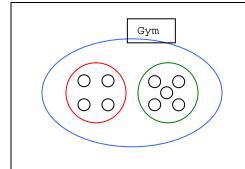
Models of Addition Word Problems

Easy Addition

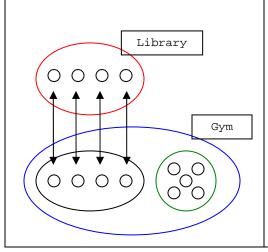
Easy Addition involves 2 sets of objects (in this case the set of boys and the set of girls) that are joined together (the set of children).



There are 4 boys (RED) and 5 girls (GREEN) in the gym. How many children altogether (BLUE) are in the gym?

Hard Addition

Hard Addition involves 2 sets of objects (the children in the library and the children in the gym) and the relationship between those two sets (there are 5 more children in the gym than in the library).



There are 4 children (RED) in the library. There are 5 more children (GREEN) in the gym than there are in the library. How many children (BLUE) are in the gym?