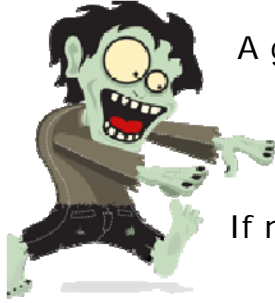


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A Monster Strategy for Comparisons



A good strategy to follow when comparing numbers is to ask:

1. Are the numbers equal? If they are put the = symbol.

If not, move on to #2.

2. Which number is smaller? Point the arrow toward it.

Let's put that strategy to work for us:

a) 92 and 45

Are they equal? **NO**

Which number is smaller? **45**

Point the arrow to 45: **92 > 45**

92 is greater than 45

b) 54 and 86

Are they equal? **NO**

Which number is smaller? **54**

Point the arrow to 54: **54 < 86**

54 is less than 86

c) 50 and 50

Are they equal? **YES**

Use the equal symbol.

50 is equal to 50

$50 = 50$

