



School-Home Connection

Dear Family,

Today we started Chapter 14 in *Think Math!* In this chapter, I will learn different ways to add and subtract. I will learn how to make change from a dollar and to solve Cross Number Puzzles that have more than one solution. There are NOTES on the Lesson Activity Book pages to explain what I am learning every day.

Here are some activities for us to do together at home. These activities will help me learn to create reasonable story problems and to make change.

Love,

Family Fun

Story Time

Work with your child to create story problems.

- Create two story problems. Make one problem a silly or unreasonable story and the other a reasonable story. For example,

**Jack is twice as tall as his father.
His father is 8 feet tall.** (unreasonable)

**Jack is half as tall as his father.
His father is 6 feet tall.** (reasonable)

- Discuss what makes each story reasonable or unreasonable.
- You may wish to create more stories like these and have your child make a book of math stories. Your child can draw pictures to go with each story and explain how to solve each one.

Money, Money, Money

Work with your child to practice identifying coins and making change from a dollar.

- You will need one dollar bill, pennies, nickels, and dimes. Write various amounts of money, less than a dollar, each on a separate slip of paper.
- Give your child the dollar bill. Have your child select one of the slips of paper. Ask your child to identify the amount.
- Have your child use the dollar to pretend to buy an item for the amount on the slip of paper. Work together to figure out how much change your child should get.

