



Dear First Grade Families,

In Unit 6, students will work on the following first grade Common Core standard in the Operations and Algebraic Thinking (OA) domain.

1.OA.1	Use addition and subtraction within 20 to solve word problems involving situations of adding to, taking from, putting together, taking apart, and comparing, with unknowns in all positions, e.g., by using objects, drawings, and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem.
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Unit 6 Concepts:

- Solve subtraction word problems with unknowns in all positions
- Use strategies, objects, drawings, and equations with a symbol to show your work

Unit 6 Vocabulary:

- subtract
- minuend
- subtrahend
- difference
- equation
- unknown
- position
- compare
- How many more?
- How many fewer?

Ask questions like these to help your child become a productive mathematical thinker:

- You just ate 6 grapes. There are 9 left in the bowl. How many did I give you for a snack? (start unknown)
- I bought 15 bananas. Now there are only 8. How many were eaten? (change unknown)
- There were 12 orange slices. Your brother ate 7. How many did he leave for you? (difference unknown)
- Write an equation that shows how many tangerines are left if there were 19 in the bag and you ate two.
- Compare the number of pancakes on your plate to the number of pancakes on my plate. How many more do I have?
- Compare the number of pennies to the number of nickels. How many fewer nickels are there?
- What strategies (from Unit 9) are you using to help solve these problems?

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If you don't know the class's special name, ask your child's teacher.

We encourage you to talk with your child daily about what was learned in math class.

Thank you for your support!