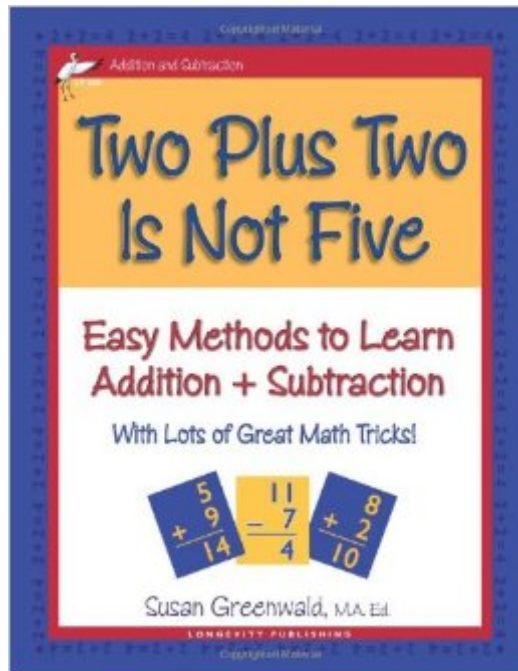


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# Two Plus Two Is Not Five (Easy Methods To Learn Addition & Subtraction)



## Synopsis

Kids need to memorize addition and subtraction facts. Many easy-to-learn number sense and visual strategies in this 254-page practice book make it different from other math workbooks. With daily practice, children will see that they can be successful in completing pages without counting on fingers or using a chart, and they will soon learn to memorize the math facts. This workbook was written for children in any grade level who need to learn math facts including kids who are learning addition and subtraction for the first time and older students who just never memorized the math facts. Use it alone or with *Addition and Subtraction: Beyond Math Facts*. Included in this workbook: Reproducible workbook pages, Record-keeping pages, Answer pages, How to Use the Book, and a Certificate of Mastery.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This book was so helpful to me at a time when my child was failing timed math tests at age 7- big F's on his papers- he started calling himself stupid and saying he was "bad in math." I was told to do more games and flash cards- but the systematic program and tricks in this book were really helpful. I thought this author amazing- she personally corresponded to me during a difficult time. I really recommend this book for any family struggling with what comes easy to some children- there is more than one way to learn math facts- and this was very helpful. I highly recommend.

As an 17+ year teacher of students with learning disabilities and a college instructor to pre-service and in-service teachers, I recommend Two Plus Two is Not Five as the resource for teaching addition and subtraction facts to students with and without disabilities. This isn't a book of drill sheets - this is a workbook with a purpose! Two Plus Two is Not Five presents an instructionally sound and effective "twist" on the mundane task of rote learning math facts that will keep students engaged while becoming proficient and confident. If I could only have one math resource in my elementary classroom - this would be it.

GREAT book for my struggling 2nd grader! At long last, after weeks of class-test failures, this is the one that brought the light to her sweet face. The tricks are pretty cool and mostly very helpful. For us, a few tricks were a little cumbersome to use. Nevertheless the arrangement of the lessons and the repetitions and refreshers together made it all WORK! For those who want to hear the tricks that were hard for my child: Number In The Middle such as  $8+6$  is the same as Doubles  $7+7$ . While this is useful and needed information, I think conceptually, this was a lot for my 7-yr old to switcheroo. Also a bit hard, Magic Nine, BUT she already had a handle that if she subtracts 10, then adds one back, she'll have it. So here, my girl had her own trick, and one shouldn't mess with what works. Nevertheless, DON'T let these minor criticisms deter you from buying--your child may love these tricks too OR you'll work through them like I did. The point is that IF you run into a difficulty like mine, you can manage it. A great, very well put-together book! I thank you wholeheartedly Susan R. Greenwald! (And shortly, on to the Multiplication book!)

I have two preschoolers, and I can't be more pleased with the way Two Plus Two is not Five introduces math to them. Similar to Kumon (and quite possibly better than), Two Plus Two works in progressions and slowly gets harder as a new concept is introduced. The pages can be torn out to be written on, or you can photocopy the pages to keep the book intact. One thing I really like about the Two Plus Two workbook as opposed to the Kumon workbooks is that there are no "unnecessary pages". Kumon beginning adding books seem to all start with writing out your number pages, number connect the dot pages, and the like. While this workbook is more bland looking (there are no cut images of animals or boats or the like), the concepts are spot on and direct. For younger kids, this may be something of a turn off, however, you could always break a page down into two projects for the kids, or have them do only a few problems at a time until they can complete a page. There is no adding or subtracting of two double digit numbers ( $10+25$  or  $20-12$  equations), but there are plenty of adding and subtracting of double digit numbers with single digit numbers. There

are also a lot of tricks to adding and subtracting, many of which I never learned and found were really helpful! This is a wonderful book for any kid who needs a little more help on math at school, or for home schooling kids. Highly recommended.

My eight year old has learning disabilities struggled and struggled with addition and subtraction. As soon as she learned a fact it was forgotten. We tried software, flashcards, manipulatives, workbooks, tutoring and summer school. I decided to try Two Plus Two is Not Five. Finally, my daughter is successful. She doesn't have to memorize math facts, but learns the facts by looking for numerical relationships (i.e. next to each other). After practice tools that build these skills she quickly sees the patterns presented and no longer has to depend on rote memorization and recall.

I wish this had been around when I was a child, frustrated to tears and unable to commit to the rote memorization of math facts that was the preferred method. I spent a decade counting on my fingers until, as an adult, I stumbled upon these common-sense formulas for basic arithmetic on my own because I had a job that made it practical. That ah-ha moment might have come much sooner had a book like this been available...I will never know. But in helping my second-grader with his own math facts, it has been invaluable. Great system...I'm sure we'll use the multiplication book too.

I bought this book for an 8th grader that was struggling with addition and subtraction facts! We went through the entire book in 3 days and she is no longer counting she is adding and subtracting using the tricks in the book!

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