

Doubles in Addition / Subtraction



1. **Doubles, twice, twins**
2. **Make It Visual:** Picture cues are a helpful memory aid for many kids in adding doubles. Here are some examples:
 - 1+1 two eyes
 - 2+2 # of arms and legs
 - 3+3 Sides of two triangles or a six-pack of soda
 - 4+4 Sides of 2 squares
 - 5+5 fingers on two hands
 - 6+6 an open egg carton
 - 7+7 two weeks on a calendar
 - 8+8 two spiders' legs
 - 9+9 two tic-tac-toe boards
 - 10+10 ten fingers and ten toes
3. **Books:**
 - a. **Double the Ducks – Stuart Murphy**
 - b. **What Comes in 2's, 3's, and 4's? - Suzanne Aker**
 - c. **Two of Everything – Lily Toyhong**
4. **Build 2 towers of equal height (connecting cubes)**
5. **Make or draw a ladybug – put same number of dots on each side. Also try a butterfly or other symmetric shapes or animals.**
6. **With partners: Person 1 writes an even number (up to 20) on their board. Show it to partner 2, who writes the doubles addition fact that goes with that number. Example: Partner 1 writes "6." Partner 2 would write 3 + 3. This could also be done with small group or whole class with a leader as person 1 writing the even number. The rest of the group or class writes the problem.**
7. **Videos: It's No Trouble to Add Doubles (Shows 10 frame dots):**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8jOzhiACB68>
8. **Use dot cards to show doubles in different arrangements. Students write number sentence.**