

Adding three

1st Grade

Every fact that adds 3, and the shortcut that makes them automatic.

Adding three: Count on three from the bigger number.

$$n + 3$$

$$2 + 3$$

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Start big, hop small — three hops is still quick to track on fingers.

$$4 + 3$$

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$$6 + 3$$

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$$8 + 3$$

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3 + n gives the same answer as n + 3. Swapping the order never changes a sum.