Look Back

Eddy is walking down a flight of stairs.

He **counts back** as he walks down.

However, he missed a step as shown.

What step number did he miss? 5

Thinking Cap

Eddy starts walking down from step number 7.
He goes down 4 steps.
What step number does he land on? 3
Share with your partner how you know.

Let's Learn

a There are 7 rabbits. 3 of them hop away. How many rabbits are <u>left</u>?

<u>Count back</u> from 7.

4 , 5 , 6 , 7

4 rabbits are left.

I can count back to **subtract**. When you count back, the numbers get smaller.

b **Subtract** 2 from 15.

13 , 14 , 15
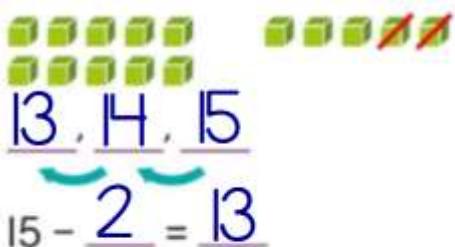
$15 - 2 = 13$

− is called minus. It means subtract. $15 - 2 = 13$ is a **subtraction sentence**.

You can use a number line to count back.

| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |

2 less
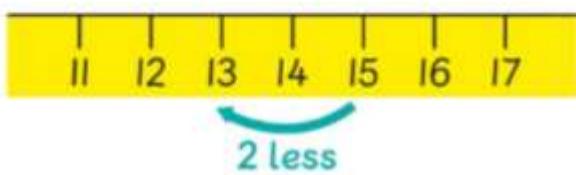
What is 2 more than 13?

15

Let's Practise

I   There are 9 frogs on the leaf.

4 of them jump off.

How many frogs are left?

5 , 6 , 7 , 8 , 9

___5___ frogs are left.

2 Subtract.

Use a number line to help you.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

a 18 − 2 = ___16___   b 17 − 3 = ___14___

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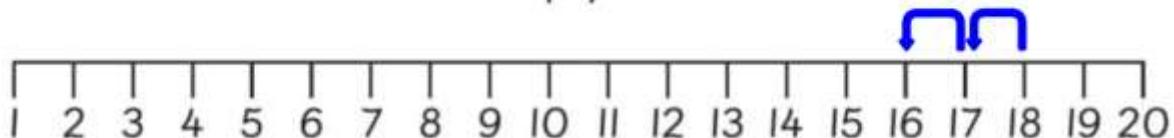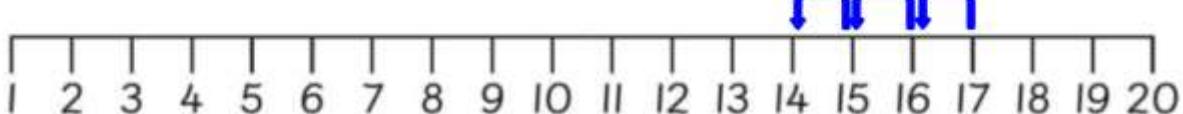
3 Caz says 9 + 3 is the same as 14 − 3.
Ron says 9 + 2 is the same as 13 − 2.

Who do you agree with? I agree with Ron.

Tell your classmate why you think so.

Use a number line.

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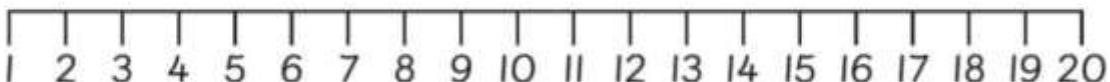
Caz is incorrect because 9 + 3 = 12 and 14 − 3 = 11.
12 and 11 are not the same.
Ron is correct because 9 + 2 = 11 and 13 − 2 = 11.
Both equals to 11 hence 9 + 2 = 13 − 2.