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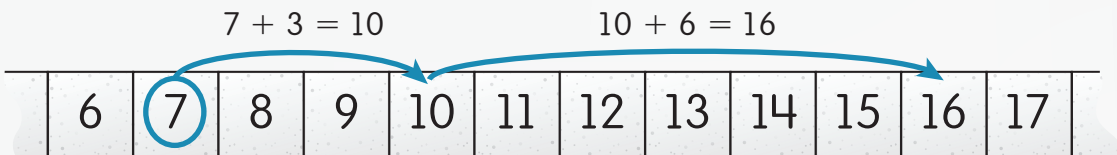
**This week your child is learning to use the make a ten strategy to add three numbers.**



Your child will look for two numbers that make a ten and add those numbers first. Then he or she will add the third number. This will help your child think about number relationships and quickly add three numbers when two of them total 10.

For example: Find  $6 + 7 + 3$ .  Add  $7 + 3$  first to make a ten.

You can also make a ten on a number path. Add the numbers that make a ten first.



Invite your child to share what he or she knows about using the make a ten strategy to add three numbers by doing the following activity together.



## Making a Ten to Add Three Numbers Activity



**Materials:** 30 small objects such as pennies, paper clips, cereal pieces, or pasta shapes

Have your child use small objects to solve the problems below. He or she should make a group of objects to match each number in the problem and then combine two of the groups to make 10. Then your child states the new problem and total shown by the objects.

For example: Find  $8 + 7 + 2$ .

- Your child makes groups of 8 pennies, 7 pennies, and 2 pennies.
- He or she combines the group of 8 pennies and the group of 2 pennies to make a group of 10 pennies.
- Your child says, “ $10 + 7 = 17$ .”



$$8 + 7 + 2 = \underline{\quad} \quad 3 + 9 + 1 = \underline{\quad}$$

$$6 + 4 + 9 = \underline{\quad} \quad 7 + 3 + 3 = \underline{\quad}$$

$$5 + 8 + 5 = \underline{\quad} \quad 4 + 7 + 6 = \underline{\quad}$$