Hundreds, tens and ones to 1000

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Grade 2 Mathematics: Hundreds, Tens and Ones to 1000 (5 lessons, about 4 weeks)

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Back to the grade 2 year plan - Term 2. Builds on grade 1: Tens and ones to 100 and grade 2 term 1: Adding and taking away within 100

Big idea

Ten ones make a ten, and ten tens make a hundred. The three digits of a number like 243 tell us how many hundreds, tens and ones there are, and a zero means "none of these". Because of this, we can compare numbers by looking at the hundreds first, and we can add or take away 10 or 100 by changing just one digit. Some numbers of things can be shared into pairs with none left over (even) and some cannot (odd), and things set out in equal rows can be counted by adding the rows.

Outcomes

By the end of the unit most children can:

1. Show that 100 is ten tens, and that 100, 200, 300 and so on up to 900 are one, two, three and so on up to nine hundreds, with no tens and no ones.
2. Build, read and write three-digit numbers as numerals, as number names and as hundreds, tens and ones (243 = 200 + 40 + 3), including numbers with a zero (706 is 7 hundreds, 0 tens and 6 ones).
3. Count on within 1000, including across a hundred (198, 199, 200, 201), and count in fives, tens and hundreds from different starting numbers.
4. Compare two three-digit numbers by looking at the hundreds, then the tens, then the ones, and record the result with >, = or <.
5. Say 10 more, 10 less, 100 more and 100 less than a number from 100 to 900 in their heads, and add or take away whole hundreds (300 + 400 = 700) or whole tens (570 - 40 = 530) when no new ten or hundred is made.
6. Tell whether a group of up to 20 objects is odd or even by pairing them, write an even number as a double (14 = 7 + 7), and find the total of an array of up to 5 rows and 5 columns by adding equal rows (4 + 4 + 4 = 12).

Prior knowledge

The grade 1 unit on tens and ones to 100 (tens and ones, comparing two-digit numbers with >, = and <, 10 more and 10 less) and the grade 2 term 1 unit on adding and taking away within 100. Children who are still building two-digit place value can work with hundreds and tens only (300, 340) before adding ones, in every lesson.

Lessons

Each lesson is about 45 minutes: a short whole-class start, paired work with cubes and hundred cards, and a closing check. Split a lesson over two days if needed; the unit runs over about 4 weeks, so counting in fives, tens and hundreds should come back in short daily practice (5 minutes).

1. Ten tens make a hundred
2. Hundreds, tens and ones
3. Counting in fives, tens and hundreds, and comparing
4. 10 more, 10 less, 100 more, 100 less
5. Odd and even, and equal rows

Materials (whole class unless noted)

- Linking cubes too large to swallow, per pair: 10 towers of ten and 20 loose cubes (lessons 1 to 4), as in term 1. Straw bundles of ten wrapped with tape (no rubber bands, which may contain latex) work as well.
- Hundred cards, per pair: 9 squares of card, each the size of ten towers laid side by side, with a 10 by 10 grid drawn on and the grid lines raised with glued string or thick glue so they can be felt (lessons 1 to 4). Ten extra hundred cards for the class (lesson 1).
- A hundreds-tens-ones mat per pair: a sheet with three columns labelled hundreds, tens and ones, with raised lines (glued string) between them (lessons 2 to 4).
- Three sets of digit cards 0 to 9 per pair, so children can build and point to three-digit numbers (lessons 2 to 4).
- Number-name word cards per pair, in large print: one to nine, ten to nineteen, twenty, thirty, forty, fifty, sixty, seventy, eighty, ninety, and hundred (lesson 2).
- Symbol cards >, = and < per pair, large enough to feel the shape (lessons 3 and 4).
- A large number line from 0 to 1000 marked in hundreds, for the board (lessons 3 and 4).
- A counting-in-tens chart for the board and one large-print copy per pair: ten rows, 10 to 100 in the first row, 110 to 200 in the second, and so on to 910 to 1000, with optional raised lines between rows (lesson 4).
- Hen's seed shop picture cards: a loose seed, a packet of 10 seeds and a box of 100 seeds (10 packets), plus order cards (lessons 1 and 2; see lesson 1).
- 20 counters per child, and a squared mat (a sheet ruled into 5 rows of 5 squares, with raised lines) per child (lesson 5).
- Whiteboards and pens, or paper and pencils.

⚠ Safety and access

- Use cubes and counters too large to swallow; no rubber bands.
- Towers, raised grid lines on the hundred cards and raised column lines on the mat let children who are blind or have low vision feel hundreds, tens and ones. Large-print or braille digit cards help children who read them.
- Pointing to digit cards, moving cubes and cards, sign, writing or a communication device all count as answers. Saying number names aloud is not required.
- No public timing or races. Counting games go round the class or pair, and a child may pass.

Assessment

Observe during paired work and keep a class list with one column per outcome. A one-to-one check (about 5 minutes per child) during the fourth week:

- "Show me 100 with towers. How many tens is it?" (10.) "Show me 600 with hundred cards." (6 cards.)
- "Build 438. How many hundreds, tens and ones? Write it as hundreds, tens and ones." (4 hundreds, 3 tens, 8 ones; 400 + 30 + 8.)
- Show the digit cards 5, 0, 6. "Read this number and build it." (Five hundred six: 5 hundreds, 0 tens, 6 ones.)
- "Count on in tens from 370." (380, 390, 400, 410.) "Count in fives from 225 to 250." (230, 235, 240, 245, 250.)
- "Which is more, 614 or 641? Put the right sign between them." (641; 614 < 641, because 1 ten is less than 4 tens.)
- "What is 100 more than 752? 10 less than 752? What is 400 + 500?" (852; 742; 900.)
- "Is 13 odd or even? Show me with counters." (Odd: 6 pairs and 1 left over.) "Make 3 rows of 5 counters and write an adding sentence for the total." (5 + 5 + 5 = 15.)

Record yes, with help or not yet for each part. A child who counts every cube in ones has the answer but not yet the place-value idea; note that rather than marking it wrong.

Sources

- Common Core State Standards, Grade 2 Number and Operations in Base Ten (read to check what is usually expected in grade 2, not to claim alignment): https://web.archive.org/web/2025/https://www.thecorestandards.org/Math/Content/2/NBT/
  - 2.NBT.A.1 the three digits of a three-digit number represent amounts of hundreds, tens and ones ("706 equals 7 hundreds, 0 tens, and 6 ones"), with 100 as "a bundle of ten tens" and 100, 200 ... 900 as one to nine hundreds; 2.NBT.A.2 count within 1000 and skip-count by 5s, 10s and 100s; 2.NBT.A.3 read and write numbers to 1000 using base-ten numerals, number names and expanded form; 2.NBT.A.4 compare two three-digit numbers using

    , = and <; 2.NBT.B.8 mentally add 10 or 100 to a given number 100-900, and mentally subtract 10 or 100 from it.

- Common Core, Grade 2 Operations and Algebraic Thinking: https://web.archive.org/web/2025/https://www.thecorestandards.org/Math/Content/2/OA/
  - 2.OA.C.3 odd or even for groups of up to 20 objects, "by pairing objects or counting them by 2s", and an even number as a sum of two equal addends; 2.OA.C.4 the total of a rectangular array with up to 5 rows and up to 5 columns, as a sum of equal addends.

Known gaps and cautions

- One other agent (Gemini 4 Argon, at 74bdc04) text-checked this unit on 2026-11-10 and reported no errors. That is a text check by an AI agent, not a teacher review or classroom test.
- Adding and taking away three-digit numbers where a new ten or hundred is made, or one has to be broken (2.NBT.B.7), is only touched as a stretch task (10 more than 395, 10 less

than 608). Adding up to four two-digit numbers (2.NBT.B.6) is not taught here. The grade 2 year plan does not give either a full unit, so a teacher may want to add one.

- English number names differ: some speakers say "five hundred six" and others "five hundred and six". Both are accepted; use the form your school uses on the word cards.
- Hundred cards are flat while towers are not, so a hundred card stands for ten towers rather than looking exactly like them. Lesson 1 has children lay towers on a card to check.
- Arrays stop at 5 by 5 and only use adding; multiplying is left for grade 3.
- Hen's seed shop and the other names (Duck, Mouse, Goat, Bear) are the made-up Little Hill characters used in other units.
- The lesson order, timings, examples and the seed-shop context are my choice, not taken from a source.

Lesson 1: Ten tens make a hundred

Unit overview - Next: Lesson 2

About 45 minutes.

Goal

Children see that ten tens make a hundred, use hundred cards to stand for a hundred, and count in hundreds to 1000.

Materials

- Per pair: 10 towers of ten linking cubes, 20 loose cubes and 9 hundred cards (10 by 10 grid, raised lines).
- Ten extra hundred cards for the class.
- Hen's seed shop picture cards: a loose seed, a packet of 10 seeds, and a box of 100 seeds (10 packets), plus order cards: "3 boxes", "5 boxes", "2 boxes and 4 packets", "6 boxes, 1 packet and 7 seeds".
- Whiteboards and pens, or paper and pencils.

Steps

✎ Opening (5 min)

Count in tens to 100 together, holding up a tower for each ten: 10, 20, 30 ... 100. "How many towers did we need to make 100?" (10.)

✎ Main activity (30 min)

1. **Ten towers on a card (10 min).** Each pair lays its 10 towers side by side on one hundred card. "The towers cover the whole card. Ten tens is one hundred." Children count the towers in tens to check (10, 20 ... 100) and run a finger along one row of the grid (10 squares) and down one column (10 rows). From now on, one hundred card stands for ten towers.
2. **Counting in hundreds (10 min).** Pairs put their hundred cards in a line along the floor or tables, and the class counts them in hundreds: 100, 200, 300 ... When the line has 9 cards, ask "What is one more hundred?" Add one of the class's extra cards: 1000, "one thousand", which is ten hundreds. Count back in hundreds from 1000 to 100. Ask "How many hundreds make 700?" (7) and "What number is 4 hundreds?" (400).
3. **Hen's seed shop (10 min).** Show the seed shop cards: Hen sells loose seeds, packets of 10 and boxes of 100. Read each order card; pairs build it with hundred cards, towers and cubes and say the number:
    - "3 boxes" (300)
    - "5 boxes" (500)
    - "2 boxes and 4 packets" (240)

    - "6 boxes, 1 packet and 7 seeds" (617)

✓ Discussion questions (with answers)

- How many ones are in a hundred? 100: ten tens, and each ten is ten ones.
- Why do we use a card instead of ten towers? It is quicker to build and count big numbers; the card covers exactly the same space as ten towers.
- What is ten hundreds? One thousand (1000).

✓ Closing check (10 min, with answers)

"Show me 400 with hundred cards." (4 cards.) "How many tens make 100?" (10.) "How many hundreds is 700?" (7.) Note who counts the cards in hundreds and who counts the grid squares one by one.

Vocabulary

hundred, hundred card, tens, ones, thousand, box, packet

Differentiation

- **Support:** build 100 with towers first, then 200 with towers on two cards, before using cards alone.
- **Stretch:** "Hen has 1000 seeds in boxes. How many boxes?" (10.) "How many packets of 10 make 300?" (30.)
- Children who are blind or have low vision feel the towers on the card and the raised grid; the line of cards can be on a table so it can be touched along its length.

⚠ Safety

Use cubes too large to swallow. Keep the floor line of cards out of walkways.

Teacher notes and misconceptions

- Some children think a hundred card is "one" because it is one piece. Keep asking "How many tens is that card?" and let them check with towers.
- Thousand is mentioned only as ten hundreds; numbers above 1000 are not taught.

Lesson 2: Hundreds, tens and ones

Unit overview - Previous: Lesson 1 - Next: Lesson 3

About 45 minutes.

Goal

Children build, read and write three-digit numbers as numerals, number names and hundreds, tens and ones, including numbers with a zero.

Materials

- Per pair: 9 hundred cards, 10 towers of ten, 20 loose cubes and a hundreds-tens-ones mat.
- Three sets of digit cards 0 to 9 per pair.
- Number-name word cards per pair (one to nine, ten to nineteen, twenty to ninety, hundred).
- Hen's seed shop picture cards (from lesson 1).
- Whiteboards and pens, or paper and pencils.

Steps

✎ Opening (5 min)

Count in hundreds from 100 to 900 and back, pointing to hundred cards. Show the seed shop box card: "How many seeds in 3 boxes?" (300.)

✎ Main activity (30 min)

1. **Build it and read it (10 min).** On the board: 243. Build it on the mat: 2 hundred cards, 4 towers and 3 loose cubes. "2 hundreds, 4 tens and 3 ones: two hundred forty-three." Show the digit cards 2, 4, 3 under the right columns. Pairs build, put digit cards under and read:
    - 365
    - 512
    - 128
2. **When there is a zero (10 min).** Build 706: 7 hundred cards, no towers, 6 cubes. "The tens column is empty, so we write 0 tens: seven hundred six." Then build 760 and 67 next to it. "Which has the most? Which digit tells you?" (760: it has 7 hundreds and 6 tens; 67 has no hundreds.) Pairs build 607 and 670 and say how they differ (607 has 0 tens and 7 ones; 670 has 7 tens and 0 ones).
3. **Three ways to write it (10 min).** Show 352 three ways: the numeral, the name (three hundred fifty-two, with word cards) and hundreds, tens and ones (300 + 50 + 2). Pairs choose two numbers they built and write each in all three ways. Words may be built from word cards instead of written.

✓ Discussion questions (with answers)

- Why can't we leave out the 0 in 706? Without it, the 7 and 6 move up and the number reads 76, which is much less.
- In 352, what is the 5 worth? 50, or 5 tens.
- Is 300 + 50 + 2 the same number as 352? Yes, it is the same number split into hundreds, tens and ones.

✓ Closing check (10 min, with answers)

"Build 409 and tell me how many hundreds, tens and ones." (4 hundreds, 0 tens, 9 ones; 400 + 9.) "What number is 300 + 50 + 2?" (352.) Note who puts a 0 in the tens place and who writes 49.

Vocabulary

hundreds, tens, ones, digit, zero, number name

Differentiation

- **Support:** build only hundreds and tens first (340, 520), then add ones.
- **Stretch:** "Make the biggest and the smallest number you can with the digit cards 3, 0 and 8." (830 and 308; a number does not start with 0.)
- Children who are blind or have low vision feel the raised columns on the mat and the grid on the hundred cards; number names can be said, signed or pointed to instead of written.

⚠ Safety

Use cubes too large to swallow.

Teacher notes and misconceptions

- Some children write two hundred forty-three as 20043, writing each part as they hear it. Building on the mat and putting one digit card under each column helps.
- Some speakers say "two hundred and forty-three". Both forms are fine.

Lesson 3: Counting in fives, tens and hundreds, and comparing

Unit overview - Previous: Lesson 2 - Next: Lesson 4

About 45 minutes.

Goal

Children count on within 1000, including across a hundred, count in fives, tens and hundreds from different starting numbers, and compare three-digit numbers using >, = and <.

Materials

- Per pair: 9 hundred cards, 10 towers of ten, 20 loose cubes, a hundreds-tens-ones mat, three sets of digit cards 0 to 9, and symbol cards

  , = and <.

- The large number line from 0 to 1000 marked in hundreds, for the board.
- Whiteboards and pens, or paper and pencils.

Steps

✎ Opening (5 min)

Count in fives from 0 to 50 together, clapping on each number. Then count on in ones from 196 to 204, pointing near 200 on the number line: 197, 198, 199, 200, 201 ... "What happened after 199?" (A new hundred: 200.)

✎ Main activity (30 min)

1. **Counting from different places (10 min).** Go round the class or pair, each child saying the next number (a child may pass):
   - fives from 115 to 150 (120, 125, 130, 135, 140, 145, 150)
   - tens from 340 to 420 (350, 360, 370, 380, 390, 400, 410, 420)
   - hundreds from 50 to 950 (150, 250, 350 ... 950) Point to roughly where each count is on the number line.
2. **Which is more? (10 min).** Duck's sack has 352 seeds; Mouse's sack has
3. Pairs build both. "Look at the hundreds first: both have 3. Then the tens: 5 tens is more than 2 tens. So 352 is more." Write 352 > 325 and read it: "352 is greater than 325." Show that < means "is less than", and that the wide-open side of the sign faces the bigger number. Pairs compare and put a symbol card between:
   - 418 and 481 (418 < 481)
   - 609 and 690 (609 < 690)
   - 700 and 699 (700 > 699)
   - 534 and 534 (534 = 534)

4. **Make and compare (10 min).** Each child in a pair draws three digit cards and makes a three-digit number (not starting with 0). Together they build both, put the right symbol between and read the sentence. Play several rounds; there is no winner, only the sentence.

✓ Discussion questions (with answers)

- Why do we look at the hundreds first? A hundred is more than any number of tens and ones we could have in the other columns (99 at most), so the hundreds decide unless they are the same.
- 700 has only zeros after the 7. Why is it more than 699? 700 has 7 hundreds; 699 has only 6 hundreds and 9 tens and 9 ones, which is one less.
- What comes after 399? 400.

✓ Closing check (10 min, with answers)

"Which is more, 263 or 236? How do you know?" (263: same hundreds, and 6 tens is more than 3 tens.) "Put the right sign: 507 and 570." (507 < 570.) "Count on in tens from 280." (290, 300, 310.)

Vocabulary

greater than, less than, equal to, compare, count on, fives

Differentiation

- **Support:** compare numbers with different hundreds first (245 and 512), building both, before numbers with the same hundreds.
- **Stretch:** "Put these in order from least to greatest: 489, 498, 849, 894." (489, 498, 849, 894.) Count back in tens from 430 to 370 (420, 410, 400, 390, 380, 370).
- Children who are blind or have low vision feel the symbol cards and the built numbers; counts can be tapped on a table as well as said.

⚠ Safety

Use cubes too large to swallow.

Teacher notes and misconceptions

- Some children say 418 is more than 481 "because 8 is bigger than 1". Going column by column, starting with the hundreds, fixes this.
- Counting on across a hundred (what comes after 399, or after 390 when counting in tens) is often shaky; keep it in daily counting practice.

Lesson 4: 10 more, 10 less, 100 more, 100 less

Unit overview - Previous: Lesson 3 - Next: Lesson 5

About 45 minutes.

Goal

Children say 10 more, 10 less, 100 more and 100 less than a number from 100 to 900 in their heads, and add or take away whole hundreds or whole tens when no new ten or hundred is made.

Materials

- Per pair: 9 hundred cards, 10 towers of ten, 20 loose cubes, a hundreds-tens-ones mat, three sets of digit cards 0 to 9 and symbol cards

  , = and <.

- The counting-in-tens chart for the board and one large-print copy per pair.
- The large number line from 0 to 1000 marked in hundreds.
- Whiteboards and pens, or paper and pencils.

Steps

✎ Opening (5 min)

Quick 10 more and 10 less within 100, as in term 1: "10 more than 47?" (57.) "10 less than 62?" (52.) "10 more than 90?" (100.)

✎ Main activity (30 min)

1. **Change one card (10 min).** Pairs build 346. "Add one hundred card. What number is it now?" (446.) "Take it away again and add one tower." (356.) "Which digit changed each time?" (The hundreds digit for 100 more, the tens digit for 10 more.) Pairs build, change and say:
   - 100 more than 521 (621)
   - 100 less than 874 (774)
   - 10 more than 235 (245)
   - 10 less than 653 (643)
2. **The counting-in-tens chart (10 min).** On the chart, 10 more is one step along a row and 100 more is one row down. Start at 340: one step along (350), one row down (450). Pairs find on their copies: 100 less than 580 (480), 10 more than 720 (730), 100 more than 260 (360). Then without the chart: "What is 100 more than 263?" (363.)
3. **Whole hundreds and whole tens (10 min).** "3 hundreds and 4 hundreds is 7 hundreds, so 300 + 400 = 700." Pairs work out in their heads and check with cards:
   - 300 + 400 (700)

- 800 - 500 (300)
- 240 + 30 (270)
- 570 - 40 (530)
- 600 + 200 + 100 (900)

✓ Discussion questions (with answers)

- Why does only one digit change when we add 100 to 346? We add one hundred, so only the number of hundreds changes; the tens and ones stay the same.
- Why is 300 + 400 like 3 + 4? We are adding hundreds instead of ones: 3 hundreds and 4 hundreds are 7 hundreds.
- On the chart, why is one row down 100 more? Each row has ten steps of 10, which is 100.

✓ Closing check (10 min, with answers)

"What is 100 more than 263?" (363.) "10 less than 263?" (253.) "What is 500 + 300?" (800.) "700 - 200?" (500.) Note who answers in their head and who needs to build.

Vocabulary

10 more, 10 less, 100 more, 100 less, in my head

Differentiation

- **Support:** keep building every number and changing one card or tower before trying in their heads.
- **Stretch:** "10 more than 395?" (405: 9 tens and 1 more ten make a new hundred.) "10 less than 608?" (598: a hundred is broken into ten tens.) Children check with cards and towers.
- Children who are blind or have low vision use the mat and cards; the counting-in-tens chart can have raised lines between rows, or be skipped in favour of building.

⚠ Safety

Use cubes too large to swallow.

Teacher notes and misconceptions

- Some children add 100 by adding 1 to the ones digit (346 becomes 347). Ask "What did you add: a cube, a tower or a hundred card?"
- The stretch tasks cross a hundred, which needs a new hundred to be made or a hundred to be broken. That is not expected of everyone in this unit.

Lesson 5: Odd and even, and equal rows

Unit overview - Previous: Lesson 4

About 45 minutes.

Goal

Children tell whether a group of up to 20 objects is odd or even by pairing, write an even number as a double, and find the total of an array with up to 5 rows and 5 columns by adding equal rows.

Materials

- 20 counters per child, too large to swallow.
- A squared mat per child: a sheet ruled into 5 rows of 5 squares, with raised lines.
- Whiteboards and pens, or paper and pencils.

Steps

✎ Opening (5 min)

Count in twos to 20 together, then back to 0.

✎ Main activity (30 min)

1. **Can every counter have a partner? (12 min).** Take 12 counters and put them in pairs: 6 pairs and none left over. "12 is even." Take 13: 6 pairs and 1 left over. "13 is odd." Children test these and sort them into odd and even:
    - 8 (even: 4 pairs)
    - 11 (odd: 5 pairs and 1 left)
    - 14 (even: 7 pairs)
    - 17 (odd: 8 pairs and 1 left)
    - 20 (even: 10 pairs)
    - 9 (odd: 4 pairs and 1 left) Then split each even number into two equal rows and write it as a double: 12 = 6 + 6, 14 = 7 + 7, 20 = 10 + 10.
2. **Goat's carrot rows (13 min).** Goat plants carrots in rows with the same number in each row. Show 3 rows of 4 on the mat: "4 + 4 + 4 = 12." Children build each array on their mat with counters and write an adding sentence:
    - 2 rows of 5 (5 + 5 = 10)
    - 4 rows of 3 (3 + 3 + 3 + 3 = 12)
    - 3 rows of 5 (5 + 5 + 5 = 15)
    - 5 rows of 5 (5 + 5 + 5 + 5 + 5 = 25)
3. **Turn it round (5 min).** Turn the mat a quarter turn so 4 rows of 3 become 3 rows of 4. "Is it the same number of carrots?" (Yes, 12: 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 = 12 and 4 + 4 + 4 = 12.)

✓ Discussion questions (with answers)

- How can you tell 17 is odd without counting by ones? Put the counters in pairs: one is always left over.
- Is every double an even number? Yes: two equal rows can always be put together in pairs, one from each row.
- Why is adding rows quicker than counting every carrot? Each row has the same number, so we can count on in that number.

✓ Closing check (10 min, with answers)

"Is 15 odd or even? Show me." (Odd: 7 pairs and 1 left over.) "Write 16 as a double." (8 + 8.) "Make 2 rows of 4 and write an adding sentence." (4 + 4 = 8.)

Vocabulary

odd, even, pair, double, row, column, array

Differentiation

- **Support:** work with numbers up to 10 for odd and even, and arrays with 2 rows first.
- **Stretch:** "Make every array you can with 12 counters, using no more than 5 rows and 5 columns." (3 rows of 4 and 4 rows of 3.) "Is the total of two odd numbers odd or even? Try some." (Even: the two left-over counters make a pair.)
- Children who are blind or have low vision feel the raised squares on the mat and the pairs of counters; answers can be said, signed or shown with counters.

⚠ Safety

Use counters too large to swallow.

Teacher notes and misconceptions

- Some children think a number is even if it "looks big" or ends in a big digit. Pairing real counters is the check.
- Multiplying and the times sign are not taught here; arrays are counted by adding equal rows.