Adding: putting groups together

Some are here and some more come. How many are there in all?

WORDS TO KNOW

Add: put groups together. Count them all. **Plus, $+$:** you can say "and."

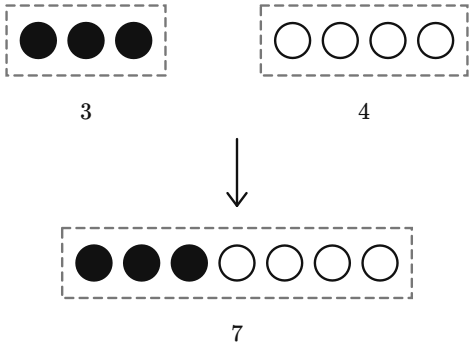
Equals, $=$: is the same amount as.

KEY IDEAS

1. Put them together, then count them all

Push the groups into one pile. Count from one.

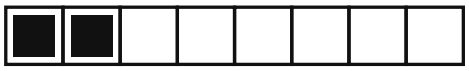
> Touch each thing once and say one number. The last number is how many in all.



2. The order does not change how many

> Turn a cube train around. It is still the same cubes, so the same number.

$2 + 6$



$6 + 2$



WATCH OUT

- **Counting a thing twice.** Touch each thing once as you count it.
- **Naming the total by one group.** 1 dog and 2 cats make 3 animals, not 3 dogs.

WORKED EXAMPLES

Example 1. 2 dogs play. 2 more run over. How many now?

1. Put out 2 counters. Put out 2 more. Push them together.
2. Count them all: one, two, three, four.

Answer: 4 dogs. 2 + 2 = 4.

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