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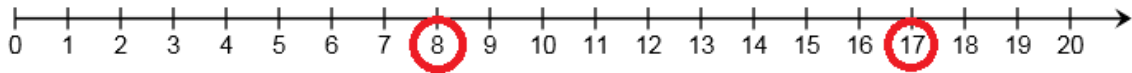
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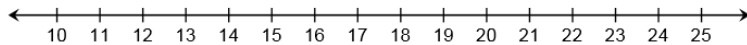
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Exercise Questions

1. Circle the numbers 11 and 21 on the number line.

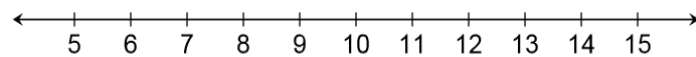


Which number is larger? _____

Write the correct symbol in the blank.

4. 200 _____ 189

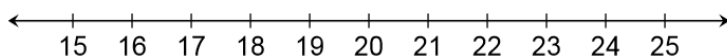
2. Circle the numbers 6 and 13 on the number line.



Which number is larger? _____

5. 450 _____ 540

3. Circle the numbers 16 and 24 on the number line.



Which number is larger? _____

6. 181 _____ 818

7. 221 _____ 212

8. 998 _____ 899



Answer Key

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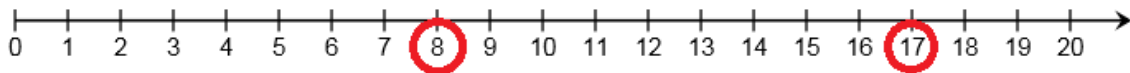
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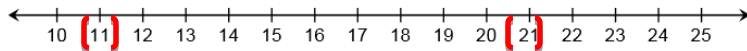
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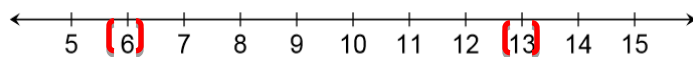


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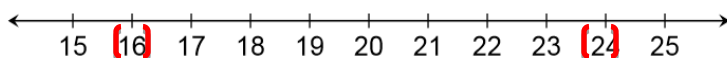
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