UNIT 1: BASIC MATH TERMS

Have you ever taken a maths lesson in English? Do you know the right vocabulary to talk about mathematics?

Let's take a look at some basic math terms:

Plus or Add (+)

Two **plus** two is four. (2+2=4)
Five **add** five is ten. (5+5=10)

Minus, Subtract or Take Away (-)

Six **minus** two is four (6-2=4)
Ten **subtract** five is five (10-5=5) Nine take away eight is one (9-8=1)
Eight **take away three** is five (8-3=5)

Percent (%)

Twenty-five **percent** of eight is two.
The unemployment rate in the USA is six **percent**.

Decimal Point (.)

A number less than one that is written as one or more numbers after a decimal point:
10**.1**
4**.345**

Times or Multiply (x)

Three **times** three is nine (3x3=9)
Multiply five by five.
Four **multiplied by** two is eight (4x2=8)

Divide (÷)

Divide 8 by 2.
Ten **divided by** two is five (10÷2=5)

Equals or Is (=)

Five **plus** five equals ten (5+5=10)
Three times three **is** nine (3x3=9)

Now choose the missing maths vocabulary to complete these simple problems:

1) Ten _____ ten equals twenty.

is
minus
plus

2) Five ____ five is zero.

add
multiply
minus

3) Twenty ____ by five is four.

multiplied
take away
divided

4) Three ____ four is twelve.

add
times
minus

5) Six ___ two is eight.

minus
divided
add

6) Twelve ____ by four equals three.

add
divided
divide

7) Ten ____ of a hundred is ten.

percent
divide
subtract