

Glossary

A-C

addend - a number that is added to another

Associative Property of Addition - a property that states that the way terms are grouped in an addition expression does not affect the result

circle - a simple closed curve with points that are all the same distance from the center

Commutative Property of Addition - a property that states that the order in which numbers are added does not affect the result

D-M

decimal system - a number system based on ten, also called *base ten*

decompose - to separate a number into parts

difference - the result of subtracting one number from another

equation - a mathematical statement that uses an equal sign to show that two expressions have the same value

minuend - a number from which another is to be subtracted

minus - decrease by subtraction

P-S

place value - the position of a digit which indicates its assigned value

plus - increase by addition

rectangle - a quadrilateral with two pairs of opposite parallel sides and four right angles

skip counting - counting forward or backward by multiples of a number other than one

square - a quadrilateral in which the four sides are perpendicular and congruent

subtrahend - a number to be subtracted from another

sum - the result of adding numbers

T-Z

triangle - a polygon with three straight sides

unit - the place in a place-value system representing numbers less than the base

unknown - a specific quantity that has not yet been determined, usually represented by a letter