**Numbers – word problems using addition and subtraction**

Watch the video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PAbolHr1fvU>

**Use the challenge cards to do some practical addition.**

* All the cards use adding or take away within 20
* You can use other objects to lay out the amounts such as stones, buttons, bottle lids, sweets, pasta. Anything that your child can move and touch. These are called concrete materials. They help your child build up a feeling and visual for numbers.

**What do I do?**

1. Look at the card together.
2. Read out the problem.
3. Point out the words that tell you whether it is an add or take away problem. (1, 2, 5 = add, 3, 4, 6 = takeaway)
4. Ask your child to use their concrete materials to work out the problem.
5. They can use their concrete materials to solve the problem.
6. Now ask them to write the equation for each card with the correct symbols in their jotter. ( 7+ 9 =16)

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| Words that tell me it’s |
| An add problem | A take away problem |
| 1: join2: joins up 5: join  | 3: leave4: run away6:run away |