



**There are eight buses in the school. If four are sent to pick up children, how many buses are still at school?**

$$8 - 4 = 4$$

**Alli went to the store. She bought three red apples and five yellow apples. How many apples did Alli buy?**

$$3 + 5 = 8$$

**A zoo has 11 black bears and 8 brown bears. How many bears are at the zoo?**

$$11 + 8 = 19$$

**Samantha had five hair bows. If she gave two hair bows to her friend, how many hair bows does she have left?**

$$5 - 2 = 3$$

**Emily and John bought nine purple flowers and five white flowers. How many flowers did they buy?**

$$9 + 5 = 14$$

**Carson and Ellie counted eight birds in the tree at school. Later they saw eight birds in a tree at home. How many birds did they see that day?**

$$8 + 8 = 16$$

**Julie baked 8 chocolate chip cookies, 3 sugar cookies and 2 peanut butter cookies. How many cookies did Julie bake?**

$$8 + 3 + 2 = 13$$

**Sam has nine balloons, 6 are pink and the rest are purple. How many balloons are purple?**

$$9 - 6 = 3$$

**7 ducks, 2 frogs and 1 swan are swimming in the pond. How many animals are in the pond?**

$$7 + 2 + 1 = 10$$

**Jason ate seven cookies and Madison ate two cookies. How many more cookies did Jason eat than Madison?**

$$7 - 2 = 5$$

Ian bought 3 packs of baseball cards. Each pack has 4 cards. How many cards does Ian have?

$$4+4+4=12$$

Pierce got three new CDs on his birthday. He already had nine CDs. How many CDs does he have now?

$$3+9=12$$

I saw 2 cats and 1 dog outside. How many legs did I see?

$$8+4=12 \text{ or } 4+4+4=12$$

Seven birds were sitting on a tree branch. A 'BANG' scared some of them away. Now there are three on the branch. How many birds were scared away?

$$7-3=4$$

Sixteen umbrellas are by the front door. Five of the umbrellas are red. The rest are yellow. How many umbrellas are yellow?

$$16-5=11$$

Harry bought seven erasers and two pencils. How many more erasers than pencils did Harry buy?

$$7-2=5$$

Six girls and three boys went to school. How many more girls than boys went?

$$6-3=3$$

Mom had three blue hats and nine pink hats. How many hats did she have?

$$3+9=12$$

At the pet store I saw 5 hamsters, 6 fish and 4 lizards for sale. How many pets did I see for sale?

$$5+6+4=19$$

Wilma ran five miles on Tuesday and three miles on Thursday. How many more miles did Wilma run on Tuesday than Thursday?

$$5-3=2$$

**Maci has fifteen pocketbooks.  
Amber has eight pocketbooks.  
How many more pocketbooks does  
Maci have than Amber?**

$$15 - 8 = 7$$

**There were three cars. Three people  
were in each car. How many people  
were there in all?**

$$3 + 3 + 3 = 9$$

**The kids had three footballs  
and eight baseballs. How many  
balls did the kids have?**

$$3 + 8 = 11$$

**Olivia ate 1 potato, 7 green beans  
and 6 baby carrots. How many  
vegetables did Olivia eat?**

$$1 + 7 + 6 = 14$$

**Five cookies were on the table.  
Cameron ate some cookies. Then  
there were three cookies. How  
many cookies did Cameron eat?**

$$5 - 3 = 2$$

**Tonya invites 15 friends to her party.  
Two of her friends were unable to  
come to her party. How many of Tonya's  
friends will come to her party?**

$$15 - 2 = 13$$

**Alli has some marbles in her pocket.  
Five of the marbles are pink. The other  
eight are yellow. How many marbles  
does Alli have in her pocket?**

$$5 + 8 = 13$$

**Thomas played 3 baseball games one  
week. He played 6 baseball games the  
next week. He played 0 baseball games  
the third week. How many baseball  
games did Thomas play?**

$$3 + 6 + 0 = 9$$

**Robin made 7 phone calls on Saturday.  
She made 3 phone calls on Sunday.  
How many more phone calls did Robin  
make on Saturday than on Sunday?**

$$7 - 3 = 4$$

**Two frogs were sitting on a log.  
Six more frogs hop there.  
How many frogs are there now.**

$$2 + 6 = 8$$

