## Rock Sums

Did You Know? Larger rocks can break into stones over time. Rain, wind, and ice can make rocks crumble and break apart.
(1) Jessica and Milton are collecting stones on a hike. Milton collects 27 stones. Jessica collects 18 stones. How many stones do they collect in all?

Use compensation to solve the problem.

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\begin{aligned}
27+18 & =\square \\
+ & =\quad \text { stones }
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(2) Model how you used compensation to solve the problem in Item I. Draw a picture of place-value blocks for each addend. Then use your drawing and words to explain your thinking.
(3) Extension Write your own word problem about collecting stones. Then use compensation to solve.
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