



# Let's talk it out: word problems with subtraction

Choose the equation that matches the word problem.

I have 8 cupcakes. I gave my friends 4. How many cupcakes do I have left?

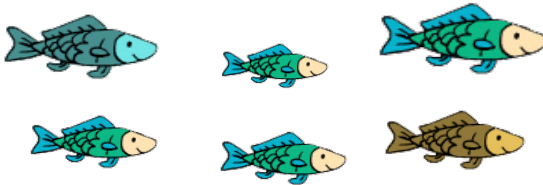


$$8 + 4 = 12$$

or

$$8 - 4 = 4$$

There are 6 fish. 2 have sailed. How many fish are left?

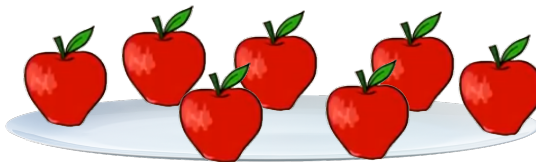


$$6 - 2 = 4$$

or

$$6 + 2 = 8$$

There are 7 apples. 3 apples are eaten. How many apples are left?

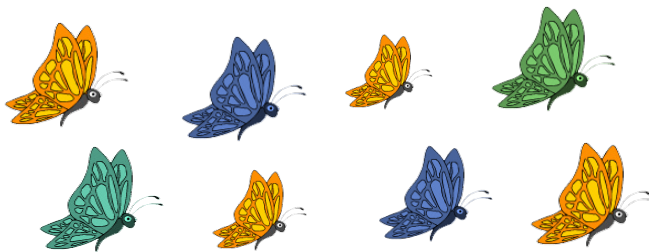


$$7 + 3 = 10$$

or

$$7 - 3 = 4$$

There are 8 butterflies. 5 have flown away. How many butterflies are left?



$$8 - 5 = 3$$

or

$$8 + 5 = 13$$

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**Write an equation for the following word problem:**

There are 10 hot air balloons . 5 have flew off. How many hot air balloons are left?

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A large, empty rectangular box with a wavy orange border, intended for drawing a picture related to the word problem.

Draw a picture



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