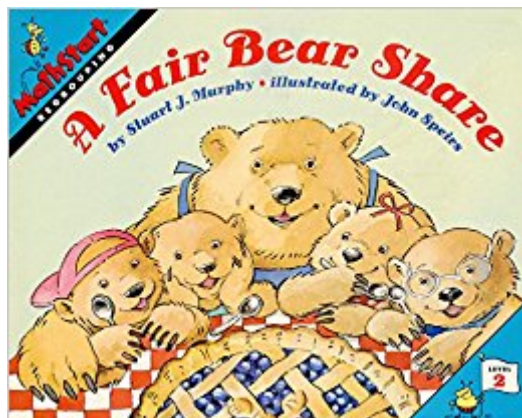


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# A Fair Bear Share (MathStart 2)



## Synopsis

Blue Ribbon Blueberry Pie. If the bear cubs gather enough nuts, seeds and blueberries, Mama Bear has agreed to make her special, lip-smacking-good pie. Each time they fill their baskets, the cubs count berries, seeds and nuts by putting them in groups of tens and ones to see if they have enough for pie. Everyday activities such as sharing a meal, sorting socks and getting ready for school can be part of learning math. In the MathStart Series, everyday life is the basis for each entertaining story. Simple math concepts are embedded in each story so that young children can intuitively understand them. Adults can use the creative suggestions for activities in the back of each book to extend learning opportunities with children. Developmentally appropriate and correlated to school grade levels and the curriculum standards of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, MathStart can give children a head start! Blue Ribbon Blueberry Pie is the best—but do these bear cubs have enough ingredients to bake one? Regrouping their berries, nuts, and seeds by tens and ones reveals that one cub has not done her fair bear share. John Speirs's irresistible bear cubs make this lesson in regrouping one children will enjoy. Blue Ribbon Blueberry Pie is the best—but do these bear cubs have enough ingredients to bake one? Regrouping their berries, nuts, and seeds by tens and ones reveals that one cub has not done her fair bear share. John Speirs's irresistible bear cubs make this lesson in regrouping one children will enjoy.

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Grade Level: 1 and up

## Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 2  
In this math lesson in story form, four bear cubs gather nuts, then blueberries, and finally seeds for their mother's Blue Ribbon Blueberry Pie. All of the contents of their baskets are then placed in sets of 10; because only three did their fair share of the work, a tally of the ingredients shows that there aren't enough for the pie. Then the fourth little cub runs to collect everything and a recount, again in sets of 10s, shows that there are now enough nuts, berries, and seeds for mother's dessert. Each will get a fair bear share. The addition problems are clearly shown. Each bear's items are shown in numeral, pictorial, and word form, although the final addition is just in numeral form. A two-page appendix gives suggestions of more things to count in everyday life such as cars, crayons, kitchen supplies, and even trees and dogs. This seems a bit heavy-handed for the story, yet too slim for those needing an explanatory math text and practice. It will serve caregivers and teachers who need to kickstart their common-sense teaching skills.  
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I like the book for my kids, so far we have read it once and they seemed to enjoy it. I like how it introduces the math concept of regrouping and arranging objects in the tens and ones groups. My oldest son (6 years old and autistic) is still having a little hard time understanding the regrouping but I think if we continue reading the book and actually use some kind of manipulatives he should be able to get the concept.

My daughter is using these to teach a preschool class at a school and they have been wonderful and incredibly useful. We bought a number of the books and each one is well done and interesting to the kids.

Awesome teaching tool! This book is also great to use for Accelerated Reading.

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Nice addition to my math stories.

Great math book

Wonderful !!

As an educator, I have found this book to be a really fun and successful review for students who are learning addition. As a parent, this book is simply a treat! The story is adorable, with a valuable lesson about teamwork. I enjoy using a base 10 set of manipulatives together with this book- it makes it possible for younger children to attempt to tackle the addition problems. Excellent read (and math tool) all around!

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