Carla’s teacher picked the numbers 2, 7, 5 and 8. She asked her second graders to arrange these numbers in the spaces below and then add them. She wanted to see who could arrange the numbers to make the largest sum.

- How should Carla arrange the numbers to get the largest sum? Write the numbers 2, 7, 5 and 8 in the boxes below and then find the sum.

- Explain how you know this is the best way for Carla to arrange the numbers to get the largest sum.