



Which function ?

This activity is designed to help children to see through the forest of words that often surround maths problems. A lot of maths testing often makes more demands on language than on arithmetical knowledge.

Instructions

Sort the problem cards into the mathematical function needed to solve them. Relax! You do not need to solve the problems!

This year Sam Crusty has baked sixty-eight currant buns. He sells them four to a bag. How many bagfuls can he sell?

Today's delivery at the Fast-trolley Supermarket includes vegetable samosas. There are four samosas in each box, and there are sixty-eight boxes. How many samosas does the supermarket have to sell?

Addition
+

Subtraction
-

It is sixty-eight kilometres between Venice and Vicenza. Every day the train does the journey four times. How far does the train travel?

Alf Carrot has a vegetable farm. He has sixty-eight hectares. He is going to retire next year and divide it between his four sons. How many hectares will each son receive?

Multiplication
X

Division
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The Emperor Titus always keeps sixty-eight gladiators at the Colosseum. He immediately replaces any that are eaten by lions. Each gladiator kills four lions every year. How many lions are killed each year at the Colosseum?

The ghost story has sixty-eight pages. Unfortunately the candle blows out, when the last four really frightening pages are still to be read. How many pages have been read so far?