

Subtraction (Single Digit)

Chapter 3: Subtraction (Single Digit) · Topic 1

Key Concept

When we subtract, we start with a group of objects and take some away to find how many remain.

For example, if we have 5 balloons and 2 pop, we subtract $5 - 2$ to find we have 3 balloons left.

We can use our fingers, blocks, or drawings to help us count and subtract small numbers.

Practising simple subtraction problems helps us understand how numbers get smaller when we take some away.

Quick Revision Notes

- Subtraction means taking away to find what's left.
- We start with a group and take some away.
- 5 balloons minus 2 that pop leaves 3.
- $5 - 2 = 3$ is a subtraction example.
- We can use fingers or blocks to help subtract.
- Drawings can also help us subtract.
- Practice helps us understand subtraction.
- Subtraction makes numbers smaller.

Practice Questions

- 1 Solve: $5 - 2 = ?$
- 2 Solve: $8 - 3 = ?$
- 3 Use blocks to subtract $6 - 4$.
- 4 Draw pictures to show $4 - 1$.
- 5 Subtract the number of pets from the number of family members.
- 6 Practice five subtraction problems with single digits.