

## Math Riddles

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**Harriet Ziefert : Math Riddles** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Math Riddles:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. For Beginning Readers with more advanced math skillsBy R. Miller"Why is it dangerous to do math in the jungle?" "If you add 4 and 4, you get 8 (ate)." Large print and simple sentences make this perfect for beginning readers who are advancing their math and logic skills. Some questions require math skills, others attention to detail, and some are just for fun. Answers are right on the page (occasionally immediately beneath the question), so this may be frustrating to accomplished readers who would actually like a moment to try to guess the answer for themselves. As other reviewer noted, be ready to hear some of the jokes ad naseum! 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. American MathBy A CustomerRemember the old gags like "which weighs more-a pound of X or a pound of Y?" Well, there are lots of those kind of riddles in this book. The publisher recommends this book for kids aged 6-9 and I would be reluctant to recommend it for younger readers as kids need a basic understanding of money, weights, measurements.... Of course you may regret buying this book because you know what kids are like with jokes--you could be hearing the same ones over and over and over...

A collection of riddles which introduce basic math concepts and numbers.

From School Library JournalGrade 2-4?Ziefert provides a combination of logic, word play, and humor to introduce basic concepts. Short, easy-to-read sentences are accompanied by visual clues in the form of colorful cartoons. The

funny riddles are just right for reading aloud or for sharing with a friend. Teachers might find them useful as a math lesson warm-up, or for filling in "wait time" between activities. Whole language classrooms will find this series entry a good way to integrate math and reading. Eunice Weech, M. L. King Elementary School, Urbana, IL Copyright 1997 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Booklist Gr. 1<sup>^</sup>-3. Riddles and easy readers make an excellent team, because no one has greater appreciation for a funny riddle than the six-or seven-year-old child. Old favorites are here: "Which weighs more--a pound of lead or a pound of feathers?" Ziefert also includes some that may even get a chuckle from a grown-up: "If there were 9 cats in a boat and 1 jumped out, how many would be left? None. They're copycats!" The illustrations are comical if rather muddy; it's the brief text and enticing subject that make this a great choice for balky readers who have a hard time finishing a book. Susan Dove Lempke