



## Addition-by counting forward



**Teacher** : Salma, take these two seedlings and plant them in your garden.

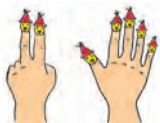
**Salma** : Sure, Ma'm, I already have 5 in my garden.

**Teacher** : Now, children, how many plants will there be in Salma's garden altogether ?

### How Rama counted



2 fingers + 5 fingers



### How Yash counted

5 fingers + 2 fingers



(Rama counted 1, 2, 3... on her fingers from 1 to 7 while Yash counted only two fingers, forward from 5, that is 6, 7.)

**Teacher** : Both got the same sum and both are right. But, whose addition was quicker?

**Yash** : Mine !

**Teacher** : Suppose we put together 9 sticks and 3 sticks in order to add them. What answer would we get?

**Rama** : The answer is 12. I counted from 1 to 12.



**Teacher** : But you get 12 even if you count 10, 11, 12 forward from 9. Here, knowing that we have 9 sticks, we counted serially only the extra sticks we got.

**Yash** : Even if we have 3 sticks and get 9 new sticks and we count forward from 3, we get the same answer 12. However, it is easier to count 3 forward from 9 than to counting 9 forward from 3 !

### Add by counting forward.

25 + 3,    5 + 38,    5 + 19,    4 + 23.



