

## Adding It Up-Other Numbers

The numbers we use today are based on the Arabic numbers. Look at the chart below to see how the numbers changed over 1,000 years.

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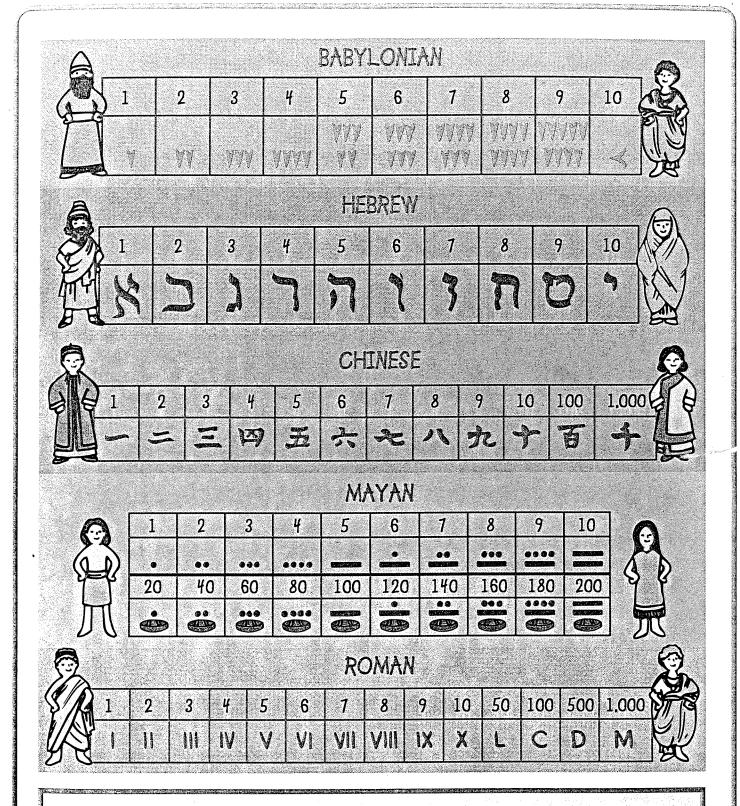
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Everyone doesn't write numbers the same way we do. Take a look at these different number systems.

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## Try this:

- Make up your own system. Can you think of a new way to write numbers?
  Write out the numbers 1 through 20, 50, 100, and 1000.
- Try writing out some different math problems using one of the other writing systems.