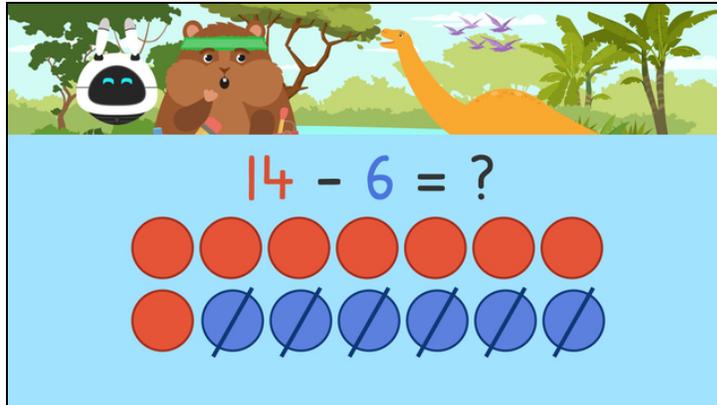


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Subtraction Word Problems up to Twenty



- 1 Describe the steps for subtracting with word problems.
- 2 Illustrate a subtraction number sentence.
- 3 Identify a number sentence from a word problem.
- 4 Calculate the difference of a subtraction number sentence.
- 5 Match the number sentence to the difference.
- + with many hints, answer keys, and solution approaches for all tasks



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Describe the steps for subtracting with word problems.

Arrange the steps for subtracting in the correct order.



Mr. Squeaks is explaining to Imani the steps for subtracting numbers while watching the dinosaurs. Can you help him tell Imani the correct order?

A
Cross off circles to subtract, or take away.

B
Count how many circles are left. This is the difference.

C
Write a number sentence.

D
Draw circles to show the starting number.

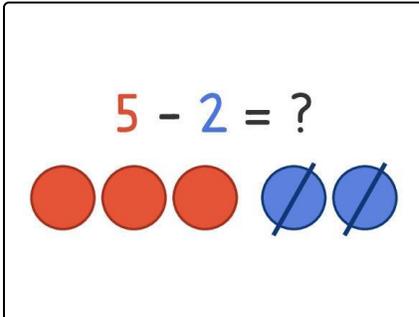
CORRECT ORDER

Our hints for the tasks

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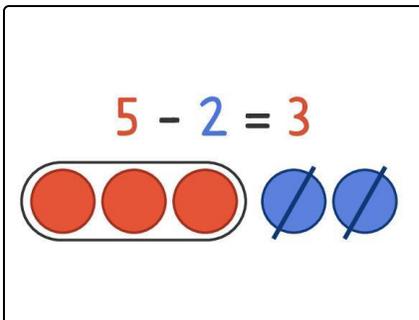
Describe the steps for subtracting with word problems.

1. Hint



When you subtract, you are taking away from a group.

2. Hint



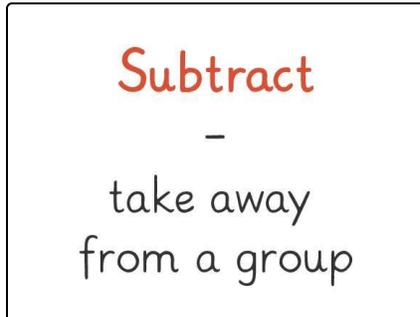
Once you cross off the circles you are subtracting, the remaining circles are your difference, or in other words, the answer.

Solutions and solution approaches for the tasks

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from 5

Describe the steps for subtracting with word problems.

Answer key: C, D, A, B



The steps for subtracting with word problems are:

1. Write a number sentence.
2. Draw circles to show the starting number.
3. Cross off circles to subtract, or take away.
4. Count how many circles are left. This is the difference.