Addition and Subtraction of Times

Introduction

- We can add and subtract time just like numbers, but we must remember.
- 1 minute = 60 seconds
- 1 hour = 60 minutes
- While adding or subtracting time, if seconds or minutes go over 60, we convert them to the next unit.
- We write time in the format of hours: minutes: seconds.

Examples with Solutions

Example: Add 2 hours 45 minutes and 1 hour 30 minutes

- \checkmark 2 hours + 1 hour = 3 hours
- ✓ 45 minutes + 30 minutes = 75 minutes
- \checkmark 75 minutes = 1 hour 15 minutes
- ✓ Final Answer = 3 hours + 1 hour 15 minutes = 4 hours 15 minutes

Answer: 4 hours 15 minutes

Example: Subtract 5 hours 40 minutes from 8 hours 10 minutes

- ✓ Minutes: 10 40 is not possible, so borrow 1 hour
- \checkmark 8 hours becomes 7 hours and 10 + 60 = 70 minutes
- ✓ 70 40 = 30 minutes
- ✓ 7 5 = 2 hours

Answer: 2 hours 30 minutes

Example: Add 3 minutes 45 seconds and 2 minutes 50 seconds

- \checkmark 45 seconds + 50 seconds = 95 seconds
- ✓ 95 seconds = 1 minute 35 seconds
- ✓ 3 + 2 + 1 = 6 minutes
- Answer: 6 minutes 35 seconds

Example: Subtract 6 minutes 20 seconds from 9 minutes 15 seconds

✓ Seconds: 15 – 20 is not possible, so borrow 1 minute

- \checkmark 9 minutes becomes 8 minutes and 15 + 60 = 75 seconds
- ✓ 75 20 = 55 seconds
- ✓ 8 6 = 2 minutes

Answer: 2 minutes 55 seconds

Example: Add 1 hour 50 minutes 40 seconds and 2 hours 15 minutes 30 seconds

- \checkmark Seconds: 40 + 30 = 70 seconds = 1 minute 10 seconds
- ✓ **Minutes:** 50 + 15 + 1 = 66 minutes = 1 hour 6 minutes
- ✓ **Hours:** 1 + 2 + 1 = 4 hours

Answer: 4 hours 6 minutes 10 seconds

Summary Points

- Add and subtract hours, minutes, and seconds separately
- Convert minutes or seconds if they go over 60
- Always borrow 1 hour = 60 minutes or 1 minute = 60 seconds when needed
- Write final time in hours: minutes: seconds format
- Use step-by-step working to avoid mistakes