Invented Algorithms

TYPICAL ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION STRATEGIES

Direct Modeling

Fingers, counters, base-10 blocks, ten-frames

Every number in the problem is represented by physical objects.

Example: 18 + 14 = ____: Makes a set of 18 counters. Makes a second set of 14 counters. Re-counts all counters "1, 2, 3, ..., 30, 31, 32."

Counting Strategies

Counting on, counting back, use of fingers

 Parts of the problem will still be modeled but all numbers no longer need to be represented by physical objects.

Example: 18 + 14 = ____: Makes 14 tick marks. Says "18 (pause), 19, 20, 21, ..., 30, 31, 32" counting each of the 14 tick marks.

Derived Fact Strategies

Doubles, use of 10-facts

Example: 18 + 14 =___: "18 + 2 is 20, plus 10 more is 30, plus 2 more is 32. So it's 32."

Grouping Strategies

Combine 10s and 1s, group friendly numbers

Example: 18 + 14 = ____: "10 + 10 is 20 and 8 + 4 is 12. So 20 + 10 is 30 and 2 more is 32. So it's 32."

Other Strategies

Incremental, compensation

Example: 18 + 14 =___: "20 + 14 is 34 but since it is 18, it's 2 less. So it's 32."

Standard Algorithm/ Recall