Place Value: The Nucleus of Arithmetic!



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Place Value

- The author of *Treviso Arithmetic of 1478* considered place value so important that it was listed first among the "five" operations of arithmetic.
- It organizes numbers into neat packets.
- Place value is a necessary ingredient to make sense of computational algorithms.
- Without place value, numbers are a string of words that do not identify the values.

Place Value

- Traditional approach through counting: 10 + 3 is a counting process with no incorporation of place value.
- Place value is not memorizing and reciting 1s, 10s, 100s, 1000s.
- The value of a digit's position in a number is not arbitrary, but forms a pattern.
- Place value must be carefully taught.



Transparent Number Naming

10 = ten 11 = ten 1 12 = ten 2 13 = ten 314 = ten 4

- 20 = 2-ten
- 21 = 2-ten 1
- 22 = 2-ten 2
- 23 = 2-ten 3

19 = ten 9

99 = 9-ten 9

Transparent Number Naming







Transparent Number Naming

- Children in Asia learn mathematics using the math way of number naming.
- They understand place value in first grade; only half of U.S. children understand place value at the end of fourth grade.
- Mathematics is the science of patterns. The patterned math way of number naming greatly helps children learn number sense.

Transparent Number Naming and Place Value Cards



Can You Find Activity

Can you find 6 hundred? 2 hundred 5? 3-ten 9? 8 hundred 46?

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Bead Trading Activity





Adding 4-Digit Numbers



3658 + 273<mark>8</mark>

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 $\begin{array}{r}
 1 & 1 \\
 3658 \\
 + 2738 \\
 6396
\end{array}$

In Summary

- Introduce quantities and operations in a visualizable manner.
- Use transparent number naming.
- Introduce written numerals using place-value cards.
- Play games to reinforce concepts and bring joy.

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