Subtraction Word Problems Within 20 - ANSWER KEY

Grade 1 | Solving four kinds of subtraction story problems with numbers up to 20 | Version 3 of 10

Read each story. Write a number sentence that tells what happens, then write the answer with its label.

1. Sam had 12 marbles. Sam gave 7 marbles to a friend. How many marbles does Sam have now?

Number sentence: **12 – 7 = 5** **5 marbles**

2. Max had 18 shells. Max gave some away and now has 11 shells. How many shells did Max give away?

Number sentence: **18 – 11 = 7** **7 shells**

3. Kai had 20 marbles. Kai gave 5 marbles to a friend. How many marbles does Kai have now?

Number sentence: **20 – 5 = 15** **15 marbles**

4. Rosa has 19 shells. Nora has 5 shells. How many more shells does Rosa have than Nora?

Number sentence: **19 – 5 = 14** **14 shells**

5. Max has 19 beads. 10 of them are blue and the rest are green. How many beads are green?

Number sentence: **19 – 10 = 9** **9 beads**

6. Ava has 20 beads. 5 of them are blue and the rest are green. How many beads are green?

Number sentence: **20 – 5 = 15** **15 beads**

7. Rosa has 11 cards. Kai has 2 cards. How many more cards does Rosa have than Kai?

Number sentence: **11 – 2 = 9** **9 cards**

8. Lily had 18 cards. Lily gave some away and now has 10 cards. How many cards did Lily give away?

Number sentence: **18 – 10 = 8** **8 cards**