Subtraction Word Problems

Aim: I can solve subtraction word problems.

1. A shop has 76 pairs of socks. 33 pairs are white sport socks. How many other pairs are there?

   43 pairs are there.

2. There are 189 children in a school. 114 are in Key Stage 2, the rest are in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. How many children are in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 altogether?

   75 children.

3. There are 115 pencils in the cupboard. 82 are given out to the children. How many are left in the cupboard?

   33 pencils.

4. Edward buys a drink for 82p. He pays with a £1 coin. What change does he receive?

   18p.

5. A flower market has 132 tulips. A florist buys 80 tulips. How many are left?

   52 tulips.

6. A sweet shop has 127 boiled sweets in a jar. One jar containing 64 sweets is sold. How many are left?

   63 sweets.

7. A farmer has 184 cows. He takes 97 to a new field. How many are left behind?

   87 cows.

8. A school has a target of raising £175 for a local charity. So far they have raised £110. How much more is there to raise to reach the target?

   £65.
9. A teacher counts all the Maths exercise books that her class has used during the year and finds that there are 137 in total. 96 are completed books. How many incomplete books are there?

10. A school prints 282 letters for parents. 93 letters are given out on Thursday and the rest on Friday. How many letters are given out on Friday?
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9. A teacher counts all the Maths exercise books that her class has used during the year and finds that there are 137 in total. 96 are completed books. How many incomplete books are there? 41

10. A school prints 282 letters for parents. 93 letters are given out on Thursday and the rest on Friday. How many letters are given out on Friday? 189
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1. A shop has 176 pairs of socks. 87 pairs are white sport socks. How many other pairs are there?

2. There are 289 children in a school. 154 are in Key Stage 2, the rest are in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. How many children are in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 altogether?

3. There are 315 pencils in the school store cupboard. 178 are given out to some teachers. How many are left in the store cupboard?

4. Edward buys a drink and a packet of crisps for £1.45. He pays with a £2 coin. What change does he receive?

5. A flower market has 432 tulips. A florist buys 155 tulips. How many are left?

6. A sweet shop has 523 boiled sweets in jars. One jar containing 164 sweets is sold. How many are left?

7. A farmer has 584 cows. He takes 246 to a new field. How many are left behind?

8. A school has a target of raising £275 for a local charity. So far, they have raised £149. How much more is there to raise to reach the target?
9. A teacher counts all the exercise books that her class has used during the year and finds there are 237 in total. 96 are Maths books. How many other books are there?

10. A school prints 382 letters for parents. 153 letters are given out on Thursday and the rest on Friday. How many letters are given out on Friday?
1. A shop has 176 pairs of socks. 87 pairs are white sport socks. How many other pairs are there? 89

2. There are 289 children in a school. 154 are in Key Stage 2, the rest are in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. How many children are in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 altogether? 135

3. There are 315 pencils in the school store cupboard. 178 are given out to some teachers. How many are left in the store cupboard? 137

4. Edward buys a drink and a packet of crisps for £1.45. He pays with a £2 coin. What change does he receive? 55p

5. A flower market has 432 tulips. A florist buys 155 tulips. How many are left? 277

6. A sweet shop has 523 boiled sweets in jars. One jar containing 164 sweets is sold. How many are left? 359

7. A farmer has 584 cows. He takes 246 to a new field. How many are left behind? 338

8. A school has a target of raising £275 for a local charity. So far, they have raised £149. How much more is there to raise to reach the target? £126

9. A teacher counts all the exercise books that her class has used during the year and finds there are 237 in total. 96 are Maths books. How many other books are there? 141

10. A school prints 382 letters for parents. 153 letters are given out on Thursday and the rest on Friday. How many letters are given out on Friday? 229
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2. There are 289 children in a school. 154 are in Key Stage 2 and 76 are in Key Stage 1. The rest are in the Foundation Stage. How many children are in the Foundation Stage?

3. There are 415 pencils in the school store cupboard. 175 are given out to Key Stage 2 and 132 to Key Stage 1. How many are left in the store cupboard?

4. Edward buys a drink for 67p and 2 packets of crisps for £1.18. He pays with a £2 coin. What change does he receive?

5. A flower market has 682 tulips. One florist buys 255 tulips and another 208 tulips. How many are left?

6. A sweet shop has 591 boiled sweets in jars. One jar containing 164 sweets and another containing 153 are sold. How many are left?

7. A farmer has 609 cows. He takes 246 to a new field and 176 to a shed. How many are left behind?
8. A school has a target of raising £325 for a local charity. So far, they have raised £134 and another £87 is promised. How much more is there to raise to reach the target?

9. A teacher counts all the exercise books that her class has used during the year and finds that there are 329 in total. 106 are Maths books and 93 are English books. How many other books are there?

10. A school prints 482 letters for parents. 159 letters are given out on Wednesday, 178 on Thursday and the rest on Friday. How many letters are given out on Friday?
Answers

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   166

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   59

3. There are 415 pencils in the school store cupboard. 175 are given out to Key Stage 2 and 132 to Key Stage 1. How many are left in the store cupboard?
   108

4. Edward buys a drink for 67p and 2 packets of crisps for £1.18. He pays with a £2 coin. What change does he receive?
   15p

5. A flower market has 682 tulips. One florist buys 255 tulips and another 208 tulips. How many are left?
   219

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   274

7. A farmer has 609 cows. He takes 246 to a new field and 176 to a shed. How many are left behind?
   187

8. A school has a target of raising £325 for a local charity. So far, they have raised £134 and another £87 is promised. How much more is there to raise to reach the target?
   £104

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