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**PROBLEM SOLVING - MODEL SUBTRACTION**

Sam has 9  . He gives 2  away.  
How many pencils does he have now?

**Breakdown the problem****What do I need to find?**

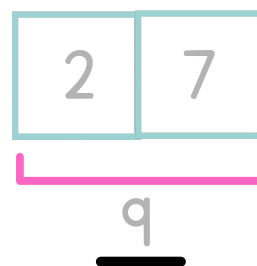
How many pencils  
that Sam has now

**What information do I need to use?**

Sam has 9   
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**Use a bar model or blocks to solve the problem.**

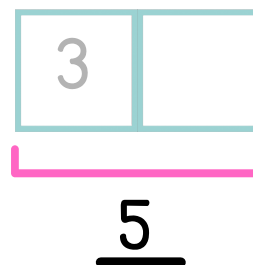
$$9 - 2 = \underline{7}$$



**Read the problem. Use the bar model to solve. Complete the model and the number sentence.**

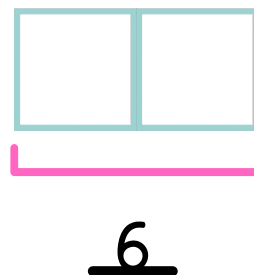
1. There are 5 cats.  
3 cats are sleeping. The rest are awake.  
How many cats are awake?

$$5 - 3 = \underline{\quad}$$



2. There are 6 butterflies.  
2 butterflies are big. The rest are small.  
How many butterflies are small?

$$6 - \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$



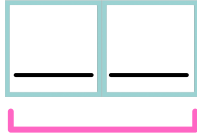
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# COMPLETE THE BAR MODEL

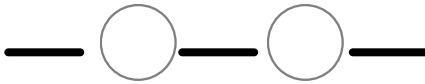
**Read the word problem. Complete the bar model. Write the subtraction sentence.**

1. There are 10 butterflies resting on a flower.  
4 butterflies fly away.  
How many butterflies are resting now?

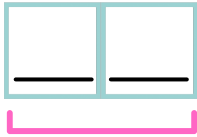


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\_\_\_\_\_ fly away.

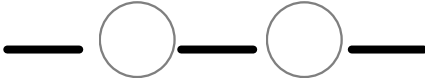


2. There are 7 cows. Some cows are in the barn. Two cows are outside.  
How many cows are in the barn ?



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\_\_\_\_\_ cows in the barn.

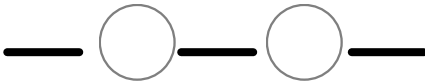


3. Joe invited 8 friends to his party.  
3 came early. The rest were late.  
How many friends were late?



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\_\_\_\_\_ friends were late.



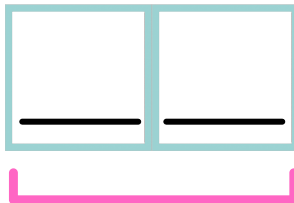
**Write your own subtraction problem. Use the bar model to solve your problem.**

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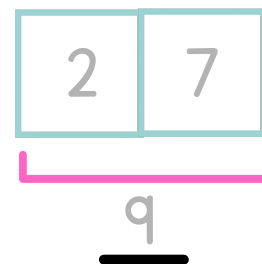
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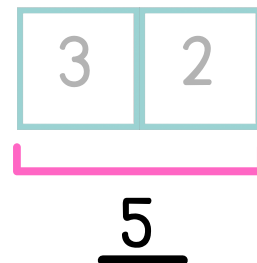
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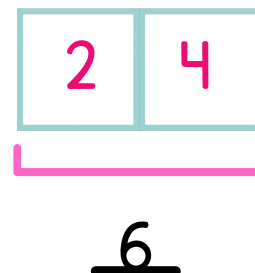
1. There are 5 cats.  
3 cats are sleeping. The rest are awake.  
How many cats are awake?

$$5 - 3 = \underline{2}$$



2. There are 6 butterflies.  
2 butterflies are big. The rest are small.  
How many butterflies are small?

$$6 - 2 = \underline{4}$$



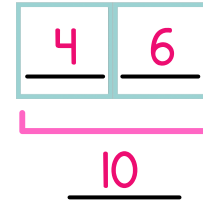
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# COMPLETE THE BAR MODEL

Read the word problem. Complete the bar model. Write the subtraction sentence.

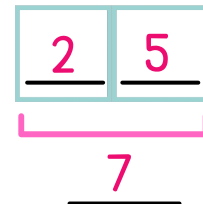
1. There are 10 butterflies resting on a flower.  
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How many butterflies are resting now?



6 fly away.

$$\underline{10} - \underline{4} = \underline{6}$$

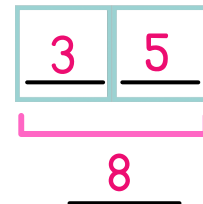
2. There are 7 cows. Some cows are in the barn. Two cows are outside.  
How many cows are in the barn?



5 cows in the barn.

$$\underline{7} - \underline{2} = \underline{5}$$

3. Joe invited 8 friends to his party.  
3 came early. The rest were late.  
How many friends were late?



5 friends were late.

$$\underline{8} - \underline{3} = \underline{5}$$

Write your own subtraction problem. Use the bar model to solve your problem.

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Answers may vary. Accept all legible answers.

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