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Mastering Addition: The Art of Combining Numbers

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Aligning the numbers vertically helps you add the digits in the correct columns, making the process easier and more organized.
2. Carrying over ensures that the sum of each column is less than ten, making it easier to write down the final result without confusion.
3. Yes, when calculating the total cost of items at the grocery store or adding up scores in a game.
4. Addition is fundamental because it is used in everyday life and forms the basis for more complex mathematical operations.

