Subtraction Meanings

Dawn received a total of 12 stars on Monday and Tuesday. She received 7 of the stars on Monday. How many stars did she receive on Tuesday?

You can draw a picture to find how many stars Dawn received on Tuesday.

First, draw 12 stars.



Next, put a line through the 7 stars that Dawn received Monday.



Count the number of stars that are not crossed off.

There are 5.

So,
$$12 - 7 = 5$$
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You can add to check subtraction: 7 + 5 = 12, so 12 - 7 = 5.

Dawn received 5 stars on Tuesday.

Find each difference. Make a drawing to help you.

- **7. Estimation** There are 21 players on the Titans baseball team. Only 9 players can play at any one time. About how many players are not playing?
- 8. An octagon has 8 sides. A pentagon has 5 sides. How many more sides does an octagon have than a pentagon?