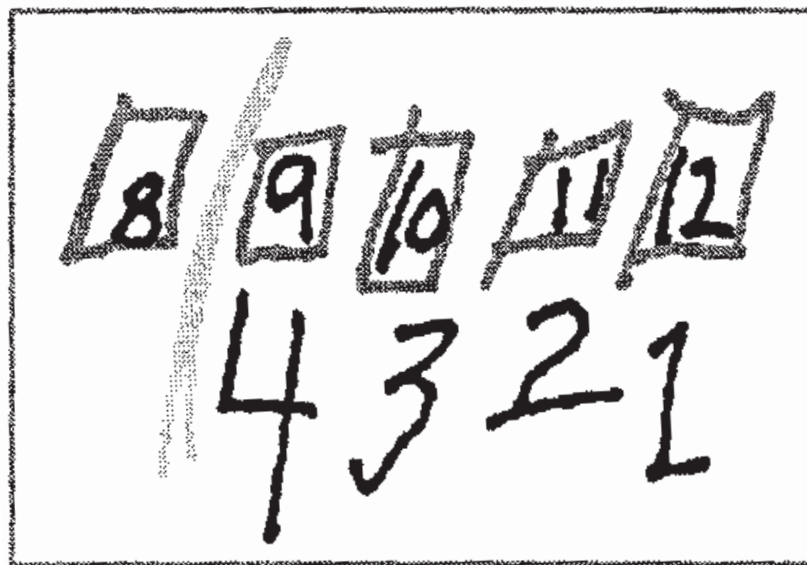


Three Approaches to Story Problems

Counting On or Counting Down:

Students begin with one quantity in the problem and either count up or down from that quantity and usually model the action of the problem.

Last night I picked up 12 pencils from the floor. I put 4 of the pencils in the pencil box. How many pencils did I have left in my hand?



Bruce's Work

Student work taken from Grade 1 unit: *Solving Story Problems*