

Subtraction Strategies

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It is easy to **subtract zero** from a number because the **number doesn't change**.

$6-0=6$ $7-0=7$
 $342-0=342$

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It is easy to **subtract one** from a number because it's just the **number before**.

$3-1=2$ $9-1=8$
 $242-1=241$

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2 Less Than



Think

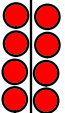
2 less than 6 is 4
so
you know $6-2=4$

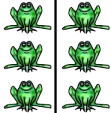
$14-2=12$ $29-2=27$
 $491-2=489$


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Halving

Even numbers can always be halved!
Halving is the opposite of doubling.



 $8-4=4$



 $6-3=3$



 $16-8=8$

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A Number Minus Itself


 $7-7=0$


 $9-9=0$


 $5-5=0$

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Think Addition

10-3=?

I know that $7+3=10$, so $10-3$ must be 7.

15-9=?

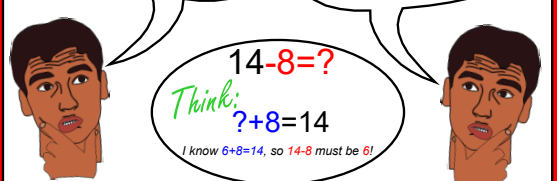
I know that $9+6=15$, so $15-9$ must be 6.

14-8=?

Think:

?+8=14

I know $6+8=14$, so $14-8$ must be 6!



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Fact Family

Look how these equations are related...

$8+7=15$

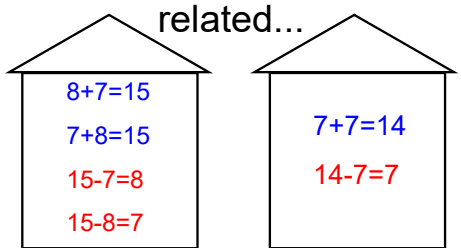
$7+8=15$

$15-7=8$

$15-8=7$

$7+7=14$

$14-7=7$



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