Activity 5

Pairs that make ten

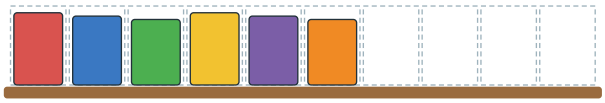
Find two numbers that make 10

Vedu's shelf has **10** spaces. Mira puts some books on it. Count the empty spaces.

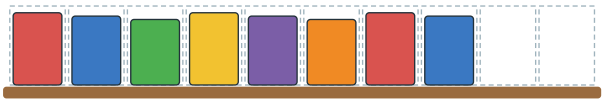
Worked example 4 books + **6** empty spaces = 10



1. 6 + ☐ = 10



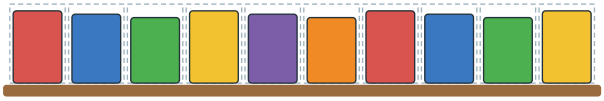
2. 8 + ☐ = 10



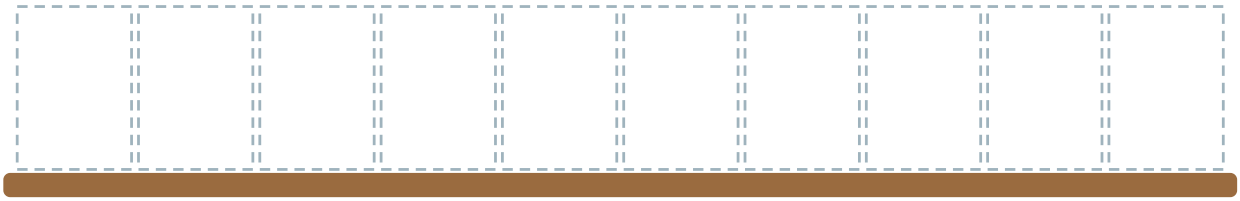
3. 3 + ☐ = 10



4. 10 + ☐ = 10



5. Colour some spaces red and the rest blue. Write your pair: _____ + _____ = 10



6. Mira has 10 bangles. 7 are on her arm. The rest are in a box. How many are in the box? Draw them to check.

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Grown-up tip Line up 10 real blocks. Count the full spaces, then the empty ones: together they always make 10.

Answers for grown-ups

Pairs that make ten. Check together and praise good thinking. Open answers say what to look for.

1. 4
2. 2
3. 7
4. 0
5. Open answer: look for two numbers that make 10
6. 3

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