**Solving Addition Problems**

* Use counters or draw circles/dots to show the amount each number
* Then add up all the counters or circles/dots

Example:

5

+ 2

5

+ 2

7

= 7 dots

**Solving Subtraction Problems**

* Use counters or draw circles/dots to show only the biggest/large number in the problem
* Look at the small number, then, move that number of counters away or cross out that number of circles/dots

Example:

5

- 2

3

= 3 dots left

5

- 2