## Student Probe

Ask students "What is $5+5$ ?"
Most students will readily say 10.
Then say, "So if $5+5$ is 10 then what is $6+5$ ?" Students who begin counting on their fingers do not know the relationships and need to engage in this lesson.

## Lesson Description

This lesson uses dot cards and ten frames to build understanding of the relationships of the numbers to 10 , that is, one more, one less, two more, two less, distance to 5 and distance to 10

## Rationale

After students have acquired a concept of cardinality and are able to count meaningfully, they are now ready to build on their understanding of the relationships between the numbers to 10 . They need to build a flexible understanding of number that does not require always counting.

## Preparation

Prepare the dot cards and ten frames. Have available for students: a blank 10 frame, 2 color-counters, paper and pencil or students' white boards and markers.

## At a Glance

What: Students will develop understanding of the distance between the numbers to 10 ; specifically, 1 more/ 1 less, 2 more/ 2 less, distance to 5 and distance to 10
Standard:
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Add and subtract within 20, demonstrating computational fluency for addition and subtraction within 10. Mathematical Practices:
SMP6: Attend to precision.
SMP7: Look for and make use of structure.
Who: Students who are "counting all" on their fingers or students who have some facts memorized but for others they count on their fingers suggests they do not understand the relationship of numbers.
Grade Level: 1
Prerequisite Vocabulary: more, less, ten frames, dot cards, right, left, corner, middle, arrangement Prerequisite Skills:
One-to-one correspondence, rote count numbers 1-20, subitizing
Delivery Format: individual, small group Lesson Length: 20 minute increments ongoing depending on the level of the students
Materials, Resources, Technology: ten frames, dot cards, blank 10 frame, blank paper, pencil or student white board and marker, two-color counters
Student Worksheets: Blank ten frame

## Lesson

| The teacher says or does... | Expect students to say or <br> do... | If students do not, then the <br> teacher says or does... |
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| 1. Choose a dot card that a <br> student knows well (for <br> example 5) |  | Have the child build the <br> arrangement with counters <br> (if using two-colored, make <br> sure the child only uses one |
| 3 seconds and then ask: <br> How many dots do you <br> see? |  | side or the other so color <br> does not interfere) <br> OR <br> Have the child draw the |
| arrangement. |  |  |


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| 4. Say: Now keep your eyes <br> closed. I want to you <br> take one of the dots <br> away. | Yes, I took one away |  |
| Did you do it? |  |  |
| How many dots are left <br> after you took one away? | There are now "4". | Repeat the dot card flash or <br> Refer to Visualizing Numbers <br> to Ten. |
| 5. Which one did you take <br> away in your mind? | I took away the one in the <br> middle. | If student has difficulty <br> explaining: <br> Ask: Was it in the middle? <br> Was it in the corner? <br> Which corner? Top right, top |
| left, bottom right, bottom |  |  |
| left......? (may need to |  |  |
| indicate with your hands |  |  |
| right and left). |  |  |


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| 9. Show another arrangement of 5 and repeat the process. For example the following card lends itself to taking the bottom left dot away. (a student make take away a different dot and that is fine) |  |  |
| 10. After repeating the same steps with the second card... <br> How is this dot card the same or different than the other dot card? | Student explains that both cards have 5 dots; the dots are just rearranged. | Have the student build both arrangements physically and then have him/her point out and describe how the arrangements are the same and different. Make sure the student understands that both card are 5. |
| 11. So if I have 5 dots or 5 apples or 5 chairs, and I take one away, will I always have 4 no matter what? | Yes, because 5 chairs take away 1 chair is 4 chairs. It doesn't matter how the chairs are arranged. | Act out the different scenarios and rearrange the objects until they are certain 5 dots take away 1 dot is ALWAYS 4 dots. |
| Why? <br> (Be sure to always include the units; for example, 4 dots minus 1 dot or 4 chairs minus 1 chairs, etc., with the numbers since 5-1 is not always 4; for example 5 quarters minus 1 dime does not equal 4. This will help with place value later.) |  |  |


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| Proceed in this same manner <br> with all numbers to 10 <br> asking, "What is one less?". <br> Once students are fluent with <br> this relationship, move to the <br> other ones. See below. |  |  |

## 1 More

Same process. It is always best to begin with a card that visually lends itself to adding one more such as:


## 2 Less/2 More

Materials: Dot Cards
This process will be just like 1 more/1 less except instead of choosing 5 to visualize, maybe choose 7 so the arrangement is easy to mentally take away 2

## Ten Frames (distance from 10 and 5)

Materials: Ten frame arrangements and template Use the same lesson format as with the dot cards.
Probe: Show a ten frame to the student:
Example:


Questions vary:
How many dots? How do you know? How far from 10? How do you know? OR How far from 5?

## Teacher Notes:

It is best to remain with one relationship before moving on to another one. You can interchange one more, one less easily, but have students become fluent with this before moving on to 2 more, 2 less etc. Having the students to visualize the dot arrangements in their mind will enable them to use these relationships to develop strategies such as doubles plus and minus one; making 10, etc. Students are now ready for the addition strategies/basic facts lesson. Twenty minutes is the suggested time period for an intervention lesson.

## Formative Assessment

Keep track of the number relationships for which students are fluent. Continue working with the students using these materials and questions until all relationships of the numbers to 10 are fluent; that is, continue until students are confident and explaining easily.

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