
Common Pre-Algebra Mistakes

Example: Addition

The Goal

Compute:

$$625 + 196 + 4$$

The Mistake

$$625 + 196 + 4 = 725$$

Need a hint? Look carefully at the red part of the algebra:

$$625 + 196 + 4 = 725$$

The Correction

$$625 + 196 + 4 = 825$$

An Explanation

Take time to get the simple calculations right. Adding 196 to 4 gives 200, which added to 625 gives 825.