

New Math

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The answers to the "addend" clues can be paired to make charades for the "sum" clues, such as DISC+LOSE=DISCLOSE. Taking the indicated letter from each addend and sum, and ordering by sum clue, (as the addend clues are alphabetized) spells the phrases BUTTER SERVING, MIGRATORY BIRD, and REPEATED MOTIF. This clues one final charade, PAT+TERN=**PATTERN**, which is the answer.

Addends		Sums	
Attempts (2)	TRIES	Microsoft CEO Steve (7)	B ALL+ M ER=BALLME R
Citrus fruit (2)	LIME	Transcendent (7)	SUB+LIME=SUBLIME
Communist (1)	RED	Coming to a point (3)	TAPE+RING=TAPERING
Extension for some image files (1)	G IF	Was important (5)	MAT T E+ R ED=MATT E RED
Finish line marker (1)	T APE	To the side (2)	LAT E +R A LLY=L A TERALLY
Formal dance (1)	B ALL	Art conservator's task (4)	REST+ORATION=RESTORATION
Goat-legged god (3)	PA N	Reveal (8)	DI S C+L O SE=DISCLOS E
Harmful microbe (3)	GE R M	Imperil (3)	END+ANGER=ENDANGER
It can follow multiplication or kitchen (3)	TA B LE	2010 World Cup semifinalist (4)	GE R M+AN Y =GER M ANY
La (Debussy tone poem) (1)	MER	Worthy of desire (2)	COVE+TABLE=COVETABLE
Large sandwich (2)	SUB	Courtroom figure (6)	PLAIN+TIFF=PLAINTIFF
Misplace (2)	L O SE	Storerooms (6)	PAN+TRIES=PANTRIES
Mount a comeback (2)	R A LLY	Talented (3)	G IF+TE D =GI F TED
Not glossy (4)	MAT T E		
One or more (3)	ANY		
Phonograph record (3)	DI S C		
Rage (5)	ANGE R		
Repose (1)	REST		
Sheltered inlet (3)	COVE		
Slugger Williams (3)	TE D		
Spat (2)	TIFF		
Speech (4)	ORATION		
Tardy (4)	LAT E		
Terminus (1)	END		
Unadorned (4)	PLAIN		
Wedding symbol (4)	RIN G		