

Math Activities

The Heads In, Hearts In family enrichment program encourages families to use their minds (putting their "heads in") as a tool to expand their knowledge around a variety of topic areas. By creating a shared educational experience, the family unit will work, grow and learn together, putting their "hearts in" to the process.



This unit contains the following:

- 3D Shapes
- Eggs-cellent Counting
- Guess Which Shape
- Gumball Equations
- Hungry Hedgehogs
- Marshmallow Structures
- Measure a Room
- Measurement Equivalents
- Measuring Liquids
- Photo-Graph
- Pie Die
- Skippy Clippy
- Spinner Math
- Stories Math
- Time: Before and After
- Twisting Place Values

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Supplies

- Guide for Families" handout
- Clear plastic standup display (optional)
- Gumball Equations" handout (2 per participant or family)
- □¼ inch dot stickers or labels in three colors (10–15 per participant or family)
- □ Markers or crayons
- Display table

Activity Preparation

- > Purchase or locate items on supply list.
- Print one copy of the "Guide for Families" handout.
 Laminate or place in a clear plastic standup display to allow participants to see it more readily.
- Print two "Gumball Equations" handouts per participant or family.
- Set up the display table and arrange needed supplies.





Gumball Equations

Guide for Families

Learning Objectives

What you need to know:

An **equation** is a math sentence that has two sides that are equal separated by an equal sign (=). For example, in the **equation** 1+1=2, both sides of the equation are equal and show two different ways to represent a number.

What you will do and learn:

In this activity you will practice counting objects, adding them together to get the total and completing equations.

Instructions

- **1.** Take a "Gumball Equations" handout.
- 2. In the first gumball machine, place a few stickers of the same color.
- **3.** In the second gumball machine, place a few stickers of the second color.
- **4.** In the third gumball machine, place a few stickers of the third color.
- 5. Count the number of stickers in each gumball machine and write the number in the box below the gumball machine with a crayon or marker.
- 6. Add the number of stickers together and write the total in the box after the + sign.
- **7.** Repeat this activity a second time with a different number of stickers.



Gumball Equations

Gumball Equations Handout



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Gumball Equations

Gumball Equations Handout, continued



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