

SCHOOL to HOME

Connections

Chapter 8 Adding and Subtracting Decimals

Dear Family,

In this chapter, your child will learn to add and subtract decimals and use this skill to solve real-world problems.

Activity

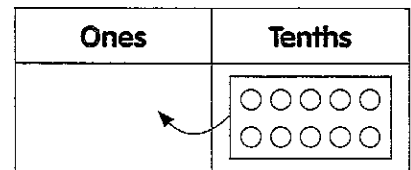
Adding and subtracting decimals is a key skill needed to perform simple everyday tasks. While traveling by car or on a trip to the supermarket, look for opportunities to demonstrate this to your child and help them practice some of the skills they have learned. For example, encourage your child to notice that at the supermarket, the prices of many items are listed as decimals, not whole numbers.

- Ask your child to write down the prices of 5 items from the supermarket.
- At home, have your child add these decimals to find the total cost of all 5 items.
- Ask your child to calculate how much money he or she will have remaining after buying these 5 items, if he or she had \$70 to begin with. (Choose a number that is greater than the total cost of the 5 items.)

Vocabulary to Practice

Regrouping tenths:

10 tenths = 1 one



Regrouping hundredths:

10 hundredths = 1 tenth

