

Take-away stories within ten

Adult reads the story. Point, move counters, draw or write to show your thinking.

Story 1

Teddy has 5 pots of honey. 2 are taken away. How many are left?



Cross out 2. Left:

Draw or use counters here

Story 2

Sam has 7 apples. 3 are taken away. How many are left?



Cross out 3. Left:

Draw or use counters here

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Story 3

Kit has 8 books. 2 are taken away. How many are left?



Cross out 2. Left:

Draw or use counters here

Story 4

Ben has 10 eggs. 3 are taken away. How many are left?



Cross out 3. Left:

Draw or use counters here

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Story 5

Pip has 6 shells. 4 are taken away. How many are left?



Cross out 4. Left:

Draw or use counters here

Story 6

Mum has 9 cups. 5 are taken away. How many are left?



Cross out 5. Left:

Draw or use counters here

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Story 7

Dad has 10 pencils. 6 are taken away. How many are left?



Cross out 6. Left:

Draw or use counters here

Story 8

A duck has 8 pebbles. 5 are taken away. How many are left?



Cross out 5. Left:

Draw or use counters here

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Separate adult answer bank and support

Answers and models

1: $5 - 2 = 3$. 2: $7 - 3 = 4$. 3: $8 - 2 = 6$. 4: $10 - 3 = 7$. 5: $6 - 4 = 2$.
6: $9 - 5 = 4$. 7: $10 - 6 = 4$. 8: $8 - 5 = 3$.

Support

An adult reads the word problems so reading difficulty does not hide the number skill. Use safe large objects or marks on paper. The pictures represent the starting groups; in take-away problems the child crosses out the removed part.