

Finding the Difference — Word Problems

Find the two numbers, decide count on or count back, then solve.

Question 1

Kelly collected 56 stickers. She gave away 5. How many stickers does she have left?

Number sentence: _____ - _____ = _____

Answer: _____

Question 2

Jess picked 29 flowers, she dropped 19 on the way to school. How many flowers does she have now?

Number sentence: _____ - _____ = _____

Answer: _____

Question 3

There are 32 children in the class and 13 students are away. How many students are in class today?

Number sentence: _____ - _____ = _____

Answer: _____

Question 4

Sam has 23 pencils but leaves 19 pencils at home. How many pencils does he have with him?

Number sentence: _____ - _____ = _____

Answer: _____

Question 5

There are 40 people on the bus and 36 get off. How many people are still on the bus?

Number sentence: _____ - _____ = _____

Answer: _____

Question 6

Milo the dog has a bag with 51 treats in it. His owner gave him 7 treats away. How many treats are left in the bag?

Number sentence: _____ - _____ = _____

Answer: _____

Answer Key

1. $56 - 5 = 51$

2. $29 - 19 = 10$

3. $32 - 13 = 19$

4. $23 - 19 = 4$

5. $40 - 36 = 4$

6. $51 - 7 = 44$