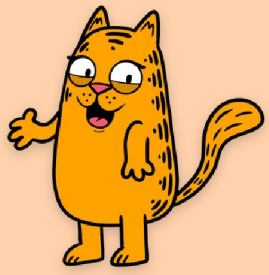
MATH WORKSHEET · GRADES 1–2 · WORD PROBLEMS

Missing Start and Change Word Problems



What number is missing: the start, the change or the end? Write a number sentence and solve.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Some birds sat on a fence. 6 more birds came. Now there are 13 birds. How many birds were on the fence at first?

Answer: _____ birds

2 Kai had 9 stickers. His mom gave him some more. Now he has 16 stickers. How many stickers did his mom give him?

Answer: _____ stickers

3 Some kids were on the slide. 5 kids left. Now 8 kids are on the slide. How many kids were on the slide at first?

Answer: _____ kids

4 Rosa had 17 beads. She lost some. Now she has 11 beads. How many beads did she lose?

Answer: _____ beads

5 There were 30 cupcakes. The class ate some. Now 12 are left. How many cupcakes did the class eat?

Answer: _____ cupcakes

6 Eli read some pages on Monday and 24 pages on Tuesday. He read 50 pages in all. How many pages did he read on Monday?

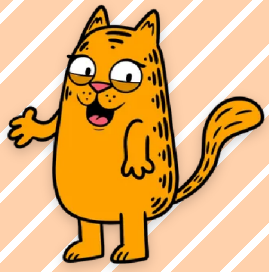
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ANSWER KEY · WORD PROBLEMS · FOR GROWN-UPS

Answer Key: Missing Start and Change Word Problems

What number is missing: the start, the change or the end? Write a number sentence and solve.



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Answer: 7 **birds**

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Answer: 7 **stickers**

3 Some kids were on the slide. 5 kids left. Now 8 kids are on the slide. How many kids were on the slide at first?

Answer: 13 **kids**

4 Rosa had 17 beads. She lost some. Now she has 11 beads. How many beads did she lose?

Answer: 6 **beads**

5 There were 30 cupcakes. The class ate some. Now 12 are left. How many cupcakes did the class eat?

Answer: 18 **cupcakes**

6 Eli read some pages on Monday and 24 pages on Tuesday. He read 50 pages in all. How many pages did he read on Monday?

Answer: 26 **pages**

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