EXAMPLE

Igor’s basket contains 49 tennis balls. Marjorie’s basket contains 45 tennis balls. How many tennis balls are in both baskets?

Moving tennis balls from one basket to the other does not change the total number of balls.

To make the addition easier, we take one ball from Marjorie’s basket and put it in Igor’s. So, instead of adding 49 + 45, we add 50 + 44.

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44
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So, 49 + 45 = 50 + 44 = 94.

PRACTICE

Fill the blanks to find each sum below.

47. \(39 + 26 = \underline{40} + \underline{\phantom{0}} = \underline{\phantom{00}}\)

48. \(290 + 86 = \underline{300} + \underline{\phantom{0}} = \underline{\phantom{00}}\)

49. \(52 + 128 = \underline{\phantom{00}} + \underline{130} = \underline{\phantom{00}}\)

50. \(78 + 96 = \underline{\phantom{00}} + \underline{100} = \underline{\phantom{00}}\)

51. \(393 + 128 = \underline{\phantom{00}} + \underline{\phantom{00}} = \underline{\phantom{00}}\)

52. \(595 + 237 = \underline{\phantom{00}} + \underline{\phantom{00}} = \underline{\phantom{00}}\)
PRACTICE

Answer each question below.

53. Marie has two pitchers, with 96 ounces of water in each pitcher. She pours 4 ounces from one pitcher into the other. How many total ounces of water are in the two pitchers?

54. A parking garage has a lower lot and an upper lot. There are 277 cars in the lower lot, and 203 cars in the upper lot. After three cars drive from the upper lot to the lower lot, how many cars are there in the whole garage?

55. A bookcase has two shelves. There are 93 books on the top shelf and 78 books on the bottom shelf. How many books could you move from the bottom shelf to the top shelf to make it easier to find the total number of books?

56. Sander has 98 peas on his plate. Ada and Parker each have 101 peas on their plates. What is the total number of peas on all three plates?
**EXAMPLE**  
Add $157 + 98$.

Adding 98 to a number is the same as adding 100, then taking away 2.

$$157 + 98 = 157 + 100 - 2.$$  
We have $157 + 100 = 257$, and

$$257 - 2 = 255.$$  
So, $157 + 98 = 255$.

**PRACTICE**  
Fill the blanks to answer each question below.

57. Adding 38 to a number is the same as adding 40, then taking away ______.

58. Adding 19 to a number is the same as adding ______, then taking away 1.

59. Adding ______ to a number is the same as adding 100, then taking away 7.

60. $133 + 28 = \boxed{133} + \boxed{30} - \square = \square$

61. $216 + 91 = \boxed{216} + \square - 9 = \square$

62. $256 + 95 = \boxed{256} + \square - \square = \square$
EXAMPLE

Add $19+19+19+19$.

Since 19 is 1 less than 20, the sum of four 19’s is 4 less than the sum of four 20’s.

So, $19+19+19+19 = 20+20+20+20 - 4$.

Adding $20+20+20+20$ gives 80.

Then, $80 - 4$ gives 76.

PRACTICE

Fill the blanks to answer each question below.

63. $27+27+27 = \phantom{000} + \phantom{00} + \phantom{00} - \phantom{0} = \phantom{000}$

64. $99+99+99+99+99 = \phantom{000} - \phantom{0} = \phantom{000}$

65. $298+299+300 = \phantom{00} - \phantom{0} = \phantom{00}$

66. $25+24+23+22 = \phantom{000} - \phantom{0} = \phantom{000}$

67. $9+19+29+39 = \phantom{00} - \phantom{0} = \phantom{00}$

68. $190+190+190+190 = \phantom{000} - \phantom{0} = \phantom{000}$