

Grade 4 Glossary · Unit 1

Term	Definition	Example
addends	numbers added together to form a sum	4 + 8 = 12 4 and 8 are addends
compare	to closely look at two or more objects to see what is similar or different	
decrease	make smaller	
difference	the amount by which one quantity is greater or less than another; the answer to a subtraction problem	34 - 12 = 22 22 is the difference
digit	any single number from 0 or 9	231 is a 3-digit number
equal to	has the same value as the compared group/number; =	245 = 245
expanded form	representation of a number expanded by the value of each digit	917,245 = 900,000 + 10,000 + 7000 + 200 + 40 + 5
feature	a special characteristic or quality	
greater than	has more value than; a larger quantity or value than the compared group/number; >	245 > 212
growing pattern	a pattern that increases with each term	• •• •••
increase	make larger	

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less than	has less value than; a smaller quantity or value than the compared group/number; <	212 < 245
minuend	the quantity from which another quantity (the subtrahend) is subtracted	34 — 12 = 22 34 is the minuend
pattern	a sequence of numbers that follows a rule	□▲□▲□▲□▲ 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12
place value chart	a chart or table that names the place values	MILLIONS PERIOD PERIOD PERIOD PERIOD PERIOD H T O H T O H T O
repeating pattern	a pattern that repeats itself	
rounding	replace the number being rounded with a number that tells about how many	547 rounds to 550 540 545 547 550 round down round up
rule	a statement that explains the sequence of a pattern	
sequence	a set of numbers or shapes that are in order	

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standard form	representation of a number in the way it is usually written	917,245
subtrahend	a quantity of number to be subtracted from another	34 — 12 = 22 12 is the subtrahend
sum	an amount obtained as a result of adding numbers; the answer to an addition problem	4 + 8 = 12 12 is the sum
term	the ordinal position of an object or number in a pattern	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
whole number	counting number	0, 1, 2, 3

representation of a number in words word form

917,248 = nine hundred seventeen thousand two hundred forty-five