

Subtraction Strip Board — Subtracting from 10

Base Sheet

Activity Sheet

The child uses the subtraction strip board to systematically work through all subtraction combinations that start with 10. This builds toward memorization of subtraction facts and deepens understanding of number relationships.

What You Need:

- Subtraction strip board
- Blue and red number strips
- Prepared recording sheet ($10 - \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$)
- Pencil
- Work mat

Steps:

1. Review the strip board setup from yesterday.
2. 'Today we will find ALL the ways to subtract from 10!'
3. Start with $10 - 1$: place the blue 10 strip, then the red 1 strip. 'What is left? 9!'
4. Record: $10 - 1 = 9$.
5. Continue systematically: $10 - 2 = 8$, $10 - 3 = 7$... through $10 - 9 = 1$.
6. 'Do you see a pattern?' Guide the child to notice the answers count down.
7. The child reads the complete list of facts aloud.

Work Space:

A large, dashed rectangular area designed for children to write their answers or draw during the activity. It is enclosed within a thin brown border.

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