

Compare by Counting

Count each collection of like items, then compare the totals to say — and justify — which has more, which has fewer, or whether they are the same.

Count each group, then compare the totals



6

more

$6 > 4$



4

6 is more than 4 — the bigger number tells us which group has more.

Words to compare collections

more

the bigger number of items

fewer

the smaller number of items

the same

an equal number of items

Counter grab

Grab two handfuls, count each and say which has more.

Line them up

Line two sets side by side, count and compare the totals.

Sort and compare

Sort like objects into piles, count and name the largest.