

Word Problems

Addition and subtraction: 48 short stories to read, draw and solve

Riya has 12 marbles. Kabir gives
Riya 5 more. How many now?

$12 + 5 =$

A child who can do $12 + 5$ on a page of sums can still be stuck on a story that asks the same thing, because the story has to be turned into a sum first. That step is what these sheets practice.

Every problem has room to draw it, a number sentence to fill in and an answer box. Sheets 1-8 stay within 20; sheets 9-12 use two digit numbers. Answers at the back.

A4 - black ink only - class 1 and 2, ages 6-8

Adding word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. Anaya has 13 stickers. Meera gives Anaya 7 more stickers. How many stickers does Anaya have now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: stickers

2. There are 3 stamps in a box. Ben puts in 7 more. How many stamps are in the box now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: stamps

3. A shop sold 9 apples on Monday and 6 apples on Tuesday. How many apples did it sell on the two days?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: apples

4. There are 7 stickers in a box. Arjun puts in 9 more. How many stickers are in the box now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: stickers

Adding word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. There are 3 red balloons and 8 blue balloons at a party. How many balloons are there in total?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: balloons

2. Zoe has 14 pencils. Sam gives Zoe 5 more pencils. How many pencils does Zoe have now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: pencils

3. Omar has 14 marbles. Riya gives Omar 3 more marbles. How many marbles does Omar have now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: marbles

4. 9 children are on a bus. At the next stop 9 more children get on. How many children are on the bus now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: children

Adding word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. Tara has 10 crayons. Max gives Tara 4 more crayons. How many crayons does Tara have now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: crayons

2. 10 children are on a bus. At the next stop 7 more children get on. How many children are on the bus now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: children

3. Tara has 16 toy cars. Omar gives Tara 4 more toy cars. How many toy cars does Tara have now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: toy cars

4. Isha has 7 shells. Aarav gives Isha 5 more shells. How many shells does Isha have now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: shells

Adding word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. Kabir picked 3 oranges in the morning and 7 oranges in the evening. How many oranges did Kabir pick in all?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: oranges

2. There are 15 red balloons and 2 blue balloons at a party. How many balloons are there in total?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: balloons

3. 13 children are on a bus. At the next stop 4 more children get on. How many children are on the bus now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: children

4. 12 children are on a bus. At the next stop 8 more children get on. How many children are on the bus now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: children

Take away word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. Zoe baked 8 cookies. The family ate 6 of them. How many cookies are left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: cookies

2. Ben has 13 stickers. Max has 2 stickers. How many more stickers does Ben have than Max?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: stickers

3. There were 10 flowers in a basket. Max took out 9. How many flowers are still in the basket?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: flowers

4. 14 birds were sitting on a tree. 6 birds flew away. How many birds are left on the tree?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: birds

Take away word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. There were 4 oranges in a basket. Zoe took out 2. How many oranges are still in the basket?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: oranges

2. 16 birds were sitting on a tree. 3 birds flew away. How many birds are left on the tree?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: birds

3. Zoe baked 5 cookies. The family ate 4 of them. How many cookies are left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: cookies

4. There were 11 buttons on a shelf and 3 were sold. How many buttons are on the shelf now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: buttons

Take away word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. Leo had 11 stamps and gave 2 of them to Isha. How many stamps does Leo have left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: stamps

2. Diya had 16 pencils and gave 7 of them to Anaya. How many pencils does Diya have left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: pencils

3. Omar baked 16 cookies. The family ate 4 of them. How many cookies are left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: cookies

4. A class has 17 children. 6 children are absent today. How many children are in class today?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: children

Take away word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. A class has 17 children. 2 children are absent today. How many children are in class today?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: children

2. Diya baked 10 cookies. The family ate 7 of them. How many cookies are left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: cookies

3. Arjun has 9 beads. Max has 8 beads. How many more beads does Arjun have than Max?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: beads

4. Sam has 12 cards. Tara has 5 cards. How many more cards does Sam have than Tara?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: cards

Mixed word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. Kabir read 21 pages of a book yesterday and 18 pages today. How many pages has Kabir read so far?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: pages

2. There were 76 crayons on a shelf and 21 were sold. How many crayons are on the shelf now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: crayons

3. Meera picked 60 oranges in the morning and 12 oranges in the evening. How many oranges did Meera pick in all?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: oranges

4. 44 birds were sitting on a tree. 34 birds flew away. How many birds are left on the tree?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: birds

Mixed word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. Omar baked 72 cookies. The family ate 31 of them. How many cookies are left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: cookies

2. Tara read 60 pages of a book yesterday and 12 pages today. How many pages has Tara read so far?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: pages

3. Isha had 28 cards and gave 20 of them to Ben. How many cards does Isha have left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: cards

4. Meera has 42 crayons. Isha gives Meera 12 more crayons. How many crayons does Meera have now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: crayons

Mixed word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. There are 31 stickers in a box. Isha puts in 29 more. How many stickers are in the box now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: stickers

2. There were 30 crayons on a shelf and 24 were sold. How many crayons are on the shelf now?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: crayons

3. Diya read 57 pages of a book yesterday and 23 pages today. How many pages has Diya read so far?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: pages

4. Diya had 63 pencils and gave 14 of them to Zoe. How many pencils does Diya have left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: pencils

Mixed word problems

Read it twice. Draw it. Then write the number sentence.

1. Isha had 62 shells and gave 33 of them to Noah. How many shells does Isha have left?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: shells

2. Ben read 29 pages of a book yesterday and 29 pages today. How many pages has Ben read so far?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: pages

3. Mia has 40 pencils. Zoe has 24 pencils. How many more pencils does Mia have than Zoe?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: pencils

4. A shop sold 43 apples on Monday and 19 apples on Tuesday. How many apples did it sell on the two days?

Draw it

_____ + or - _____ = _____

Answer: apples

Word problems

The number sentence for each problem, in order.

Sheet 1:	$13+7=20$	$3+7=10$	$9+6=15$	$7+9=16$
Sheet 2:	$3+8=11$	$14+5=19$	$14+3=17$	$9+9=18$
Sheet 3:	$10+4=14$	$10+7=17$	$16+4=20$	$7+5=12$
Sheet 4:	$3+7=10$	$15+2=17$	$13+4=17$	$12+8=20$
Sheet 5:	$8-6=2$	$13-2=11$	$10-9=1$	$14-6=8$
Sheet 6:	$4-2=2$	$16-3=13$	$5-4=1$	$11-3=8$
Sheet 7:	$11-2=9$	$16-7=9$	$16-4=12$	$17-6=11$
Sheet 8:	$17-2=15$	$10-7=3$	$9-8=1$	$12-5=7$
Sheet 9:	$21+18=39$	$76-21=55$	$60+12=72$	$44-34=10$
Sheet 10:	$72-31=41$	$60+12=72$	$28-20=8$	$42+12=54$
Sheet 11:	$31+29=60$	$30-24=6$	$57+23=80$	$63-14=49$
Sheet 12:	$62-33=29$	$29+29=58$	$40-24=16$	$43+19=62$