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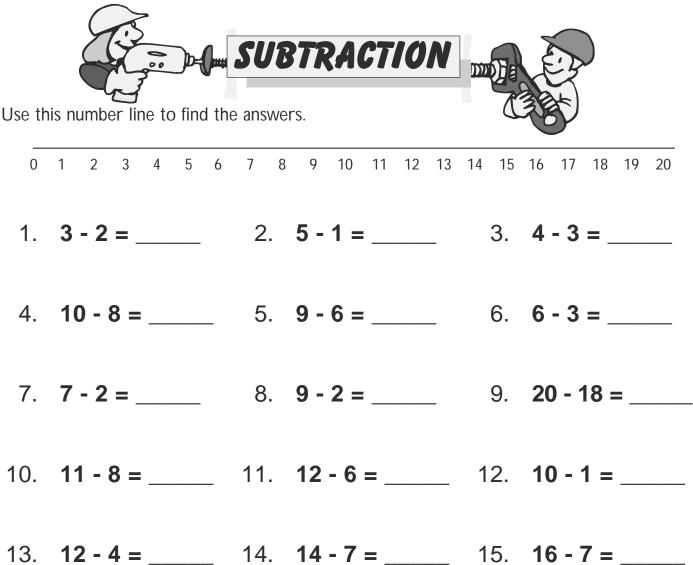




Although this book has been specifically designed to be used by classroom teachers for teaching subtraction facts, the materials are extremely helpful when used by parents and children at home.

If you have purchased this book to use at home with your child, I recommend that all of the fill-in-the-blank pages be inserted into vinyl page protectors and worked with a dry-erase overhead transparency marker. The page protectors can be washed and the page can be reused. Put all the page protectors and worksheets into a vinyl, two-pocket binder. The pen, flash cards and other materials can be kept in the binder pockets, thus creating a handy, portable math kit.

I think you will find that these methods work extremely well both at home and in the classroom. They have been tested and approved by parents and teachers!

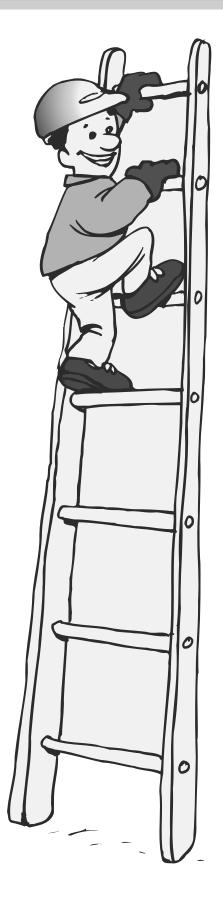


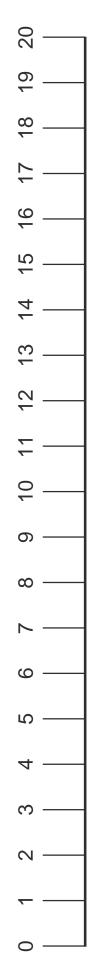
- 16. Sarah lost her crayons. There were 8 in the box. She found 6. How many are still lost?
- 17. Sarah has a new box of 16 crayons. She gave 7 to her friend. How many of the new crayons does she have left from this box?
- 18. Sarah gave away 2 more crayons. Now how many are left from the box of 16?
- 19. Copy the word *subtraction* on the back five times.
- 20. Ask an adult how subtraction is used in the world. Write three answers on the back of this page.

## CHALLENGE:

Sarah's friends gave her back the crayons from the box of 16. She got a box of 32 and a box of 64. She lost 5 crayons from each of the three boxes. How many crayons does she have in all from these three boxes?









## DEAR PARENTS,

Within the next few days our class will start to learn subtraction using the Math Phonics<sup>™</sup> program. This program is set up in such a way that your help is necessary in order for your child to master the 101 subtraction facts. Your child MUST learn to subtract in order to succeed in math. Here are some things you can do to help.

- 1. Help your child find a good place to post the Travel Folders that will be sent home. Some kids learn better by seeing the facts than by learning them. Travel Folders could be put on the bathroom mirror, side of the fridge or on the wall near the light switch-anywhere that your child will see them several times a day.
- 2. Quiz your child verbally from time to time while you are fixing supper or driving in the car.
- 3. When your son or daughter can say a group of facts correctly, sign the space on the progress chart which will be sent home in a few days.
- 4. Review earlier groups once a week or so.
- 5. Use the flash cards which are sent home. You can also use them with a Trivial Pursuit<sup>™</sup> board or other board game. Have your child show you card games which have been taught in school.
- 6. We need some sets of dice, dominoes and decks of playing cards. Could you donate any of these? Only send items which you do not want returned, as some pieces could be lost? Thanks!

Keep all Math Phonics<sup>™</sup> materials together so that your child can find them easily. Since the Math Phonics<sup>™</sup> program relies on drill and review, we really need your help at home.









