

Word Problems, No Problem

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GRADE

1 + 2 = 3

Katie has 2 candy canes and Mark has 4 candy canes.

4

How many candy canes are there in total?

6

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Draw & Add $+$

Read the questions below and draw the pictures. Then count your pictures to find the answer.

Billy has 1 pencil and Mark has 4 pencils. How many pencils are there in total?

1 $+$ $=$

Abi has 2 cars and Jena has 3 cars. How many cars are there in total?

$+$ $=$

Steve has 5 erasers and Sonia has 3 erasers. How many erasers are there in total?

$+$ $=$



Draw & Add $+$ $+$ $+$

Read the questions below and draw the pictures. Then count your pictures to find the answer.

Dave has 6 balls and Mike has 3 balls. How many balls are there in total?

A visual equation for the problem: Dave has 6 balls and Mike has 3 balls. How many balls are there in total?

The equation is represented by three boxes connected by a plus sign and an equals sign. The first box contains 6 circles and the number 6. The second box is empty. The third box is empty.

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Sunny has 8 dogs and George has 2 dogs. How many dogs are there in total?

A visual equation for the problem: Sunny has 8 dogs and George has 2 dogs. How many dogs are there in total?

The equation is represented by three empty boxes connected by a plus sign and an equals sign.

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Roy has 7 bats and Tim has 2 bats. How many bats are there in total?

A visual equation for the problem: Roy has 7 bats and Tim has 2 bats. How many bats are there in total?

The equation is represented by three empty boxes connected by a plus sign and an equals sign.

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Garden Addition

Read each problem. Write out the number equation and add to find the solution.

Jenna planted 8  .
Amy gave her 5 more  .

How many  are there in all?

_____ + _____ = _____

Howie planted 6  .
Then he planted 4  more.

How many  did he plant in all?

_____ + _____ = _____

Gracie bought 3  .
Then Robby gave her 7  more.

How many  does she have in all?

_____ + _____ = _____

Jack has 9  .
His mom gave him 3  more.

How many  does he have in all?

_____ + _____ = _____

Candy Subtraction Charm

Read each problem. Subtract to find the solution. Write your answer in the space provided.

I bought 11  .

I gave 5  to my brother.

How many  do I have now?

You have 8  .

You and your friend ate 3  .

How many  do you have now?

I have 10  .

I ate 8  .

How many  are left?

You have 12  .

You share 6  with your mom.

How many  are there now?

Solve the Story Problems

Read each story problem and solve.

There are 5 apples.
There are 4 grapes.
How many fruits are there in all?

_____ fruits

There are 7 bananas.
You buy 2 bananas.
How many bananas are left over?

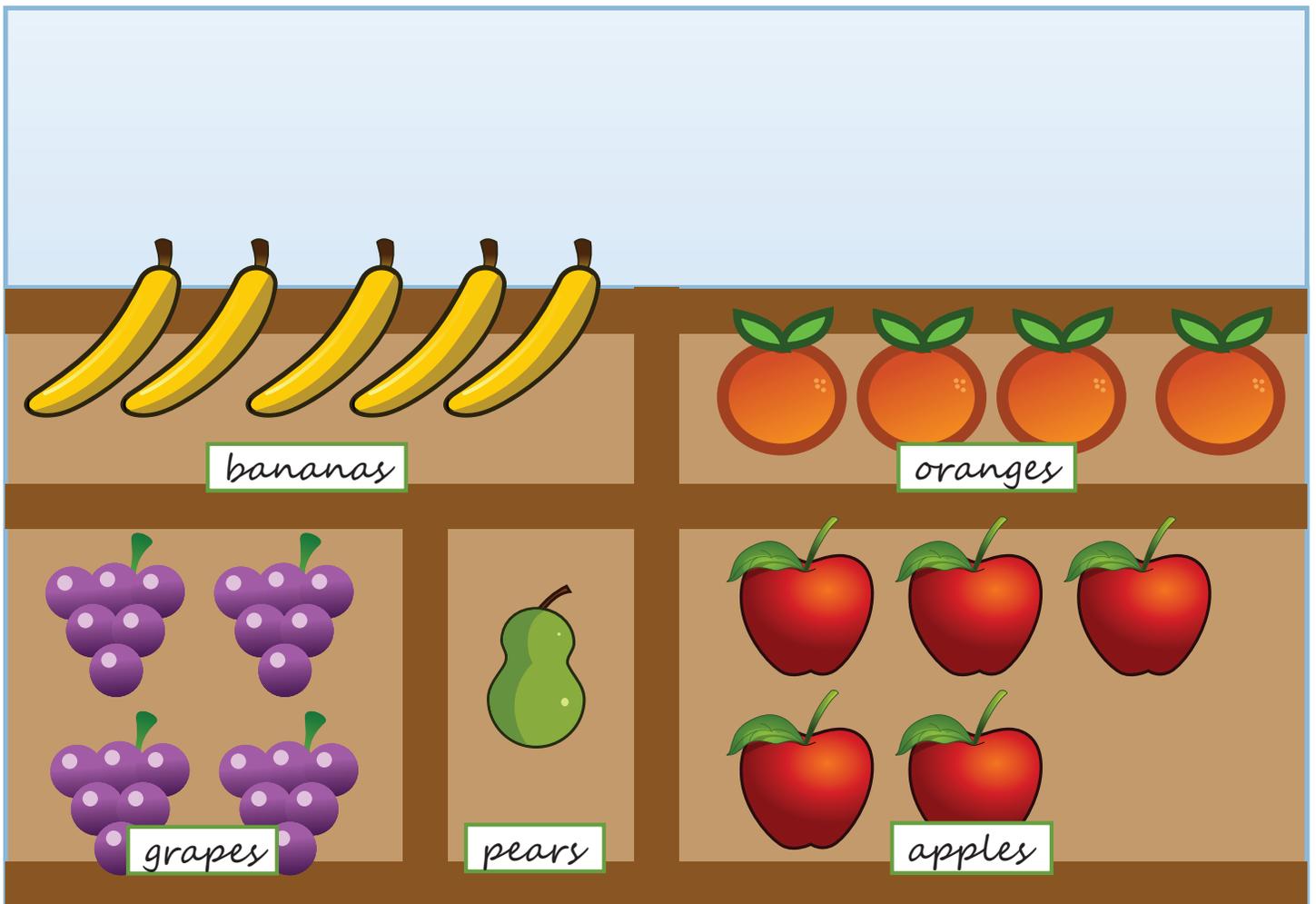
_____ bananas

There were 9 oranges,
but 5 fell to the ground.
How many oranges are left?

_____ oranges

There were 3 pears,
but you bought 2 of them.
How many pears are left in the stand?

_____ pears



Number Stories Addition

Read the number stories below. Use the orange box next to each problem to show your work. Use pictures, words, and/or numbers to find a solution.

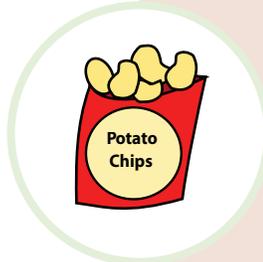
Danny had 5 toy cars. He got 8 more toy cars for his birthday. How many does he have now?



Emily found 4 acorns in the park yesterday. She found another 12 acorns today. How many does she have now?



Jake ate 6 chips at snack. Lisa ate 10 chips at snack. How many chips did the kids eat?



Jill walked 4 blocks to the library yesterday. She also walked 7 blocks to the grocery store. How many blocks did Jill walk?



Robert did 12 sit-ups in PE class. Luke did 9 sit-ups. How many sit-ups did the boys do altogether?



Number Stories Subtraction

Read the number stories below. Use the orange box next to each problem to show your work. Use pictures, words, and/or numbers to find a solution.

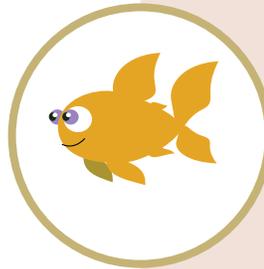
Paul had 17 dollars saved up. He spent 6 dollars on a new toy. How much money does he have left?



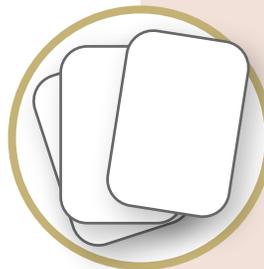
Anna baked 12 cookies. Her brother ate 6 of them. How many cookies are left?



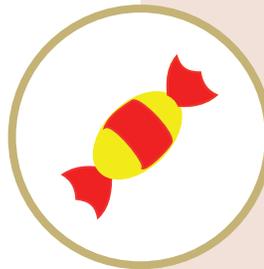
Nancy has 15 goldfish in her aquarium. Billy has 9 goldfish in his aquarium. How many **more** goldfish does Nancy have?



Greg had 25 baseball cards. He gave 4 of his cards away to his friend. How many baseball cards does he have left?

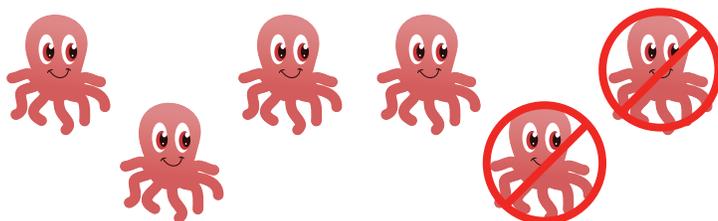
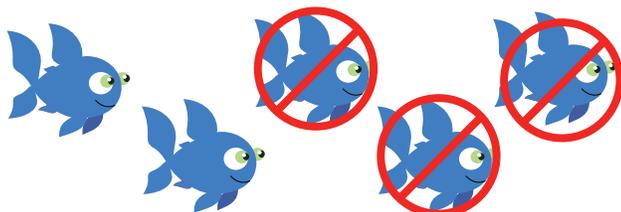
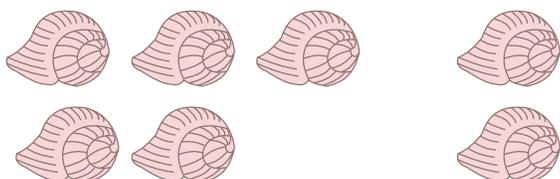
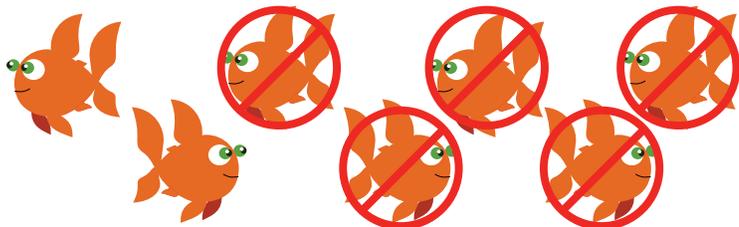


Pete collected 36 pieces of Halloween candy. He gave 12 pieces to his brother. How many pieces of candy are left?



Number Jumble

This math homework is mixed up. Can you match each number sentence to the correct picture equation?



$6 - 2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$2 + 3 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$4 + 2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$5 - 3 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$5 + 2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$7 - 5 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$



Draw & Add

challenge

Read the questions below and draw the pictures. Then count your pictures to find the answer.

Kilee has 4 blocks and Tamia has 6 blocks. How many blocks are there in total?

Diagram for Kilee and Tamia's blocks:

A light blue box contains 4 small squares arranged in a 2x2 grid. Below it is an orange box with the number 4 written in black. To the right is a purple circle with a plus sign (+). Next is another light blue box, empty, with an orange box below it. To the right is a purple circle with an equals sign (=). Next is a light green box, empty, with an orange box below it.

Tina has 6 markers and Chuck has 9 markers. How many markers are there in total?

Diagram for Tina and Chuck's markers:

A light blue box, empty, with an orange box below it. To the right is a purple circle with a plus sign (+). Next is another light blue box, empty, with an orange box below it. To the right is a purple circle with an equals sign (=). Next is a light green box, empty, with an orange box below it.

Shane has 2 books and Lisa has 12 books. How many books are there in total?

Diagram for Shane and Lisa's books:

A light blue box, empty, with an orange box below it. To the right is a purple circle with a plus sign (+). Next is another light blue box, empty, with an orange box below it. To the right is a purple circle with an equals sign (=). Next is a light green box, empty, with an orange box below it.

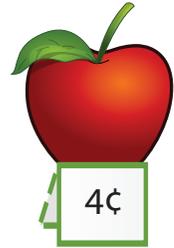
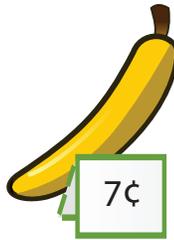
Roy has 11 robots and Remy has 8 robots. How many robots are there in total?

Diagram for Roy and Remy's robots:

A light blue box, empty, with an orange box below it. To the right is a purple circle with a plus sign (+). Next is another light blue box, empty, with an orange box below it. To the right is a purple circle with an equals sign (=). Next is a light green box, empty, with an orange box below it.

At the Grocery Store

Solve each problem by using the grocery store to fill in the equations.



Mimi has 10¢. She bought a banana and a pear. How much does she have left?

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ and } 10 - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Trudy bought 1 carrot and a apple. How much did she spend?

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Thomas has 8¢. He bought a banana. How much does he have left?

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Coy bought an orange and celery. How much did he spend?

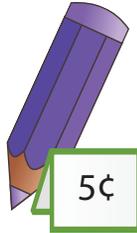
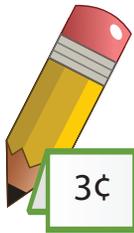
$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Ben has 12¢. He bought an apple. How much does he have left?

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

At the Art Store

Solve each problem by using the store to fill in the equations.



Tia bought 3 markers. How much did she spend?

$$\text{-----} + \text{-----} + \text{-----} = \text{-----}$$

Sharon has 20¢. She bought 1 paint brush and 1 pen. How much does she have left?

$$\text{-----} + \text{-----} = \text{-----} \text{ and } 20 - \text{-----} = \text{-----}$$

Frankie bought 2 paint tubes. How much did he spend?

$$\text{-----} + \text{-----} = \text{-----}$$

Rocky has 17¢. He bought 4 pencils. How much does he have left?

$$\text{-----} + \text{-----} + \text{-----} + \text{-----} = \text{-----} \text{ and } 17 - \text{-----} = \text{-----}$$

Rachel bought 1 marker and 1 tube of paint. How much did she spend?

$$\text{-----} + \text{-----} = \text{-----}$$



Draw & Add

challenge

Read the questions below and draw the pictures. Then count your pictures to find the answer.

Amy has 3 stars and Ann has 8 stars. How many stars are there in total?

3 + =

Paul has 7 bricks and Dan has 6 bricks. How many bricks are there in total?

+ =

Mia has 5 jacks and Suzy has 9 jacks. How many jacks are there in total?

+ =

Mike has 3 cards and Lily has 10 cards. How many cards are there in total?

+ =

Solve the Story Problems

Read each story problem and solve.

There are 3 blue fish.
There are 3 green fish.
How many fish are there in all?

_____ fish

There are 2 orange fish.
4 yellow fish join them.
How many fish are there in all?

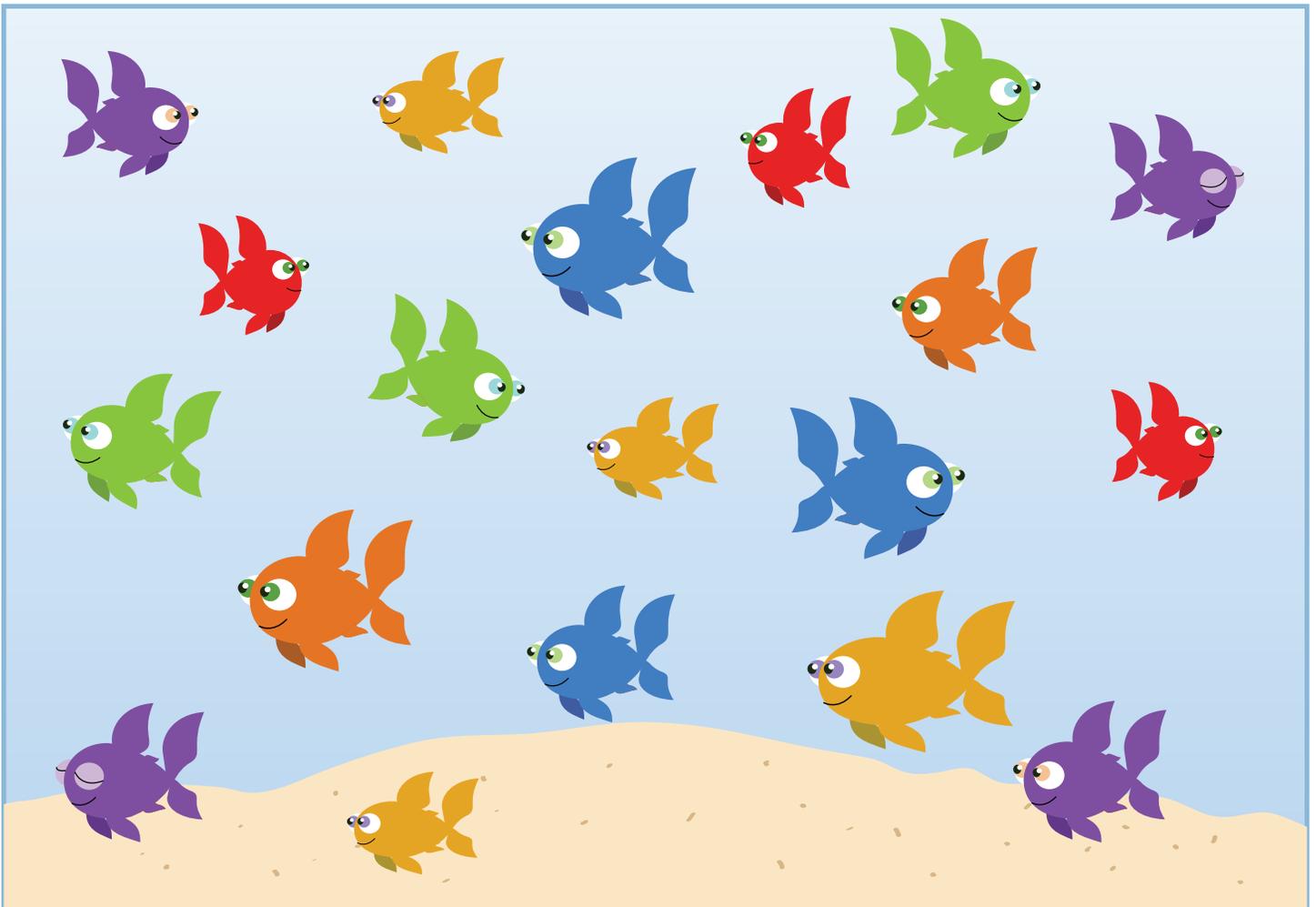
_____ fish

There were 6 purple fish,
but 2 purple fish swam away.
How many purple fish are left ?

_____ purple fish

There were 8 red fish,
but 5 red fish hid in the sand.
How many red fish are left?

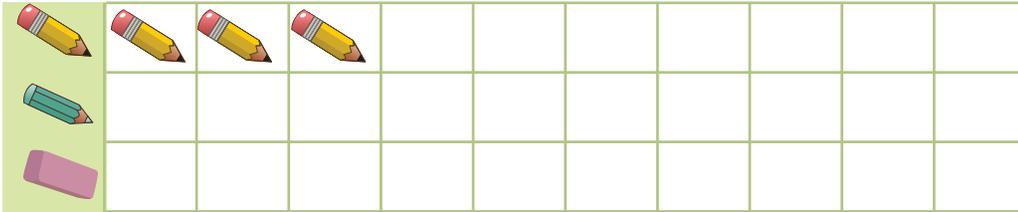
_____ red fish



At School

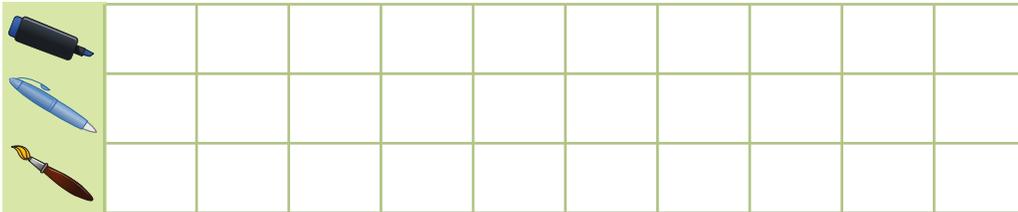
Read each problem. Use the picture graph to help you answer the questions.

Ben has 3 pencils, 5 crayons and 1 eraser. How many does he have in all?



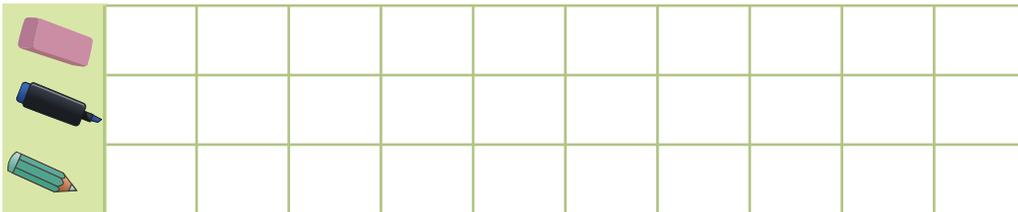
_____ supplies

Jenny has 2 markers, 3 pens and 6 paint brushes. How many does she have in all?



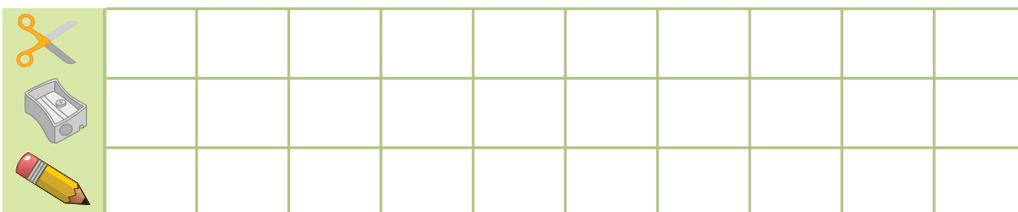
_____ supplies

Robbie has 3 erasers, 4 markers and 5 colored pencils. How many does he have in all?



_____ supplies

Tina has 4 scissors, 5 sharpeners and 3 pencils. How many does she have in all?



_____ supplies



Mimi's Fabulous Music Shop

There's a sale going on at Mimi's Fabulous Music Shop!
Use addition or subtraction to solve the word problems.
Show your work.

Mrs. Jensen bought 5 tambourines, 2 kazoos, and 4 recorder flutes for her class. How many instruments did Mrs. Jensen buy in all?

_____ instruments

There are 20 guitar picks in a sale bin. At the end of the day there are only 5 left. How many were sold?

_____ guitar picks

Jackson the drummer needs new sticks! He spends \$2 on regular drum sticks, \$5 on a mallet, and \$10 on brushes. How much money does he spend in all?

\$ _____

9 people came into the store. The first person bought 12 guitar strings and left. 3 more people left after they each bought a tuner. How many people are left? How many items were bought?

CHALLENGE

_____ items



Fresh Fruit Salad Anyone?



Directions: Use addition to solve the word problems below.

Tommy made a fruit salad for the neighborhood block party. He put 5 grapes in a bowl. He added 6 pieces of watermelon and 3 strawberries. Finally, Tommy added 4 slices of banana.

How many pieces of fruit did Tommy use to make his fruit salad for the party?

Jane made a different version of fruit salad for the party. She used 12 melon balls and 8 slices of orange. She also put 14 blueberries into the bowl before mixing it all up.

How many pieces of fruit did Jane use all together?

Kim's mom had also prepared a fruit salad for the party. She put in lots and lots of raspberries because Kim LOVES raspberries. There were already 16 raspberries in the salad but Kim wanted more so she added 9 more.

How many raspberries did Kim end up with in her mom's fruit salad?

If you were going to this party and had to bring your own fruit salad, what would you mix together? Choose at least 3 different types of fruit and create your own fruit salad word problem in the space below!



Pizza Party



Quinn is celebrating his birthday with a pizza party! Help him order the correct amount of pizza by solving the word problems below. You will need to either add or subtract to find a solution.

***Hint: One whole pizza = 8 slices*

Quinn knows that 11 of his birthday guests will want to eat a slice of pepperoni pizza at his party but one whole pizza will not be enough. How many more pepperoni slices will he need to feed everyone?

Quinn has 5 friends who only like cheese pizza. If he orders one full cheese pizza for his party, and each friend eats one piece, how many extra cheese slices will be left over?

Quinn's parents only like veggies on their pizza. If they each eat 2 slices of the veggie pizza at the party, how many veggie slices will be left over?

CHALLENGE:

Quinn's big brother Leo will be at the party too. He is bringing 4 friends. Leo and his friends like pizza with EVERYTHING on it! They can also eat more than one slice... If Leo and his friends each plan to eat 3 slices, how many whole EVERYTHING pizzas does Quinn need to buy?



How Does Your Garden Grow?



Read each number story below. You will need to either add or subtract to find the answer. Use the empty space to show your work using pictures, words or numbers.

Susie planted 5 tulips, 7 daisies, and 4 roses in her garden. How many flowers did she plant all together?

Tim picked 3 whole watermelons and 15 strawberries from his garden on Sunday. How many pieces of fruit did Tim pick all together?

Larry planted 25 green peppers in his garden but only 17 of them were ripe enough to pick. How many green peppers were left in the garden?

On Thursday, Kate picked 12 tomatoes and 9 cucumbers from her garden. On Saturday, she picked 7 more tomatoes and 3 more cucumbers.

How many tomatoes did Kate pick all together?

How many cucumbers did Kate pick all together?

Which vegetable did Kate pick more of?

How many more?

Challenge:

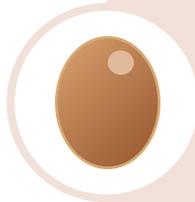
On which day did Kate pick fewer vegetables?

How many fewer vegetables did she pick that day?

Word Problem Challenge

Write an addition or subtraction sentence for each word problem.
Solve the problem.

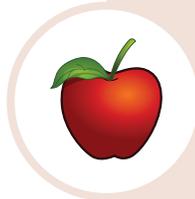
Farmer Green gathered 36 eggs from his chickens. His wife used 8 of them to make breakfast. How many eggs did Farmer Green have left?



There are 42 sheep grazing in Farmer Green's pasture. Each sheep has 1 lamb. How many sheep and lambs are in the pasture in all?



Farmer Green needs 100 apple trees for his orchard. He has 53 apple trees now. How many apple trees does he need to buy?



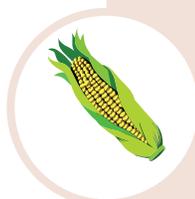
Mrs. Green brought 75 jars of home-made jam to the farmer's market. She sold 49 jars. How many jars did she have left?



Farmer Green has 22 brown cows, 16 black cows, and 4 tan cows. How many cows does he have in all?



Farmer Green planted 18 rows of corn before lunch. He planted 31 more rows after lunch. How many rows of corn did he plant that day?



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