

THE WEIGHT OF PRIMATES

Episode 209: Blossom and Snappy Go to the Zoo, Part One
2nd Grade

Georgia Performance Standards

- M2N2a Correctly add and subtract two whole numbers up to three digits each with regrouping
- M2P1b The student will solve single step routine word problems related to all appropriate second grade math standards

Objectives

- The students will mathematically figure out how much more the gorilla weighs than the orangutan as well as the monkey.
- The students will mathematically figure out how much more the orangutan weighs than the monkey.
- The students will mathematically figure out how much two of the three animals weigh together as well as all three of them put together.

Materials

- TV/VCR or Computer/LCD Projector
- Video *Count On It!* 209
- Pencils and paper

Procedure

Opening

- Let students know that they will be viewing a video segment and that they will be listening for three pieces of information (the weights of the three primates).
- Pass out worksheets (included) for them to write down their findings.
- View *Count On It!* 209 clip “Primates” (VHS 4:38 – 8:18 – make sure you turn it off right after they give the weight of the third animal, because they do the math on the screen that you are asking your students to do).

Work time

- Students are to complete the questions on the rest of the worksheet (individually or in pairs – depending on your students).
- You walk around and monitor that they are using the correct operations (but do not tell them which ones to use – this is part of the task). Prompt them to use clues like the vocabulary (more than, together, and all together).

Closing

- Choose several students to show how they answered the questions.

Assessment

- Graded worksheet

- Teacher observation/documentation on student rubric used by your school/county during opening, work time, and closing (sample rubric can be found on our website)