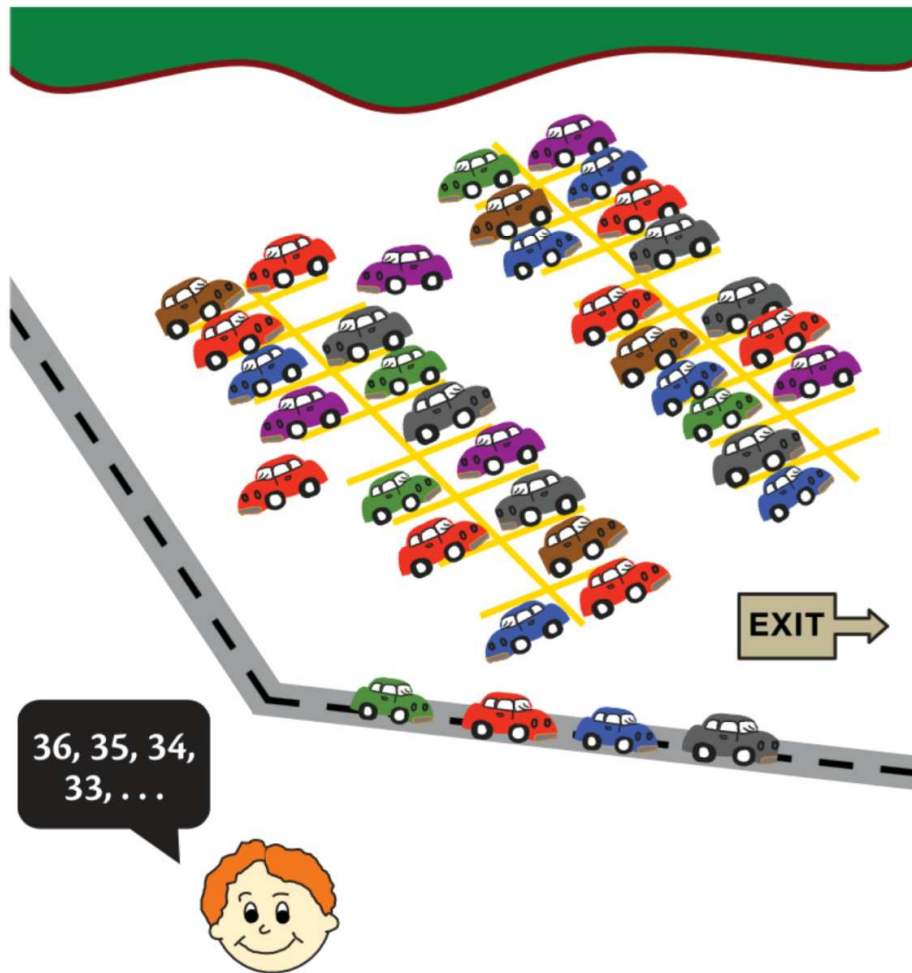
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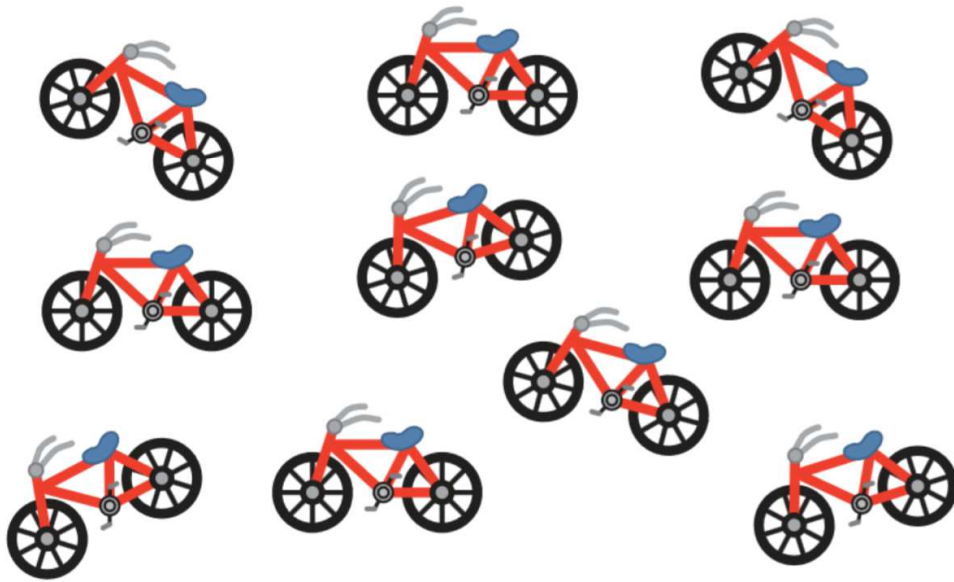


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## What is the best way to count the bicycle wheels?

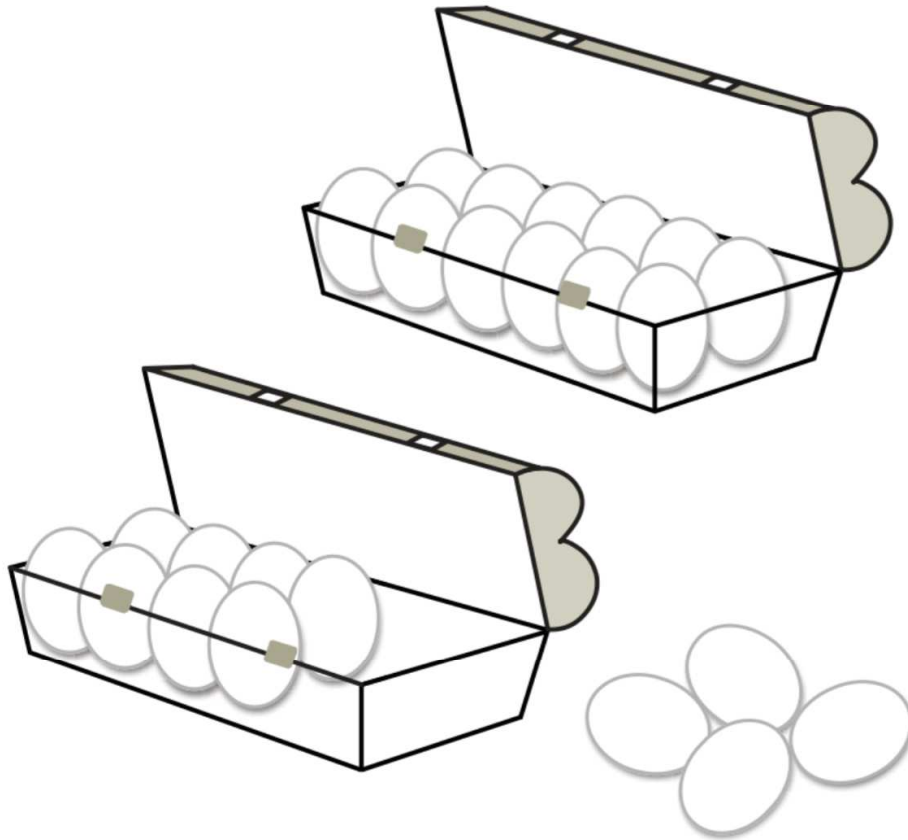


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**Mom is counting how many eggs are left  
each time she takes some out.  
What numbers will she say if she  
takes out 2 eggs at a time?**

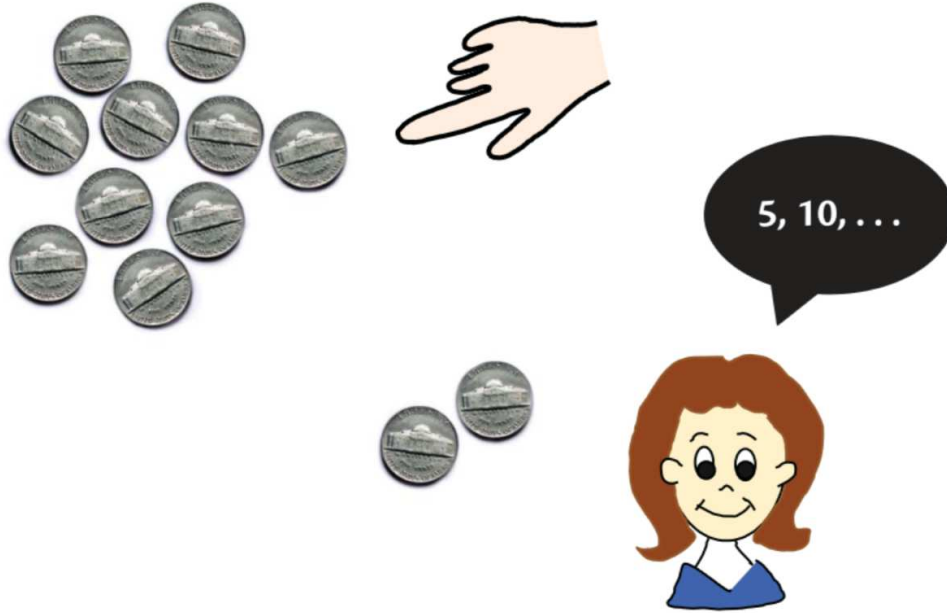


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# Count to know how much money Keesha has.

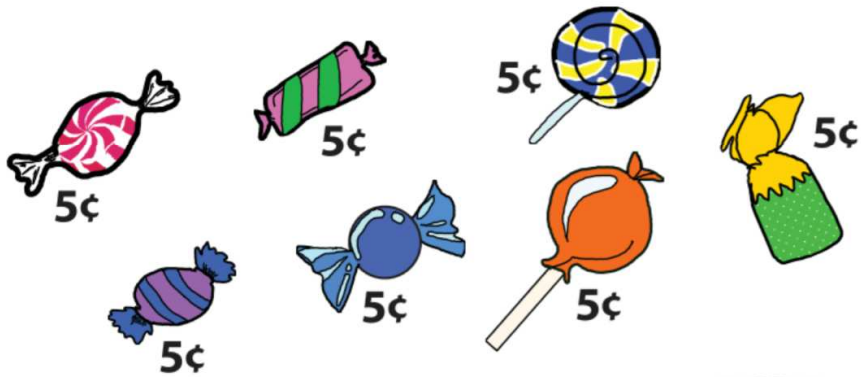


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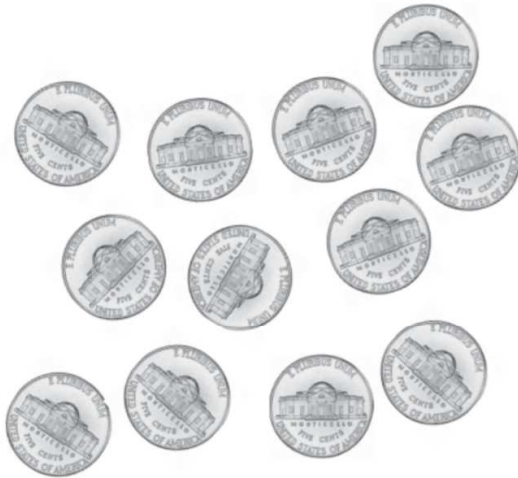
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Andrew is buying candies.  
How much money will he have left  
after he buys each candy?



I have 60¢



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Count the number of fingers,  
one set of handprints at a time.

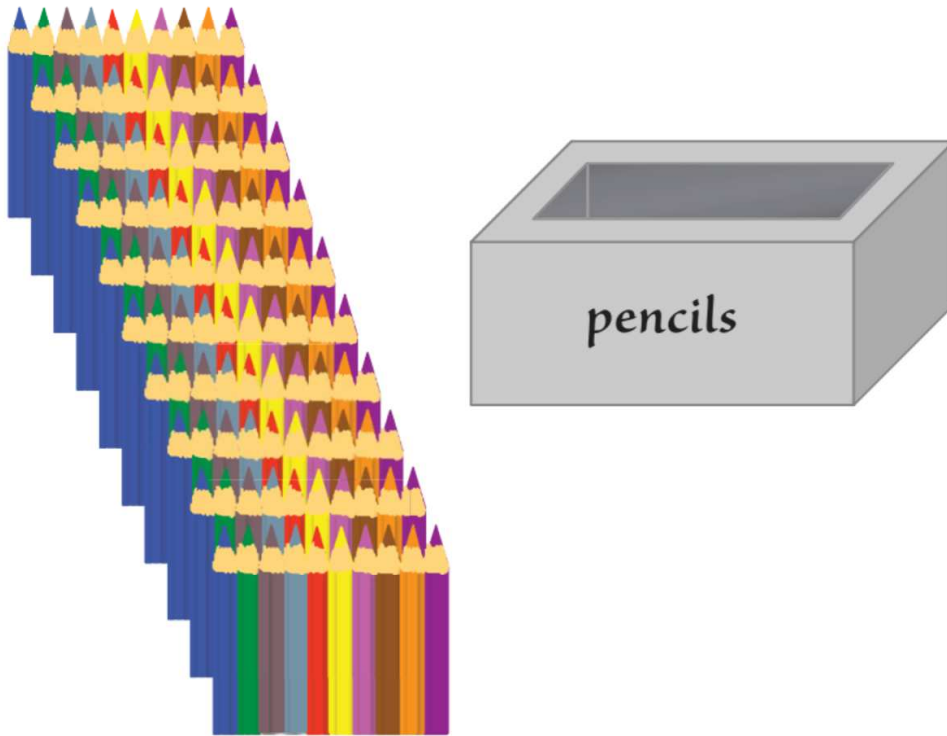


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**There are 100 pencils. You put the pencils from one row at a time into the box. Count to tell how many pencils are left outside of the box each time that one row of pencils is removed.**



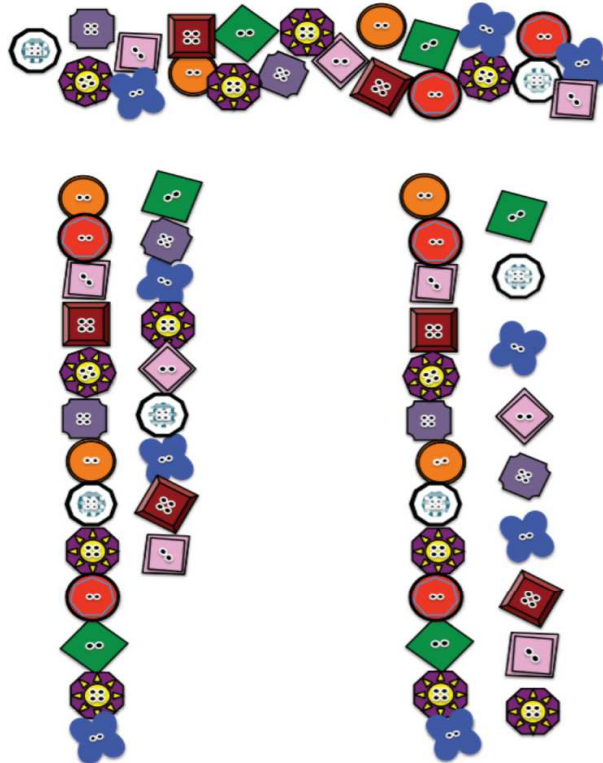
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The buttons at the top are arranged into two lines in two different ways. Which way makes it easier to tell which line has more buttons?



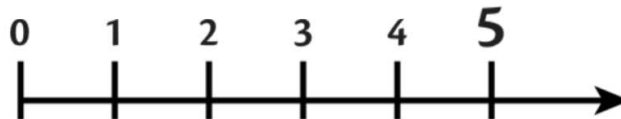
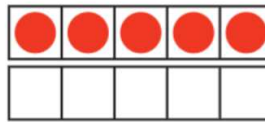
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What does each picture tell you about 5?



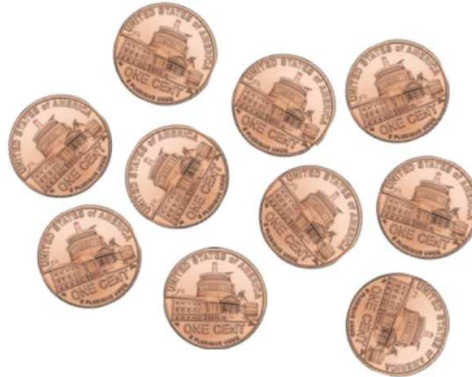
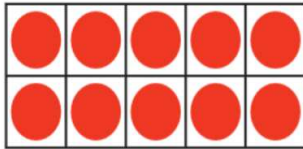
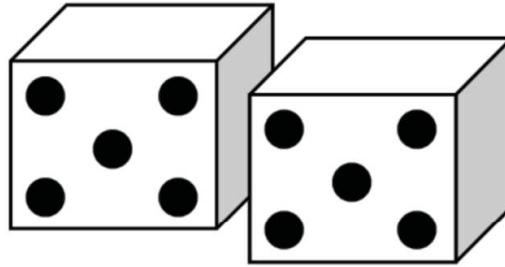
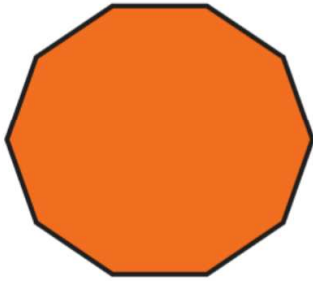
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What do all of the pictures  
have in common?



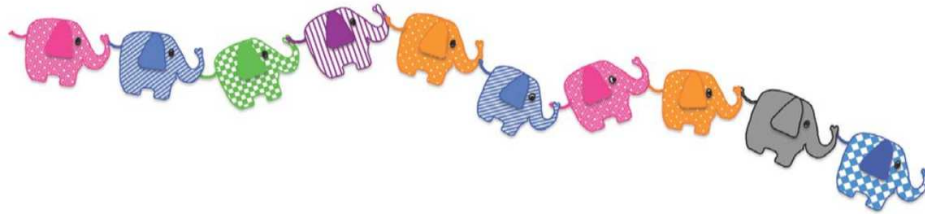
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Which elephant is fourth?

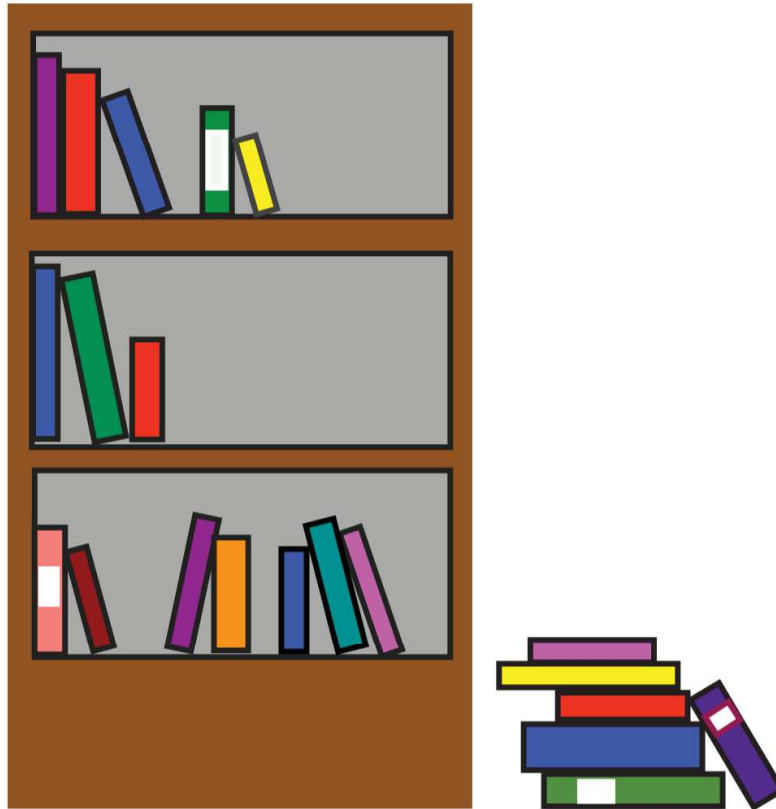


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**What different addition sentences  
might tell how many books will be  
on each shelf after putting away  
the books on the floor?**



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What does each picture show about addition?

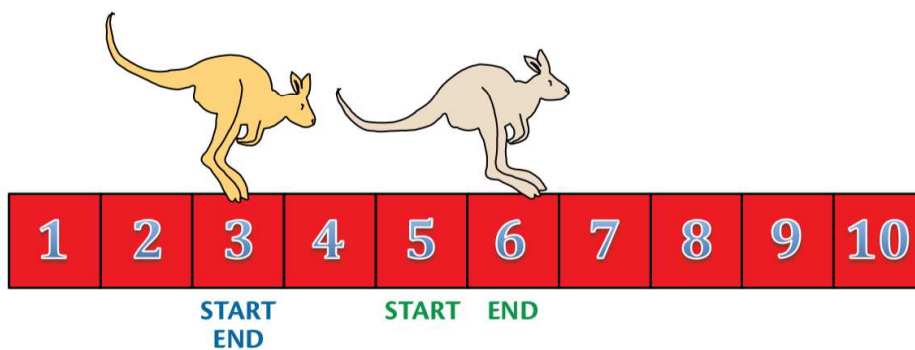


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**ADDITION TO DESCRIBE PART-PART-WHOLE SITUATIONS • Grades K–2 • CCSS 1.OA**

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The kangaroos started at 3 and 5.  
The picture shows where they landed  
after one jump.  
What number sentences tell about  
each kangaroo's jump?

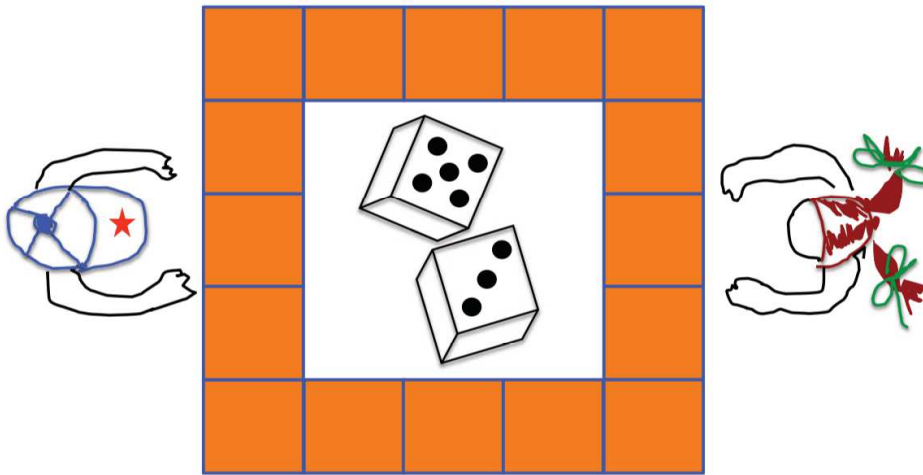


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Why might Amy and Aaron write different number sentences to tell what the dice roll is?



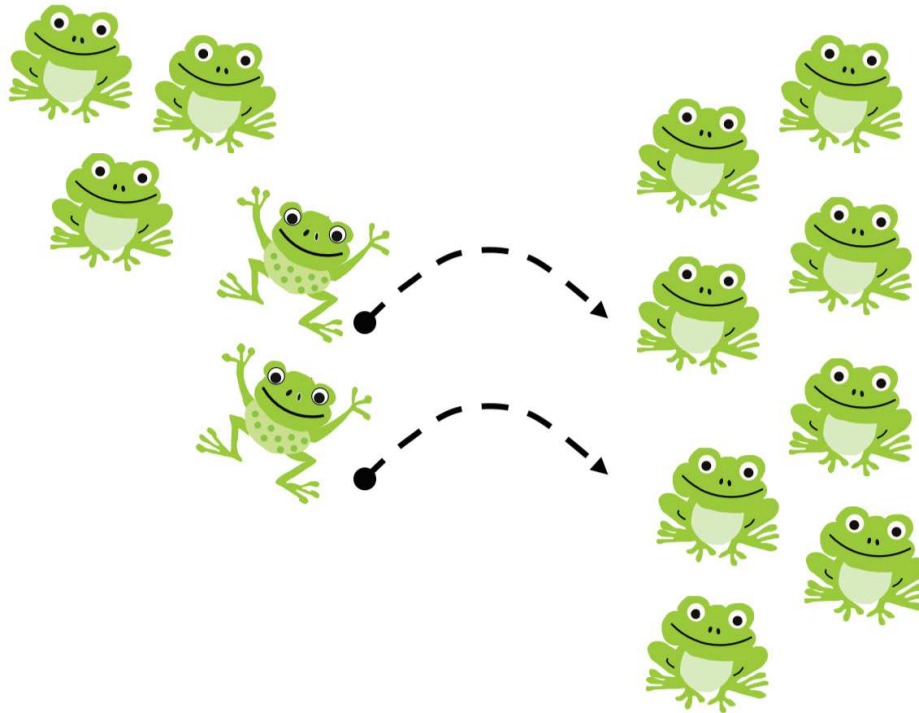
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How are the number sentences  
you write to tell about all of the frogs  
the same and different after  
the two frogs move over?

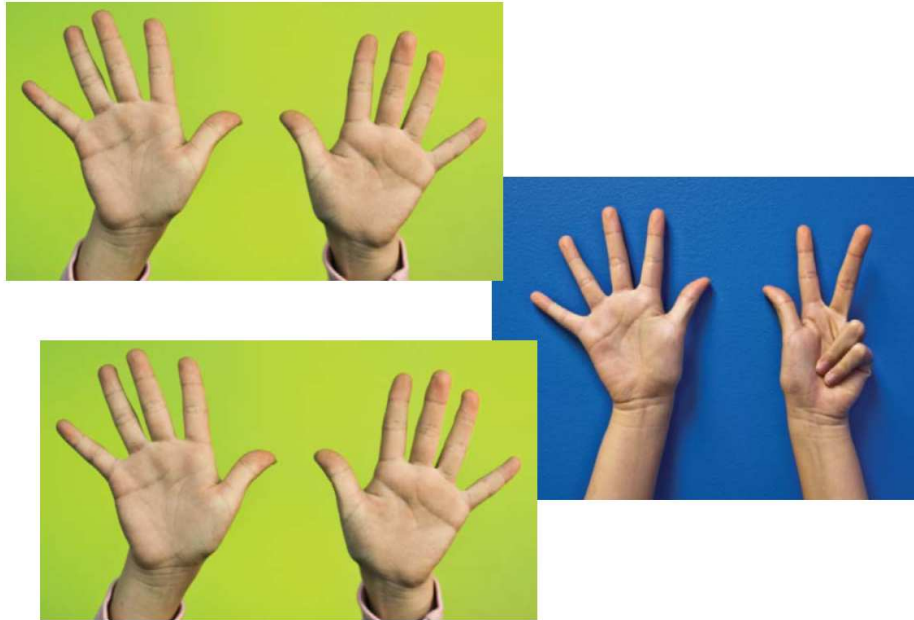


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**When you include or take away  
an extra 10 fingers,  
what about the total number of fingers  
does not change? Why?**



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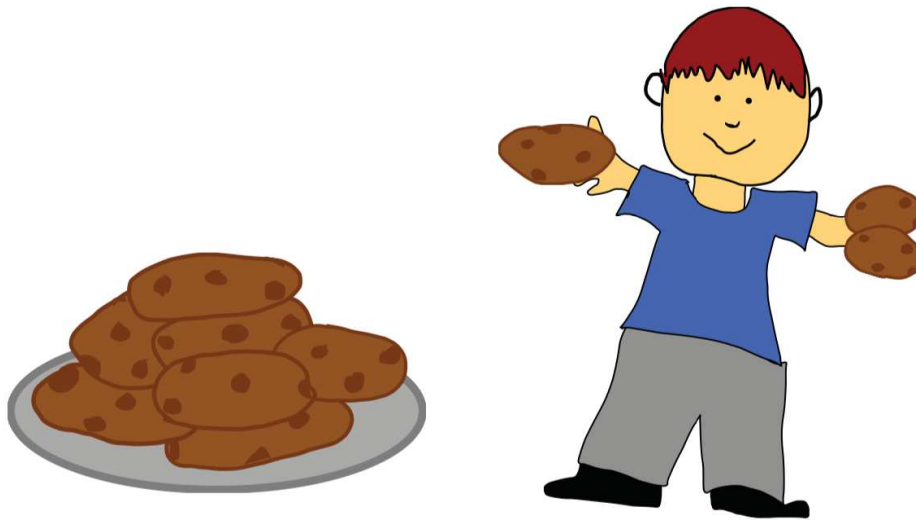
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Decide how many cookies are probably on the plate.  
What number sentence would you use to describe what happened?  
Caelan took his cookies?

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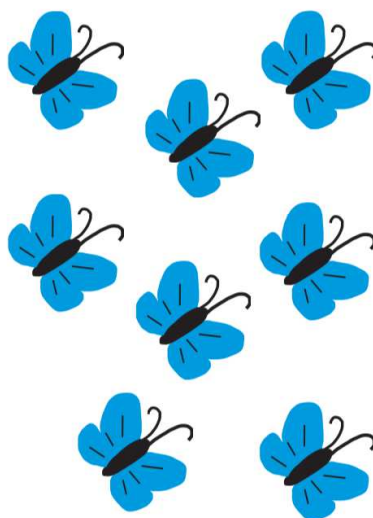
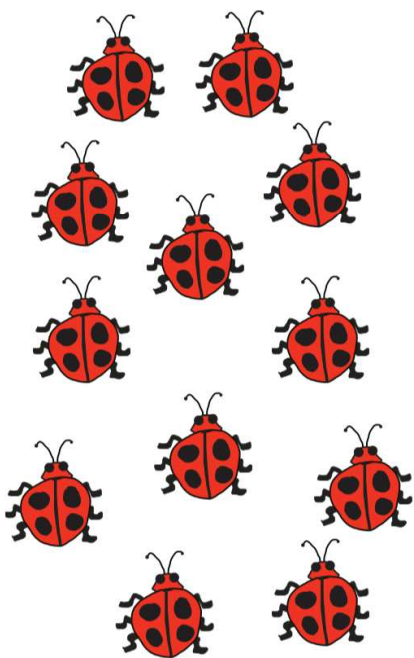


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What does  $12 - 8$  tell you  
about the insects?

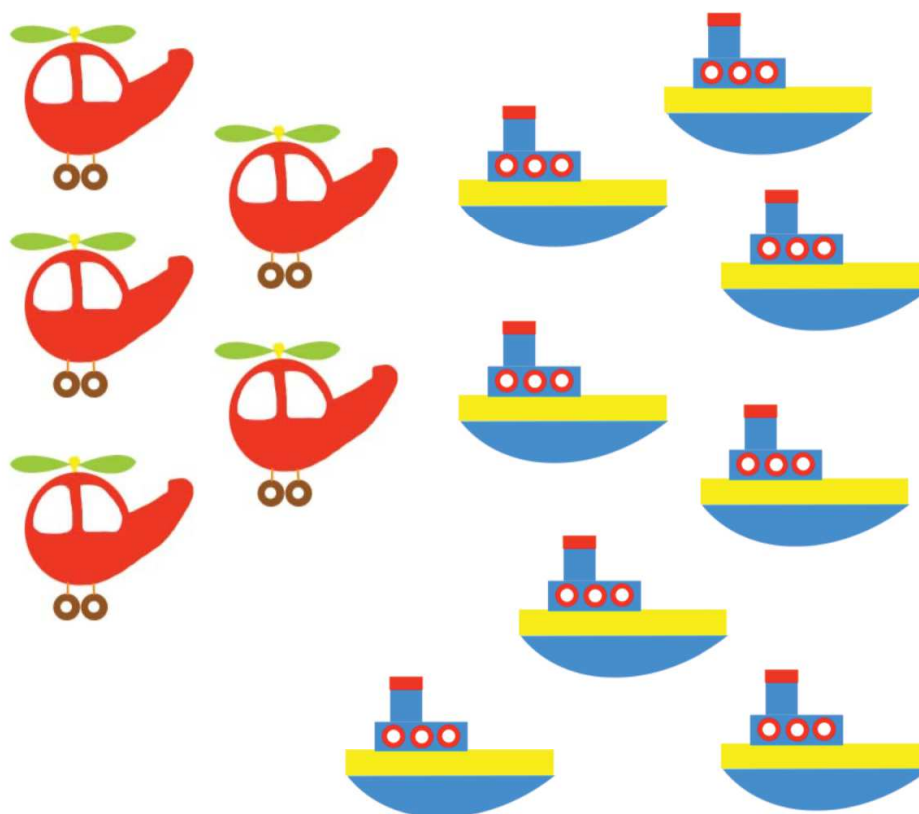


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Does this picture show  
addition or subtraction or both?

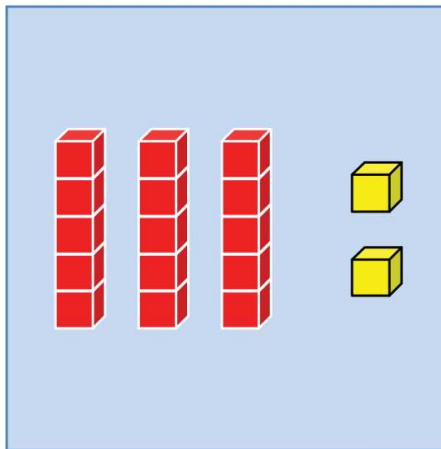
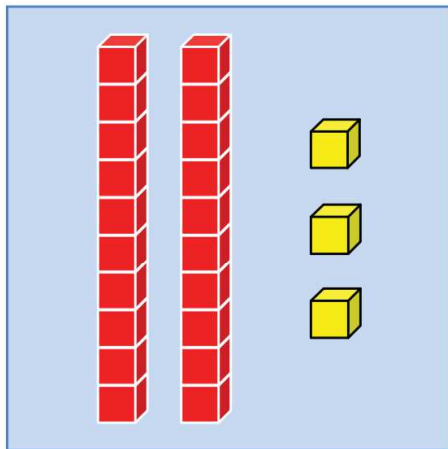
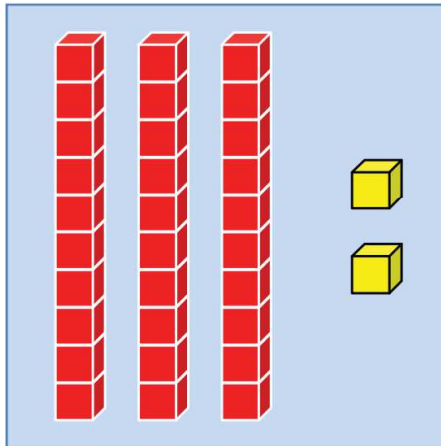
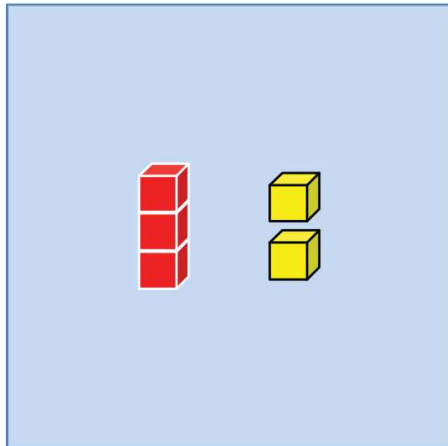


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Which section has 32 cubes?  
How do you know?

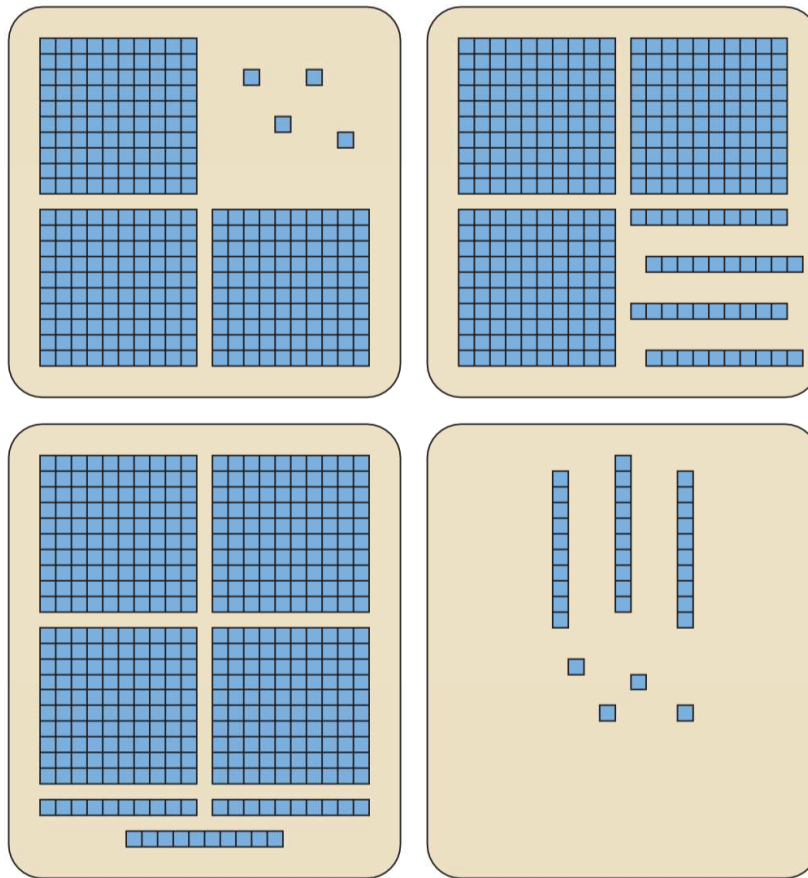


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When you write the numbers for each section, how are the numbers alike and how are they different?



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