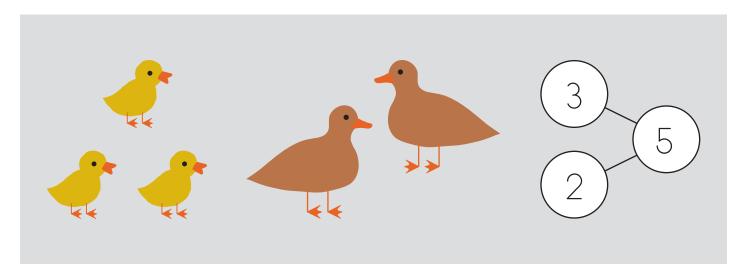
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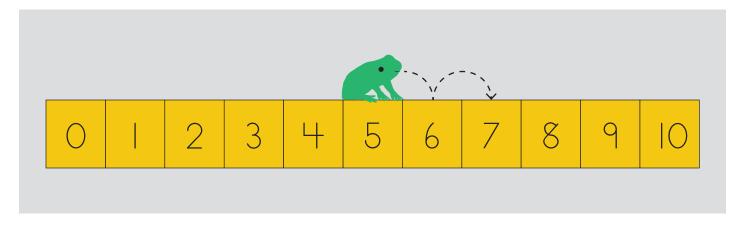
## **Home Connection**

In Chapter 8, your child used a number bond to represent a number and the parts that make it. In this chapter, your child will build on this foundation to make the connection between putting the parts together to make a whole and addition. The symbols + and = will be introduced and used to make equations.



The equation 3 + 2 = 5 will be referred to as a addition equation, as well as an addition sentence in class. The equals sign is taught to mean that what is represented on either side has the same value. So, 3 + 2 = 5 is also seen as 5 = 3 + 2 which can be extended to 3 + 2 = 4 + 1.

Your child will be taught the addition strategy of counting on using a number path. This strategy is most effective when adding 1, 2, or 3 to a number.





## Math at Home

- Continue practicing for automaticity with number bonds to 10 and if your child is ready, you can extend that by practicing with addition sentences to 10.
- Play Match or Memory at home. Using index cards, create a set of addition fact cards adding 1, 2, or 3. Then, make a matching set of cards with the sums only. For example, you might make cards that read, 1 + 1, 1 + 2, 1 + 3 and 2, 3, 4. Arrange the cards faceup to play Match where players take turns finding a fact that matches a sum. Arrange the cards facedown to play a game of Memory.
- When looking at picture books or magazines, ask your child to tell you addition stories about what they see.