

Doing base 10 blocks for an addition problem while showing the standard algorithm (with exchanging):

- Set up the materials for the two addends
- Add the ones
- Say and do "Trade 10 ones for 1 ten"
- Say and write the new the 1's amount,
- Say and write "The ten goes with the other tens, so I write a 1 in the tens place"
- Add the tens
- Say and do "10 tens is the same as 1 hundred, so trade 10 tens for 1 hundred"
- Say and write the new the tens amount,
- Say and write "The hundred goes with the other hundreds, so I write a 1 in the hundreds place"
- Add and write the hundreds

Doing base 10 blocks for a subtraction problem while showing the standard algorithm (with exchanging):

- Set up the materials for the minuend
- Explain why you need to trade to solve the problem.
- Say and do "trade 1 ten for 10 ones"
- Say and write the new number of 10s and the new number of 1's
- Take away the ones. Say "I take away ___ from ___ and I have ___ left"
- Write the ones left
- Say and do "trade 1 hundred for 10 tens"
- Say and write the new number of hundreds and the new number of tens
- Take away tens from tens. Say "I take away ___ tens from ___ tens and I have ___ tens left"
- Write the number of tens left
- Take away hundreds from hundreds. Say "I take away ___ hundred from ___ hundred and I have ___ hundred left"
- Write the number of hundreds left