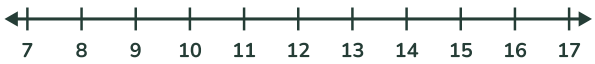
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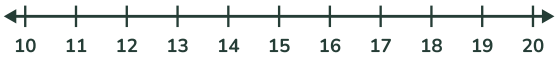
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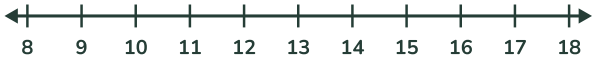
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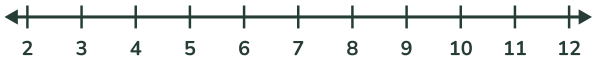
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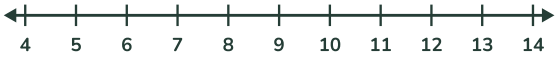
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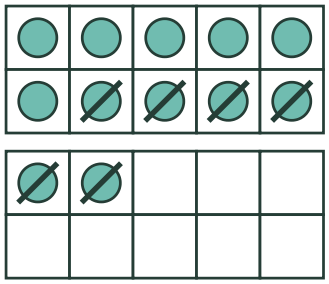
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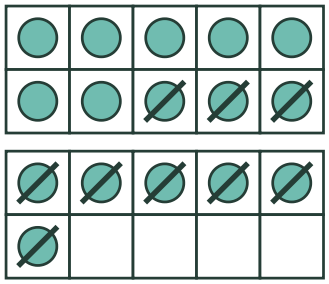
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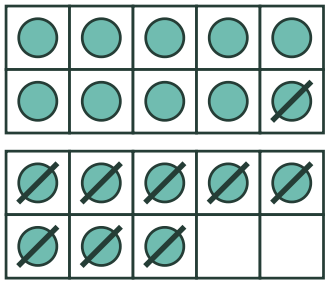
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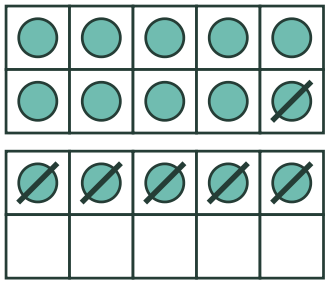
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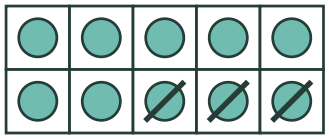


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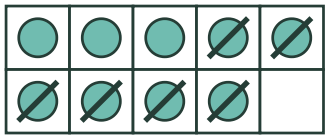


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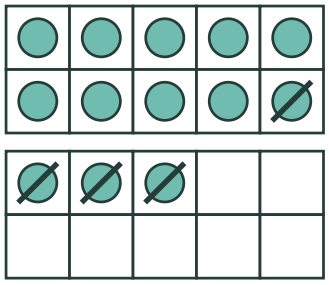


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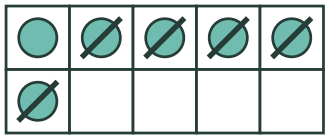


Subtraction within 20

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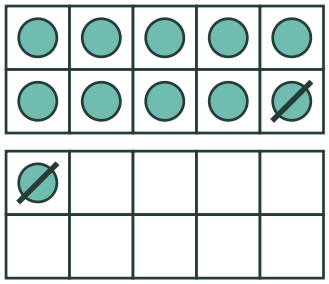


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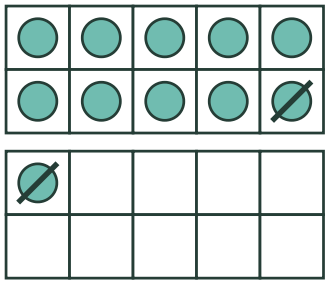
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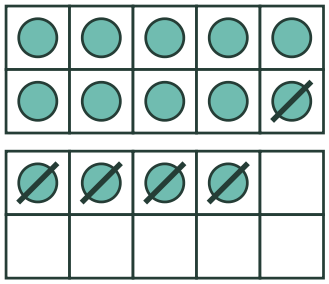
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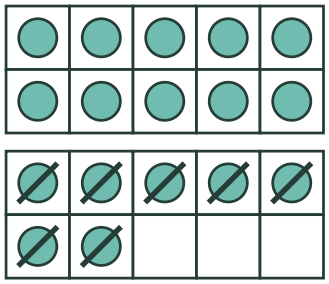
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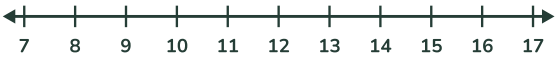


- ○ Yes. 10 + 7 = 17.
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Subtraction within 20

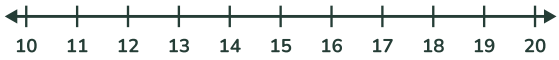
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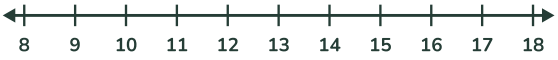
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Answer: 16

3 Start at 14 and count back 2. What is 14 – 2?



Answer: 12

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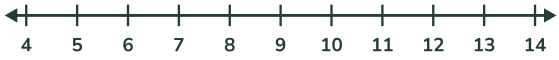
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5 Start at 8 and count back 1. What is 8 – 1?



Answer: 7

6 Start at 10 and count back 2. What is 10 – 2?

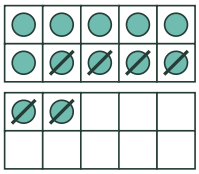


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Part 2 Subtract through ten

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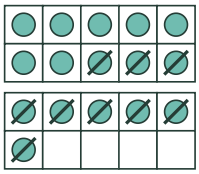
12 – 6 = 12 – 2 – ☐



Answer: 4

8 What number goes in the box?

16 – 9 = 16 – 6 – ☐

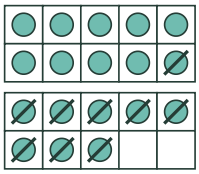


Answer: 3

Subtraction within 20

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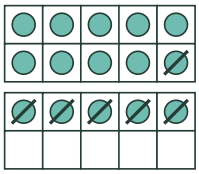
18 − 9 = 18 − 8 − ☐



Answer: 1

10 What number goes in the box?

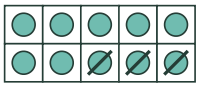
15 − 6 = 15 − 5 − ☐



Answer: 1

Part 3 Take-away stories

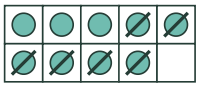
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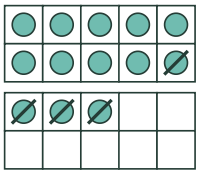
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Answer: 3

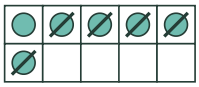
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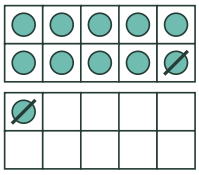


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Answer: 1

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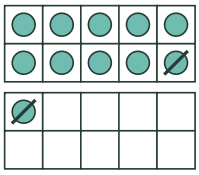
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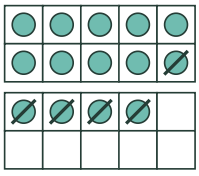
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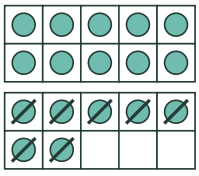
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