Expanded Form

Expanded Form is an excellent lead-in to the Standard Algorithm (the "regular way"), which is formally taught in Grade 4. Expanded form helps students remember that each digit has a value associated with the place it is positioned in a number.

No Regrouping	Regrouping in the Ones Place
682 = 600 + 80 + 2 214 = 200 + 10 + 4 898 = 800 + 90 + 8	428 = 400 + 20 + 8 264 = 200 + 60 + 4 692 = 600 + 80 + 12
Regrouping in the Tens Place	Regrouping Tens and Ones
724 = 700 + 20 + 4 181 = 100 + 80 + 1 905 = 800 + 100 + 5	273 = 200 + 70 + 3 549 = 500 + 40 + 9 822 = 700 + 110 + 12

Addition Examples

Subtraction Examples

Regroup Tens & Ones	Regroup Hundreds & Tens
70 12 682 = 600 + 80 + 2 264 = 200 + 60 + 4 418 = 400 + 10 + 8	$300 120 \\ 428 = 400 + 20 + 8 \\ \underline{264 = 200 + 60 + 4} \\ 164 = 100 + 60 + 4$
Regroup Hundreds, Tens & Ones	Regrouping with Zeros
$\begin{array}{r} 110 \\ 600 10 14 \\ 724 = 700 + 20 + 4 \\ 180 = 100 + 80 + 0 \end{array}$	90 800 100 10 900 = 900 + 0 + 0

Base Ten Form

Students can be flexible when adding or subtracting large numbers together. Notice that there is no regrouping necessary, students do not need to remember to "carry" or "borrow."

Addition Examples for 547 + 248

500 + 200 = 700	547 + 200 = 747
40 + 40 = 80	747 + 40 = 787
7 + 8 = 15	787 + 3 = 790
700 + 80 + 15 = 795	790 + 5 = 795
* Add each place value, then add all the numbers together.	* Decompose the 8 into 3 + 5 to make a "friendly" number.

Subtraction Examples for 547 - 248

547 - 200 = 347	547 - 7 = 540
347 - 40 = 307	540 - 40 = 500
307 - 7 = 300	500 - 200 = 300
300 - 1 = 299	300 - 1 = 299
* Decompose the 8 into 7 + 1 to make a "friendly"	* Decompose the 8 into 7 + 1 to make a "friendly"
number.	number.
248 + 2 = 250 250 + 50 = 300 300 + 200 = 500 500 + 47 = 547 200 + 50 + 47 + 2 = 299 * Inverse operations, add to find the difference.	

Number Line Addition/Subtraction

Students can be flexible when adding or subtracting numbers on a number line. Notice that there is no regrouping necessary, students do not need to remember to "carry" or "borrow."

