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Adding Whole Numbers

You can add more than two numbers when you line up the numbers by place value and add one place at a time.

Add 3,456 + 139 + 5,547.

Estimate: 3,000 + 100 + 6,000 = 9,100

Step 1

Line up numbers by place value.

Add the ones.

Regroup if needed.

Step 2

Add the tens.

Regroup if needed.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 12 \\
 3,456 \\
 139 \\
 + 5,547 \\
 \hline
 42
 \end{array}$$

Keep digits in neat columns as you add.

Step 3

Add the hundreds, then the thousands.

Continue to regroup.

$$\begin{array}{r}
1 & 1 & 2 \\
3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\
139 \\
+ & 5 & 5 & 47 \\
\hline
9 & 142
\end{array}$$

9,142 is close to the estimate of 9,100.

Add.

7. Number Sense Jill added 450 + 790 + 123 and got 1,163. Is this sum reasonable?