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Solving Word Problems with Three Addends

When solving word problems, you should always look for clue words. These words will help you determine the operation needed to solve the problem. Look at the word problems below, all of the problems have a clue to help you. Once you have found the clue words, underline the clue words and solve the problem.

Bill the farmer has 20 goats, 31 chickens, and 14 sheep. How many animals does Bill the farmer have all together?



Carla has 15 brown hair ties, 12 black hair ties, and 21 white hair ties. How many hair ties does Carla have all together?

John played 3 basketball games. In the first game he scored 33 points. In the second game he scored 34 points. In the third game he scored 17 points. How many points did John score all together?



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Answer Key

Solve the word problems:

Bill the farmer has 20 goats, 31 chickens, and 14 sheep. How many animals does Bill the farmer have all together?

$20 + 31 + 14 = 65$ Bill the farmer has 65 animals all together.

Carla has 15 brown hair ties, 12 black hair ties, and 21 white hair ties. How many hair ties does Carla have all together?

$15 + 12 + 21 = 48$ Carla has 48 hair ties all together.

John played 3 basketball games. In the first game he scored 33 points. In the second game he scored 34 points. In the third game he scored 17 points. How many points did John score all together?

$33 + 34 + 17 = 84$ John scored 84 points all together.

