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## Whole numbers subtraction word problems

Solve the following subtraction word problems

1. Some marbles were in the basket. 2 marbles were taken from the basket. Now there are 6 marbles. How many marbles were in the basket before some of the marbles were taken?

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2. Jake has 2 fewer oranges than Brian. Brian has 6 oranges. How many oranges does Jake have?

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3. Nine pears are in the basket. Five pears are taken out of the basket. How many pears are in the basket now?

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4. Some peaches were in the basket. Three peaches were taken from the basket. Now there are five peaches. How many peaches were in the basket before some of the peaches were taken?

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5. Eight pears are in the basket. Five pears are taken out of the basket. How many pears are in the basket now?

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6. Billy has two oranges. Allan has three oranges. How many more oranges does Allan have than Billy?

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7. Steven has five fewer apples than Billy. Billy has seven apples. How many apples does Steven have?

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8. Six balls are in the basket. Six are red and the rest are green. How many balls are green?

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## ANSWER SHEET

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