3.OA.8 Parent Helper

I CAN USE ADDITION, SUBTRACTION, MULTIPLICATION, AND DIVISION TO SOLVE 2 STEP WORD PROBLEMS.

Your child is learning to solve two step word problems using the four different operations.

Sample Problems:

Aaron has $4. Carrie has $6. Dominic has twice as much as Carrie. Write an equation that can help you figure out how much money they have altogether.

$4+6+(6x2)=$
$4+6+12=22$

Vocabulary Terms:
Addition/Subtraction
Multiplication/Division
Operation
Reasonable

Need more resources?

Video lessons explaining how to solve two-step word problems can be found at www.learnzillion.com by searching 3.oa.8.

Do a google search of "3.oa.8 word problems" to find many opportunities of practice for your child.

Helping my child:

This standard tends to be challenging for third graders. A great way to help your child with two step word problems is to draw pictures or act out what is happening in the problem. Discuss with your child what is happening and what operation would represent what is happening. If your child says the wrong operation, try it their way before correcting them. Ask them if the answer is reasonable and makes sense.

Challenging my child:

Is this standard easy for your child? Have your child write to explain how they solved their problem and how they knew which operation to use. Have your child write two step word problems for you to solve. Give your child the chance to be the teacher and show you how to solve their problem. You can even let your child make you a test to take. If you do this, get some wrong on purpose so your child can help teach you the right way to solve their problem.