Background

Imagine you are teaching a math lesson to a class of 16 second grade students. The purpose of this lesson is to examine the ways properties of operations can be used to add numbers.

You have asked the students to work with a partner to solve the problem 27 + 23 using any method that works best for them. The partners have completed their work. Now you plan to select 3 individual students to present their work to the class.

Look at the strategies below and the descriptions of the students. Then choose which three students you would like to have present.

The Problem

27 + 23

Learning Goal

Your goal is for the students to be able to understand how properties of operation can be used to add numbers.

- · You want the students to understand that two numbers can be added in any order (commutative property).
 - Example: 3 + 4 = 4 + 3

25 + 25 50

- · You also want the students to understand that 3 numbers can be regrouped and added in any order (associative property).
 - \cdot Example: 9 + (1 + 7) = (9 + 1) + 7

2nd Grade Student Descriptions		
Adriel (he/him)	Valentina (she/her)	Carter (he/him)
Adriel is an Indigenous boy who speaks English as his first language. He has no identified disabilities, and he receives free or reduced lunch. He has a history of average success and low participation during math lessons. He also loves to play soccer.	speech impairment (stuttering). She does not receive free or reduced lunch. She has a history of average success and low participation during math lessons. She also	Carter is a Black boy who speaks English as his first language. He has no identified disabilities, and he receives free or reduced lunch. He has a history of average success and little to no participation during math lessons. He also loves to coo and bake.
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Angel (she/her)

Angel is a Black girl who speaks English as her first language. She has no identified disabilities, and she does not receive free or reduced lunch. She has a history of low success and low history of average success participation during math lessons. She also eniovs making origami.

Daniela (she/her)

Daniela is a Latina girl who speaks English as her first language. She has no identified disabilities, and she does not receive free or reduced lunch. She has a and low participation during math lessons. She also loves to dance.

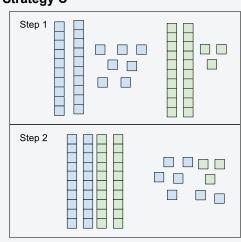
CJ (they/them)

CJ is a gender fluid white child who speaks English as no identified disabilities, and they do not receive free or reduced lunch. They have a history of high success and average participation during math lessons. They also love to draw and paint.

Alejandro (he/him)

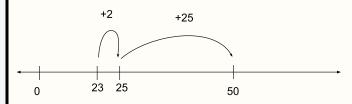
Alejandro is a Latino boy who speaks Spanish as his first their first language. They have language. He is an EL student who speaks English at a beginner level. He has no identified disabilities. He receives free or reduced lunch. He has a history of low success and low participation during math lessons. He also loves to play Minecraft.

Strategy C



- 1. I made 27 and 23 with the blocks.
- 2. I combined the tens together. Then I combined the ones. That's 4 tens, which is 40. Plus 10 ones, which is 50.

Strategy D



- I started at 23.
- Then I took 2 from the 27 to make a jump of 2.
- That makes 25.
- Then I only needed to add 25 more, so I made another jump and got 50.

Grace (she/her)

Grace is an Asian girl who speaks English as her first language. She has an IEP for dyslexia. She does not receive free or reduced lunch. She has a history of low success and average participation during math lessons. She also plays basketball.

Mason (he/him)

Mason is a white boy who speaks English as his first language. He is on an IEP for severe ADHD. He receives free or reduced lunch. He has a history of high success and low participation during math lessons. He also enjoys singing.

Jada (she/her)

Jada is a Black girl who speaks English as her first language. She has no identified disabilities, and she identified disabilities, and he does not receive free or reduced lunch. She has a history of high success and high participation during math lessons. She also plays on a softball team.

Liam (he/him)

Liam is a white boy who speaks English as his first language. He has no does not receive free or reduced lunch. He has a history of average success and average participation during math lessons. He also loves comic books.

Strategy E

23 + 27

23 + (2 + 25)

(23 + 2) = 25

- I made it 23 + 27 because that's easier for me to think about.
- Then I broke the 27 into 2 and 25.
- Then I combined the 2 with the 23, and I got

Strategy F

- First, I added 7 and 3 to get 10. I put a zero under the 7.
- Then I put the 1 up above the 2. Last I added 1 + 2 + 2 to get

Camille (she/her) Jackie (she/they) Mateo (he/him) Oliver (he/him) Jackie is a white transgender : Mateo is a Latino boy who Oliver is a white boy who Camille is a white girl who girl who speaks English as speaks Spanish as his first speaks English as his first speaks French as her first her first language. She has no language. He is an EL student language. He has no language. She is an EL identified disabilities. She who speaks English at an identified disabilities, and he student who speaks English receives free or reduced intermediate level. He has no does not receive free or at an advanced level. She has lunch. She has a history of identified disabilities. He reduced lunch. He has a no identified disabilities, and she does not receive free or average success and low receives free or reduced history of high success and lunch. He has a history of high high participation during math reduced lunch. She has a participation during math lessons. She also loves success and average lessons. He also enjoys riding history of high success and animals. participation during math his bike. high participation during math lessons. She also does lessons. He also likes to play the guitar. karate. Strategy G Strategy H 27 + 231. I made 27 and 23 with 1. First I added 20 and 20 to get 40. the blocks. Then I added 7 and 3 to get 10. 20 + 20 = 40 2. I pulled 2 apart from the • Then I added 40 and 10 to get 50. 27 to make 25. 7 + 3 = 10 3. I put the 2 with the 23 to make 25. That makes 25 40 + 10 = 50 + 25 which is 50.