## Modeling Addition and

Example 1: Draw a model to add $2 \frac{5}{8}+2 \frac{1}{2}$.
Step 1 Rename the fractions as equivalent fractions with like denominators. $1 \frac{1}{2}=1 \frac{4}{8}$ Model each mixed number using fraction strips.


Step 2 Add the fractions. Regroup if you can.

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\begin{array}{r}
\frac{5}{8} \\
+\frac{4}{8} \\
\hline \frac{9}{8}=1 \frac{1}{8}
\end{array}
$$



Step 3 Add the whole numbers to the regrouped fractions. Write the sum. Simplify, if possible.

So, $2 \frac{5}{8}+2 \frac{4}{8}=5 \frac{1}{8}$.


Example 2: Draw a model to subtract $2 \frac{1}{5}-1 \frac{2}{5}$.

Step 1 Rename the fractions as equivalent fractions with like denominators. $1 \frac{6}{10}=1 \frac{3}{5}$ Model the number you are subtracting from, $2 \frac{1}{5}$.


Step 2 Rename $2 \frac{1}{5}$ as $1 \frac{6}{5}$. Cross out one whole and $\frac{3}{5}$ to show subtracting $\frac{3}{5}$.


Express the part of the model that is not crossed out as a fraction or mixed number. So, $2 \frac{1}{5}-1 \frac{6}{10}=\frac{3}{5}$.

Use fraction strips to find each sum or difference. Simplify, if possible.

1. $3 \frac{1}{2}+1 \frac{3}{4}$
2. $5 \frac{1}{3}+4 \frac{7}{8}$
3. $6 \frac{1}{4}+1 \frac{2}{3}$
4. $8 \frac{3}{4}+1 \frac{5}{6}$
5. $5 \frac{1}{3}-4 \frac{7}{8}$
6. $6-2 \frac{2}{3}$
7. $4 \frac{5}{6}-2 \frac{11}{12}$
8. $8 \frac{3}{4}-2 \frac{1}{6}$

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For 1 and 2, use each model to find each sum or difference.
Rename the fractions as equivalent fractions with like denominators.

1. $1 \frac{5}{8}+1 \frac{1}{2}$
$1 \frac{1}{2}=1 \frac{4}{8}$

2. $3 \frac{3}{5}-1 \frac{8}{10}$
$1 \frac{8}{10}=1 \frac{4}{5}$

Use fraction strips to find each sum or difference.
Simplify, if possible.
3. $4 \frac{1}{8}+3 \frac{1}{3}$
4. $10 \frac{3}{10}+9 \frac{4}{5}$
5. $4 \frac{2}{3}-2 \frac{1}{4}$
6. $6 \frac{3}{8}-2 \frac{1}{4}$
7. $5 \frac{1}{2}-1 \frac{1}{5}$
8. $3 \frac{2}{3}+4 \frac{1}{4}$
9. $6 \frac{2}{10}-3 \frac{1}{5}$
10. $5 \frac{1}{3}+4 \frac{1}{8}$
11. Isabella's rain gauge showed $3 \frac{4}{5}$ centimeters (cm) last Tuesday. This Tuesday, the rain gauge showed $5 \frac{7}{10}$ centimeters. How many more centimeters of rain fell during the week?
A $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~cm}$
B $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~cm}$
C $2 \frac{4}{5} \mathrm{~cm}$
D $1 \frac{9}{10} \mathrm{~cm}$
12. You are adding $6 \frac{3}{4}+3 \frac{2}{3}$ using fraction strips. Explain how you rename the fraction part of the sum.

