

Singapore 1st Grade Math Worksheet 9
Addition and Subtraction Within 40

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Math Story Problem 1

Peter had a strange dream. In his dream, he was an Arab on a huge flying carpet. On the carpet with him were 15 emus smoking cigars and 23 chimps squabbling over a poker game. A tornado came and flipped over the carpet. Before the carpet could right itself, 7 emus and 16 chimps plummeted to the earth. How many animals were left on the flying carpet?



Math Story Problem 2

A chimp, a gorilla and an ostrich met at a banana festival. The chimp, who was feeling very generous, gave the gorilla and the ostrich 3 bananas each. The gorilla and the ostrich did likewise. How many bananas changed hands?

Math Story Problem 3

Baloo was a naughty bear. He stole Adam's picnic basket. When he opened the basket, he saw 13 overripe oranges inside. There were 4 more tuna sandwiches than oranges and 7 fewer maggot-ridden apples than oranges in the basket. He ate all of them and got sick as a result. How many oranges, sandwiches and apples were in the basket?



Math Story Problem 4

Wanda the ugly witch wanted to make a powerful potion to make herself pretty. She threw in 36 newts and frogs into her cauldron. If she threw in 14 more newts than frogs, how many frogs went into the cauldron?

Math Story Problem 5

Bully Bear, a very smart animal, solved many tough math word problems during winter. When spring arrived, he chased troublesome hunters at a mathematical progression only he knew. On the 1st day, he chased 4 hunters. On the 2nd day, he chased 5 hunters. On the 3rd day, he chased 7 hunters. On the 4th day, he chased 10 hunters. How many hunters did he chase on the 7th day before he was shot?



Math Story Problem 6

The walruses had a kissing competition. Wally Walrus pecked 14 undulating octopuses. Balrus Walrus smooched 5 more odious octopuses than Wally Walrus. How many times did they pucker up altogether?

Math Story Problem 7

Martha baked some penguin pies on Sunday. She gave 6 of them to her toy dog and baked 12 more penguin pies. Sonny the bunny stole 9 of them. If Martha had 16 penguin pies left, how many did she bake at first?



Math Story Problem 8

There are 34 animals in a pool. There are 6 more mice than cats. If there are 12 dogs, how many cats are in the pool?

Math Story Problem 9

Three devilish dragons attacked a castle and gobbled up some poor knights who had been playing with marbles. Donny Dragon ate 7 fewer knights than Jacko Dragon. Billy Dragon ate 4 more knights than Donny Dragon. If Jacko Dragon ate 13 knights, how many knights did Billy Dragon eat?



Math Story Problem 10

3 men took part in an igloo building competition. Conrad, who was freezing, built 2 fewer igloos than Morgan. Tony, who was secretly helped by some penguins, built 15 more igloos than Morgan. If Conrad built 6 igloos, how many igloos did Tony build?

Math Story Problem 11

Drago Duck wanted to download some science worksheets from the internet. However, he got distracted by an online casino and tried his hand at gambling. So he gambled nonstop for 3 days. On the 1st day, he won 12 times. On the 2nd day, he won 5 fewer times than on the 1st day. He was lucky on the 3rd day because he won 8 more times than on the 1st day. How many times did he win altogether?



Math Story Problem 12

3 naughty boys dared each other to drink snail slime. They managed to drink 28 glasses of that disgusting stuff. Peter gulped down 4 fewer glasses of snail slime than Bob. Chad, who was especially thirsty, guzzled 6 more glasses than Peter. How many glasses of snail slime did Chad drink?

Math Story Problem 13

The Caveman family is a tidy family. They clean their house very often and are the envy of their neighbors. In the month of June, they vacuumed their house 30 times. Ken Caveman vacuumed the house 8 fewer times than Lucy Caveman. Baby Caveman, a very responsible girl, vacuumed the house 10 more times than Ken Caveman. How many times did Lucy Caveman vacuum the floor?



Math Story Problem 14

Some ambitious animals - tigers, gophers and porcupines - participated in a snooker competition. There were 6 more gophers than tigers, and 13 fewer tigers than porcupines. How many more porcupines than gophers played snooker?

Math Story Problem 15

There was a knight ready to fight. But nobody wanted to fight him. So he ran into a gloomy forest and slew 35 cowardly monsters. He killed 9 more orcs than trolls, and 17 fewer trolls than harpies. How many harpies did he kill?



Math Story Problem 16

Baby Croc and Baby Hippo wanted to fly some kites. Altogether they flew 36 kites. If Baby Croc flew 4 more kites than Baby Hippo, how many kites did Baby Croc fly?

Math Story Problem 17

Soro, a brave boy, lived in a faraway land called Durnia. Two years ago, he slew a dragon that tried to kidnap his pet frog. The queen of the land knighted him for his bravery. Recently, a pack of drooling werewolves attacked the kingdom. Soro killed 39 werewolves in 3 days and saved his kingdom. He massacred 17 werewolves on Monday and 11 fewer werewolves on Tuesday. How many werewolves did he kill on Wednesday?



Math Story Problem 18

Three fairies - Sara, Clara and Farah - sold gossamer wings to elephants who wanted to fly. Last week, Sara sold 12 fewer wings than Clara. Clara sold 7 more wings than Farah. If Clara sold 17 wings, how many wings did they sell altogether?

Math Story Problem 19

Sam the scout rowed out in his canoe and began fishing for old boots. At first, he was able to fish out 15 boots. He became too excited and overturned the boat. Unluckily, 8 boots fell back into the sea. Undaunted, he resumed fishing and gleefully hauled 16 black boots. How many moldy boots did he take home for supper?



Math Story Problem 20

33 giants broke down Sally's door, grabbed all her precious Harry Potter novels and flung them into a huge bonfire. Sally was infuriated. She immediately beheaded some of the giants, speared some of them and shot the rest. If she beheaded 18 giants and speared 6 fewer giants, how many giants did she shoot?

Answers

Q1 - 15, Q2 - 18, Q3 - 36, Q4 - 11, Q5 - 25

Q6 - 33, Q7 - 19, Q8 - 8, Q9 - 10, Q10 - 23

Q11 - 39, Q12 - 12, Q13 - 12, Q14 - 7, Q15 - 20

Q16 - 20, Q17 - 16, Q18 - 32, Q19 - 23, Q20 - 3