

Practice subtraction then addition to reverse

There were 8 birds flying together. 2 birds flew away. How many birds are flying altogether now?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show the 2 birds returning again.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

8 leaves fell to the ground into a pile. 6 blew away. How many leaves are left in the pile?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show the 6 leaves blowing back to the pile.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

There were 5 children playing in the park. 1 had to go home for lunch. How many children are playing in the park now?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show the child coming back after lunch.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

There were 15 children playing in the park, but 7 had to leave. How many children are left in the park?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show the 7 children returning again.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Mixed practice

Ethan saved 18 dollars, but he spent 5 dollars on a toy. How much money does Ethan have left?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show Ethan saving 5 more dollars.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Mia picked 14 flowers from the garden. She gave 9 to her grandma. How many flowers does Mia have left?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show Mia taking back the 9 flowers from her grandma.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Sarah had 12 pencils. Her friend gave her 8 more. How many pencils does Sarah have now?

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show her friend taking the 8 pencils back.

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

There were 13 cookies in the jar. Mum baked 3 more and put them in the jar. How many cookies are in the jar now?

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show Mum taking out the 3 cookies.

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

There were 16 cookies in the jar, and Sarah ate 3 of them. How many cookies are left in the jar?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show 3 more cookies going into the jar.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

There were 13 ducks on the pond. 6 more ducks landed on the water. How many ducks are on the pond altogether?

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show the ducks flying off again.

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Emma had 13 stickers, and then she gave 4 stickers to her friend.
How many stickers does Emma have now?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show Emma taking back the 4 stickers.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Mia picked 5 flowers in the morning and 9 more flowers in the
afternoon. How many flowers did Mia pick altogether?

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show Mia losing the 9 flowers.

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Sarah bought a pack of 20 pencils and gave 8 to her friend. How many pencils does Sarah have now?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show Sarah taking back the 8 pencils from her friend.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

There were 17 apples on the tree. The farmer added 3 more apples to the tree to make a display. How many apples are on the tree now?

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show the farmer taking off the three apples.

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

There were 20 apples on the tree, and 3 fell down. How many apples are still on the tree?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show the 3 more apples growing on the tree.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

There were 19 ducks on the pond. 6 ducks swam away. How many ducks are still on the pond?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show the 6 ducks returning to the pond.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Liam had 12 toy cars. He lost 4 of them at the park. How many toy cars does Liam have now?

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show Liam finding the 4 cars again.

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Emma had 9 stickers. Her friend gave her 4 more stickers. How many stickers does Emma have altogether?

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

Write an equation to show Emma's friend taking the 4 stickers back.

$$\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$