

Addition Word Problems

1. For her reading assignment, Ashley read 27 pages on Saturday, and another 23 on Sunday. How many pages did she read over the weekend?
2. Susan's grandpa was fibbing again: "your grandma and I, together, we are over 150 years old!" If her grandpa is 71, and her grandma is 68, what's the real sum of their ages?
3. Ivan had named all the 54 chickens in the farm, and then his dad bought another 60! Ivan wants to make name tags for every chicken, old and new. How many tags will he need?
4. Ariel had saved \$46 for a violin, and all of a sudden he got \$55 from a long-lost cousin. If the violin is \$80, does he already have enough money to buy it?
5. Karina and Ursula were playing with the bathroom scale. Karina went first, weighing 65 lb, and then Ursula, who was 72 lb. They then decided to jump on the scale together. What weight did the scale show?
6. Harry got 34 points in his written French exam, and 32 in his oral exam. He knows he passed, but he did not calculate his total grade exactly. Can you help him?
7. At the talent show, Eve was surprised to see so many people, not only from the first year, but also from the second. Later she learned there were 67 first year and 49 second year students. How many students went to cheer on Eve at the talent show?
8. Alexander did very well in his first sprint, clocking 18 seconds, but his second round was terrible at 24 seconds (he tripped). The qualifying time is a total of 43 seconds for both rounds. What was his total time for the two rounds? Did he qualify by achieving a two round total of less than 43 seconds?

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9. Dr. Bright was only 21 when he invented his famous robot, but it would take him another 43 years to invent anything else. How old was he by then?
10. Donna decided to make 100 things every day. On the first day, she made 40 Mother's Day cards, planted 32 flowers, and wrote 11 poems. Did she reach her goal of 100 things on the first day?
11. Hugo and his two friends decided to make their community cleaner by picking up 150 pieces of litter. His two friends picked up 45 and 48 pieces of litter and Hugo picked up 67 pieces of litter. How many pieces of litter did the three friends pick up all together and did they make their goal of 150 pieces of litter?
12. The largest toy soldier battle in the block involved Tim's 58 soldiers, Ramon's 64 soldiers, and Nadine's 80 soldiers. How many toy soldiers participated in that battle?

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Answers

1. For her reading assignment, Ashley read 27 pages on Saturday, and another 23 on Sunday. How many pages did she read over the weekend?
27 pages + 23 pages = 50 pages. She is reading an adventure book.
2. Susan's grandpa was fibbing again: "your grandma and I, together, we are over 150 years old!" If her grandpa is 71, and her grandma is 68, what's the real sum of their ages?
71 years + 68 years = 139 years. They still have a way to go.
3. Ivan had named all the 54 chickens in the farm, and then his dad bought another 60! Ivan wants to make name tags for every chicken, old and new. How many tags will he need?
54 tags + 60 tags = 114 tags. His favorite is called "Napoleon".
4. Ariel had saved \$46 for a violin, and all of a sudden he got \$55 from a long-lost cousin. If the violin is \$80, does he already have enough money to buy it?
\$46 + \$55 = \$101, which is greater than \$80. He has some money for extra strings.
5. Karina and Ursula were playing with the bathroom scale. Karina went first, weighing 65 lb, and then Ursula, who was 72 lb. They then decided to jump on the scale together. What weight did the scale show?
65 lb + 72 lb = 137 lb. The scale broke down due to all that jumping, though.
6. Harry got 34 points in his written French exam, and 32 in his oral exam. He knows he passed, but he did not calculate his total grade exactly. Can you help him?
34 points + 32 points = 66 points. Harry is not satisfied since the maximum is 100 points.

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7. At the talent show, Eve was surprised to see so many people, not only from the first year, but also from the second. Later she learned there were 67 first year and 49 second year students. How many students went to cheer on Eve at the talent show?

67 students + 49 students = 116 students. It was a really moving show.

8. Alexander did very well in his first sprint, clocking 18 seconds, but his second round was terrible at 24 seconds (he tripped). The qualifying time is a total of 43 seconds for both rounds. What was his total time for the two rounds? Did he qualify by achieving a two round total of less than 43 seconds?

18 seconds + 24 seconds = 42 seconds. Alexander qualified for the next round, and continued up to the finals.

9. Dr. Bright was only 21 when he invented his famous robot, but it would take him another 43 years to invent anything else. How old was he by then?

21 years + 43 years = 64 years. By then nobody remembered his famous robot anymore.

10. Donna decided to make 100 things every day. On the first day, she made 40 Mother's Day cards, planted 32 flowers, and wrote 11 poems. Did she reach her goal of 100 things on the first day?

40 cards + 32 flowers + 11 poems = 83 different things. She didn't reach her goal, but there is always tomorrow!

11. Hugo and his two friends decided to make their community cleaner by picking up 150 pieces of litter. His two friends picked up 45 and 48 pieces of litter and Hugo picked up 67 pieces of litter. How many pieces of litter did the three friends pick up all together and did they make their goal of 150 pieces of litter?

45 + 48 + 67 = 160 pieces of litter. They met their goal and picked up an extra 10 pieces of litter.

12. The largest toy soldier battle in the block involved Tim's 58 soldiers, Ramon's 64 soldiers, and Nadine's 80 soldiers. How many toy soldiers participated in that battle?

58 soldiers + 64 soldiers + 80 soldiers = 202 soldiers. It was a huge battle, but everyone returned home in the end.