

Subtraction Stories

1. There are 8 birds sitting on a branch. 3 birds fly away. How many birds are left on the branch?

Draw a picture:

Show your work:

Hint: Try counting back from 8.

Answer: _____

2. Maria has 15 stickers. She gives 6 stickers to her friend. How many stickers does Maria have now?

Draw a picture:

Show your work:

Hint: Try counting backwards from 15.

Answer: _____

3. There are 12 fish in a tank. 8 of them are gold, and the rest are blue. How many fish are blue?

Draw a picture:

Show your work:

Hint: Think of an addition fact! $8 + ? = 12$

Answer: _____

4. Maria has 17 crayons. Leo has 9 crayons. How many more crayons does Maria have than Leo?

Number Sentence:

Show Your Work:

5. There were 15 birds on a wire. First, 4 flew away. Then, 5 more flew away. How many birds are on the wire now?

Number Sentence:

Show Your Work:

6. A baker made 20 cookies. He sold some and had 11 cookies left. How many cookies did he sell?

Number Sentence:

Show Your Work:

Challenge!

Find the missing number:

$$18 - \boxed{} = 12$$

How do you feel? Circle one.

- ☐ I've got it!
- ☐ I'm getting there!
- ☐ I need more practice.