

SAM SOLVES

A WORD PROBLEMS ADVENTURE



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How Many?

“Mom, can you help me solve word problems?” asks Sam.



“Sure!” his mom answers. “Read them to me. I will try to help.”



“OK,” says Sam. “The first problem is: *Josh has three apples. Nina has nine apples. Tess has four apples. How many apples are there total?*”

“I’m not sure where to start,” says Sam.





“We will add them,” says his mom. “Let’s pretend these tomatoes are apples. We can use them to act out the problem.”

Sam makes three groups of tomatoes.

For Review Only





1. Josh has three apples. Mina has nine apples. How many apples are there total?

2. A brown dog has five puppies. A black dog has five puppies. A white dog has three puppies. A black dog has five puppies. How many puppies are there total?

3. Noah's teacher has twenty cookies. There are sixteen students in the class. If each student eats one, how many cookies are left?

Let's Review!

Sam draws and counts objects to solve word problems. Look at the word problems below. Can you count the objects to solve them?

1. Meg sees five trucks on the way to school. She sees five more at recess. On the way home from school, she sees two more trucks. How many trucks did Meg see today total?



2. After school, Meg plays outside. She sees three more trucks. Now, how many trucks did she see today total?

