Teacher notes

This practical activity can be completed individually or with partners.
Children will select two calculation cards (either two of the same sign or alternating signs). They will then compare the number sentences.
Children will use the Comparing Number Sentence sheet to structure their comparison. As an extension, children can list each comparison in their book.

| DEVELOPING | ★ ☆ ☆ | Children will compare calculations with numbers up to 10 using 'more than', 'less than' and 'equal to'. They will calculate the answer for each calculation. Concrete manipulatives such as ten frames may be used. |

| SECURE | ★ ★ ☆ | Children will compare calculations with numbers up to 20 using inequality signs. They will calculate the answer for each calculation. Concrete manipulatives such as ten frames may be used. |

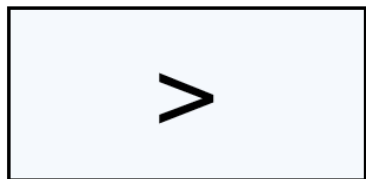| MASTERY | ★ ★ ★ | Children will compare calculations with numbers up to 20 using inequality signs. They will calculate the answer and inverse for calculations. They will also and create their own calculations. |

Example:

Comparing Number Sentences

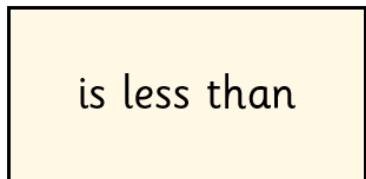Select two number sentences. Then choose the correct comparison card to compare them.
Extension: List each of your comparisons in your book.

| 3 + 6 | > | 5 + 2 |
| 5 - 2 | is less than | 9 - 1 |

Comparing Number Sentences

Select two number sentences. Choose the correct comparison card to compare them.
Extension: List each of your comparisons in your book.

3 + 6	2 + 5	4 + 3	2 + 3
9 + 1	6 + 3	8 + 2	5 + 2
5 + 4	4 + 2	7 + 2	3 + 5
1 + 8	7 + 1	1 + 6	6 + 2

Subtraction cards

9 - 4	8 - 6	8 - 4	10 - 4
7 - 4	9 - 7	10 - 9	7 - 5
10 - 2	5 - 4	9 - 3	10 - 7
5 - 2	9 - 1	8 - 3	6 - 3

Addition cards

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6 + 13	8 + 5	4 + 13	2 + 14
9 + 6	6 + 8	2 + 7	9 + 8
5 + 7	4 + 9	5 + 10	4 + 5
2 + 11	7 + 6	3 + 9	3 + 6

13 - 4	18 - 10	12 - 7	14 - 9
17 - 8	15 - 9	11 - 9	15 - 6
16 - 9	12 - 5	17 - 9	11 - 7
15 - 7	19 - 10	13 - 8	14 - 6

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9 + ___	___ + 6	___ + ___	___ + 8
7 + 12	4 + 9	5 + 13	9 + 6
5 + 9	7 + ___	11 + ___	6 + 5
___ + ___	6 + 11	9 + 8	___ + 4

Subtraction cards ★★★

14 - ___	18 - 10	___ - ___	12 - 7
13 - 4	___ - ___	14 - 6	___ - 7
11 - ___	17 - ___	___ - 8	14 - 9
15 - 7	19 - 10	13 - 8	___ - 4

Comparison cards

is more than	is less than	is equal to
>	**<**	**=**