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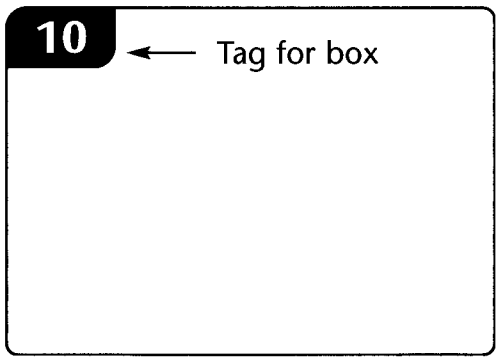
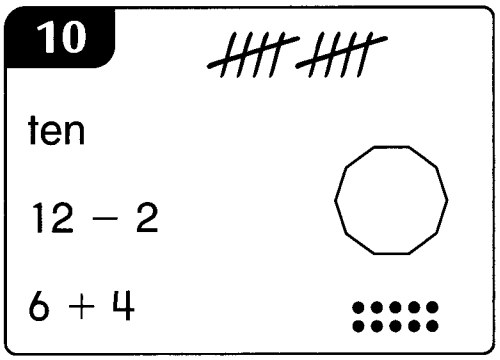
Name-Collection Boxes

Family Note Beginning in *First Grade Everyday Mathematics,* children use **name-collection boxes** to help them collect equivalent names for the same number. These boxes help children appreciate the idea that numbers can be expressed in many different ways.

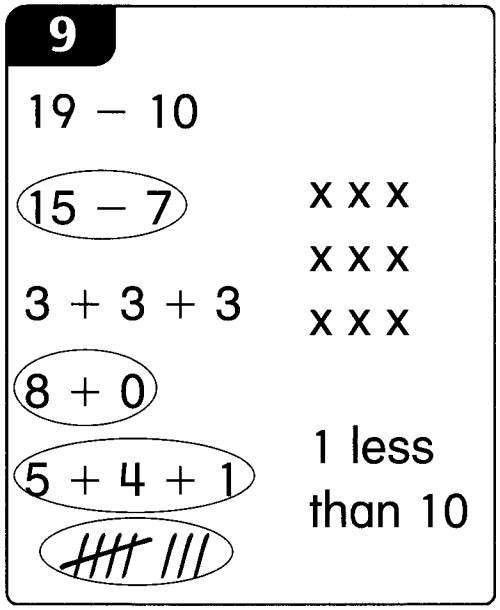
A name-collection box is an open box with a tag attached. The tag identifies the number whose names are collected in the box. In second grade, typical names include sums, differences, tally marks, and arrays. At higher grades, names may include products, quotients, and the results of several mathematical operations.



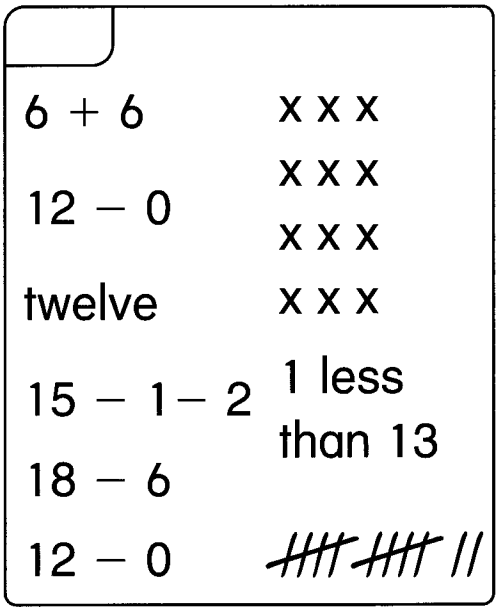
Name-collection box



Items in the name-collection box above represent the number 10. Some names contain numbers, and some do not.



Sometimes children must circle names that do not belong in the box.



Sometimes children must fill in the tag for the numbers shown in the box. The tag here should read 12.

Encourage your child to name a number in different ways—for example, use tally marks, write addition and subtraction problems, or draw pictures of objects.

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