

Your child can understand the meaning of the equal sign, and determine if equations involving addition and subtraction are true or false. For example, which of the following equations are true and which are false?  $6 = 6$ ,  $7 = 8 - 1$ ,  $5 + 2 = 2 + 5$ ,  $4 + 1 = 5 + 2$ .

- Understand that the equal sign (=) means “the same.”
- Understand the concept of true and false.
- Know addition and subtraction facts up to 10.
- Understand that number sentences can be written in different orders (e.g.,  $5 = 3 + 2$ ,  $2 + 3 = 5$ ,  $3 + 2 = 5$ ).

## HELP AT HOME

► Place a number card on one side of an equal sign. Have your child count out that many counters. Then have him count out the same amount of counters for the other side of the equal sign. Discuss how these are now equal or the same. Do this with several different numbers. To enhance this game, place two addition or subtraction sentences on both sides of the equal sign then have your child determine if they are equal.

