

Fact Family House

Designed to meet these objectives:

Math

- Students will develop proficiency with basic addition and subtraction facts.
- Students will understand and use the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction.

Your students will get plenty of practice building and using fact families with this fun, house-shaped pocket chart! Pre-printed cards make the chart easy to use, and built-in storage pockets keep everything neat and organized. The set includes 20 fact family cards, plus 56 number and operation cards. There are also blank cards so you can add more fact families if desired.

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Getting Started

The pocket chart is perfect for whole-class lessons, small groups, or as a learning center. Begin by selecting a fact family card, such as 3, 4, 7. Place it in the pocket at the top. Then, have students find four number cards for each of the numbers on the fact family card, plus two “+” cards, two “−” cards, and four “=” cards. Challenge students to put the cards in the chart to show two addition sentences and two subtraction sentences for this fact family. (In this example, the solutions would be $3 + 4 = 7$, $4 + 3 = 7$, $7 - 3 = 4$, and $7 - 4 = 3$.) Repeat with other fact families. (The set includes fact families up to 17; blank write & wipe cards are provided so that you can make additional fact families if desired.)

Storage tip: To help students find number cards quickly, store the numerals 0–4 in one zip-close bag and the numerals 5–9 in another zip-close bag. Place both bags in the storage pocket.

Note: Be sure to use only dry-erase markers on the write & wipe cards. To prevent ink from beading, prime the surface by drawing on it with a dry-erase marker, and then erase by rubbing vigorously with a dry textured cloth or paper towel. Repeat if necessary. Remember to wipe away any markings left on the cards before putting them away. Do not allow markings to remain overnight.