

Subtraction with Borrowing

Grade 1

Name: _____ Date: _____

Section A: Basic Subtraction with Borrowing

Question 1: Solve these subtraction problems

Show your borrowing clearly!

a) $42 - 18 =$ _____

b) $53 - 27 =$ _____

c) $64 - 39 =$ _____

d) $71 - 45 =$ _____

e) $85 - 58 =$ _____

f) $93 - 67 =$ _____

g) $56 - 29 =$ _____

h) $74 - 46 =$ _____

i) $62 - 35 =$ _____

j) $81 - 54 =$ _____

k) $47 - 19 =$ _____

l) $95 - 68 =$ _____

m) $38 - 19 =$ _____

n) $66 - 48 =$ _____

o) $77 - 39 =$ _____

p) $89 - 57 =$ _____

q) $54 - 26 =$ _____

r) $72 - 45 =$ _____

s) $63 - 38 =$ _____

t) $91 - 64 =$ _____

Question 2: Solve vertically with borrowing

Write the problems vertically and solve. Show all borrowing steps!

a) $52 - 28 =$ _____

b) $76 - 49 =$ _____

c) $84 - 56 = \underline{\quad}$

d) $93 - 67 = \underline{\quad}$

e) $65 - 38 = \underline{\quad}$

f) $87 - 59 = \underline{\quad}$

g) $74 - 47 = \underline{\quad}$

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h) $96 - 68 = \underline{\quad}$

i) $83 - 55 = \underline{\quad}$

j) $61 - 34 = \underline{\quad}$

Section B: Subtraction with Zeros

Question 3: Tricky borrowing from tens with zeros

These are harder because you have to borrow from zero or borrow across zeros!

a) $50 - 23 = \underline{\quad}$

b) $60 - 34 = \underline{\quad}$

c) $70 - 48 = \underline{\quad}$

d) $80 - 56 = \underline{\quad}$

e) $90 - 67 = \underline{\quad}$

f) $40 - 17 = \underline{\quad}$

g) $50 - 38 = \underline{\quad}$

h) $70 - 52 = \underline{\quad}$

i) $80 - 44 = \underline{\quad}$

j) $60 - 29 = \underline{\quad}$

Section C: Word Problems

Question 4: Real-life subtraction problems

Read carefully and solve!

- a) Sarah had 72 chocolates. She gave 45 chocolates to her friends. How many chocolates does Sarah have left?

Answer: _____ chocolates

- b) A library had 85 books. 48 books were borrowed by students. How many books are still in the library?

Answer: _____ books

- c) Tom collected 93 stamps. He lost 56 stamps. How many stamps does Tom have now?

Answer: _____ stamps

- d) There were 67 balloons at a party. 39 balloons popped. How many balloons are still good?

Answer: _____ balloons

e) A baker made 81 cupcakes. She sold 54 cupcakes. How many cupcakes are left?

Answer: _____ cupcakes

f) Mom had 95 flowers in her garden. She picked 68 flowers for a vase. How many flowers are still in the garden?

Answer: _____ flowers

g) There are 73 students in grade 1. Today 46 students went on a field trip. How many students stayed back?

Answer: _____ students

h) A toy shop had 88 toy cars. They sold 59 toy cars. How many toy cars remain?

Answer: _____ toy cars

i) David saved 92 rupees. He spent 65 rupees on a book. How many rupees does David have left?

Answer: _____ rupees

j) There were 64 birds on a tree. 37 birds flew away. How many birds are still on the tree?

Answer: _____ birds

Section D: Missing Number Problems

Question 5: Find the missing numbers

a) $54 - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = 27$

b) $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 38 = 26$

c) $72 - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = 45$

d) $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 49 = 28$

e) $83 - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = 56$

f) $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 57 = 29$

g) $91 - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = 64$

h) $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 44 = 38$

i) $65 - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = 37$

j) $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 36 = 48$

Section E: Error Detection

Question 6: Find and correct the mistakes

Each problem below has been solved INCORRECTLY. Find the mistake and write the correct answer.

a)

52

- 28

36 ✗ WRONG!

Correct answer: _____

What was the mistake? _____

b)

74

- 46

32 ✗ WRONG!

Correct answer: _____

What was the mistake? _____

c)

63

- 37

34 ✗ WRONG!

Correct answer: _____

What was the mistake? _____

d)

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81

- 54

33 ✗ WRONG!

Correct answer: _____

What was the mistake? _____

e)

90

- 48

58 ✗ WRONG!

Correct answer: _____

What was the mistake? _____

Section F: Comparison Problems

Question 7: Solve and compare

Solve both problems, then write $>$, $<$, or $=$ in the circle.

a) $52 - 28$ $63 - 37$

_____ _____

b) $75 - 48$ $84 - 56$

_____ _____

c) $91 - 64$ $82 - 55$

_____ _____

d) $70 - 43$ $65 - 38$

_____ _____

e) $93 - 67$ $86 - 59$

_____ _____

Section G: Number Sequences with Subtraction

Question 8: Complete the patterns

a) 85, 78, 71, _____, _____, 50

b) 92, 85, 78, _____, _____, 57

c) 76, 69, 62, _____, _____, 41

d) 94, 86, 78, _____, _____, 54

e) 81, 73, 65, _____, _____, 41

Section H: Multi-Step Problems

Question 9: Challenging word problems

a) A shopkeeper had 84 toys. He sold 37 toys in the morning and 29 toys in the evening. How many toys are left?

Solution:

- Toys sold in total: _____ + _____ = _____

- Toys remaining: _____ - _____ = _____

Answer: _____ toys

b) Riya had 95 stickers. She gave 48 stickers to her sister. Then she bought 25 more stickers. How many stickers does Riya have now?

Solution:

- After giving to sister: _____ - _____ = _____
- After buying more: _____ + _____ = _____

Answer: _____ stickers

c) There were 72 apples in a basket. 36 apples were green and the rest were red. If 28 red apples were eaten, how many red apples are left?

Solution:

- Red apples: _____ - _____ = _____
- Red apples left: _____ - _____ = _____

Answer: _____ red apples

Section I: True or False

Question 10: Circle TRUE or FALSE

- a) When subtracting, you always start from the tens place first. **TRUE / FALSE**
- b) If the top digit is smaller, you need to borrow from the tens place. **TRUE / FALSE**
- c) When you borrow 1 ten, you get 10 ones. **TRUE / FALSE**
- d) $52 - 28 = 24$ **TRUE / FALSE**
- e) $70 - 35 = 45$ **TRUE / FALSE**
- f) You can check subtraction by adding the answer to the smaller number. **TRUE / FALSE**

g) $90 - 48 = 52$ **TRUE / FALSE**

h) When borrowing, you must reduce the tens digit by 1. **TRUE / FALSE**

i) $64 - 39 = 25$ **TRUE / FALSE**

j) In the problem $81 - 47$, you need to borrow. **TRUE / FALSE**

Bonus Section: Super Challenge!

Question 11: Expert-level problems

a) What number must be subtracted from 92 to get 56? _____

b) The difference between two numbers is 27. If the larger number is 75, what is the smaller number? _____

c) I am thinking of a number. When I subtract 48 from it, I get 35. What number am I thinking of? _____

d) $65 - \square - 19 = 28$. What is \square ? _____

e) If $A = 82 - 56$ and $B = 91 - 65$, what is $A + B$? _____

ANSWER KEY

Section A: Basic Subtraction with Borrowing

Question 1:

a) 24 b) 26 c) 25 d) 26 e) 27 f) 26 g) 27 h) 28 i) 27 j) 27 k) 28 l) 27 m) 19 n) 18 o) 38 p) 32 q) 28 r) 27 s) 25 t) 27

Question 2:

a) $52 - 28 = 24$

4 12

~~52~~

- 28

24

b) $76 - 49 = 27$

6 16

~~76~~

- 49

27

c) $84 - 56 = 28$

7 14

~~84~~

- 56

28

d) $93 - 67 = 26$

8 13

~~93~~

- 67

26

e) $65 - 38 = 27$

5 15

~~65~~

- 38

27

f) $87 - 59 = 28$

7 17

~~87~~

- 59

28

g) $74 - 47 = 27$

6 14

~~74~~

- 47

27

h) $96 - 68 = 28$

8 16

~~96~~

- 68

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28

i) $83 - 55 = 28$

7 13

~~83~~

- 55

28

j) $61 - 34 = 27$

5 11

~~61~~

- 34

27

Section B: Subtraction with Zeros

Question 3:

a) $50 - 23 = 27$ b) $60 - 34 = 26$ c) $70 - 48 = 22$ d) $80 - 56 = 24$ e) $90 - 67 = 23$ f) $40 - 17 = 23$ g) $50 - 38 = 12$ h) $70 - 52 = 18$ i) $80 - 44 = 36$ j) $60 - 29 = 31$

Section C: Word Problems

Question 4:

a) $72 - 45 = 27$ chocolates b) $85 - 48 = 37$ books c) $93 - 56 = 37$ stamps d) $67 - 39 = 28$ balloons
e) $81 - 54 = 27$ cupcakes f) $95 - 68 = 27$ flowers g) $73 - 46 = 27$ students h) $88 - 59 = 29$ toy cars
i) $92 - 65 = 27$ rupees j) $64 - 37 = 27$ birds

Section D: Missing Number Problems

Question 5:

- a) $54 - 27 = 27$ b) $64 - 38 = 26$ c) $72 - 27 = 45$ d) $77 - 49 = 28$ e) $83 - 27 = 56$ f) $86 - 57 = 29$ g) $91 - 27 = 64$ h) $82 - 44 = 38$ i) $65 - 28 = 37$ j) $84 - 36 = 48$
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Section E: Error Detection

Question 6:

- a) **Correct answer: 24 Mistake:** Forgot to borrow or subtracted incorrectly in the ones place
b) **Correct answer: 28 Mistake:** Didn't borrow correctly or made error in ones place subtraction
c) **Correct answer: 26 Mistake:** Forgot to reduce tens place after borrowing or calculation error
d) **Correct answer: 27 Mistake:** Made an error in ones place after borrowing
e) **Correct answer: 42 Mistake:** Didn't borrow correctly from the zero in tens place
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Section F: Comparison Problems

Question 7:

- a) $52 - 28 = 24$ $63 - 37 = 26$ $24 < 26$
b) $75 - 48 = 27$ $84 - 56 = 28$ $27 < 28$
c) $91 - 64 = 27$ $82 - 55 = 27$ $27 = 27$
d) $70 - 43 = 27$ $65 - 38 = 27$ $27 = 27$
e) $93 - 67 = 26$ $86 - 59 = 27$ $26 < 27$
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Section G: Number Sequences with Subtraction

Question 8:

- a) 85, 78, 71, **64, 57**, 50 (subtract 7 each time)
b) 92, 85, 78, **71, 64**, 57 (subtract 7 each time)

c) 76, 69, 62, **55, 48**, 41 (subtract 7 each time)

d) 94, 86, 78, **70, 62**, 54 (subtract 8 each time)

e) 81, 73, 65, **57, 49**, 41 (subtract 8 each time)

Section H: Multi-Step Problems

Question 9:

a) Solution:

- Toys sold in total: $37 + 29 = 66$
- Toys remaining: $84 - 66 = 18$ **Answer: 18 toys**

b) Solution:

- After giving to sister: $95 - 48 = 47$
- After buying more: $47 + 25 = 72$ **Answer: 72 stickers**

c) Solution:

- Red apples: $72 - 36 = 36$
 - Red apples left: $36 - 28 = 8$ **Answer: 8 red apples**
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Section I: True or False

Question 10:

a) **FALSE** (Start from ones place, not tens) b) **TRUE** c) **TRUE** d) **TRUE** e) **FALSE** ($70 - 35 = 35$, not 45) f) **TRUE** g) **FALSE** ($90 - 48 = 42$, not 52) h) **TRUE** i) **TRUE** j) **TRUE**

Bonus Section: Super Challenge

Question 11:

a) $92 - 36 = 56$

b) $75 - 27 = 48$

c) $83 - 48 = 35$

d) $65 - 18 - 19 = 28$

e) $A = 82 - 56 = 26$; $B = 91 - 65 = 26$; $A + B = 52$

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