

UNITS AND NUMBERS

FACT 1: A UNIT is what we count one at a time.



When we are counting fingers, then each finger is a unit.

When we are counting dimes, then each dime is a unit.

When we are counting chairs, each chair is a unit.

FACT 2: A number is how many units we have counted.



When we say, “eight fingers,” the unit is a FINGER and the number is EIGHT.

When we say, “four chairs,” the unit is a CHAIR and the number is FOUR.

When we say, “three ten-dollar bills,” the unit is a TEN-DOLLAR BILL and the number is THREE.

FACT 3: Only the same type of units can be counted together.

Fingers are counted together with other fingers.

Chairs are counted together with other chairs.

Cats are counted together with other cats.

1. What is the unit when you are counting pennies?
2. What is the unit when you are counting dogs?
3. Identify the unit and the number in the following.
(a) Eight Dollars (b) Three cups (c) Five houses

End of Lesson