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Solving Mixed Word Problems

A tip to help you solve word problems is to look for clue words such as; (had left) or (left over) these phrases are clues that it is a subtraction problem. Phrases like (in all) or (all together) would be clues that it is an addition problem.

Conner had a case of 64 straws. When Conner counted his straws, he only had 52. How many are missing?

$$64 - \underline{\quad} = 52$$

$$52 + \underline{\quad} = 64$$

Ava had 4 dozen eggs and on her way to school, some of her eggs broke. If all she had left was 16 eggs, how many eggs broke?

$$48 - \underline{\quad} = 16$$

$$16 + \underline{\quad} = 48$$

John had 300 baseball cards. He gave some cards to his friends, now he only has 200 cards left. How many cards did John give to his friends?

$$300 - \underline{\quad} = 200$$

$$200 + \underline{\quad} = 300$$



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Answer Key

Conner had a case of 64 straws. When Conner counted his straws, he only had 52. How many are missing?

$$64 - \underline{12} = 52$$

$$52 + \underline{12} = 64$$

Ava had 4 dozen eggs and on her way to school, some of her eggs broke. If all she had left was 16 eggs, how many eggs broke?

$$48 - \underline{32} = 16$$

$$16 + \underline{32} = 48$$

John had 300 baseball cards. He gave some cards to his friends, now he only has 200 cards left. How many cards did John give to his friends?

$$300 - \underline{100} = 200$$

$$200 + \underline{100} = 300$$

