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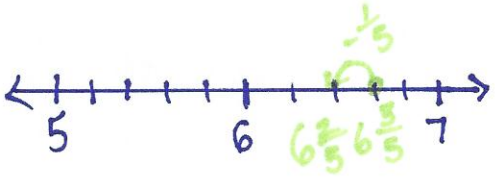
1. Subtract. Model with a number line or the arrow way.

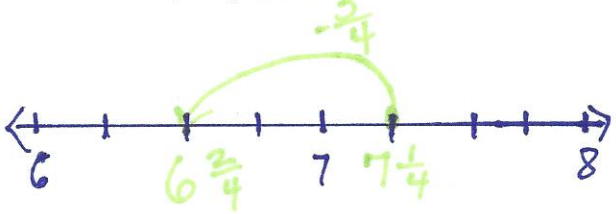
a. $6\frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{5} = 6\frac{2}{5}$



b. $4\frac{9}{12} - \frac{7}{12} = 4\frac{2}{12}$

$4\frac{9}{12} \xrightarrow{-\frac{7}{12}} 4\frac{2}{12}$

c. $7\frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} = 6\frac{2}{4}$



d. $8\frac{3}{8} - \frac{5}{8} = 7\frac{6}{8}$

$8\frac{3}{8} \xrightarrow{-\frac{3}{8}} 8 \xrightarrow{-\frac{2}{8}} 7\frac{6}{8}$

2. Use decomposition to subtract the fractions. Model with a number line or the arrow way.

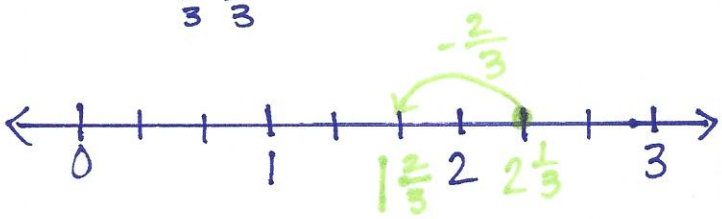
a. $2\frac{2}{5} - \frac{4}{5} = 1\frac{3}{5}$

$\frac{2}{5}$ $\frac{2}{5}$

$2\frac{2}{5} \xrightarrow{-\frac{2}{5}} 2 \xrightarrow{-\frac{2}{5}} 1\frac{3}{5}$

b. $2\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3} = 1\frac{2}{3}$

$\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{3}$



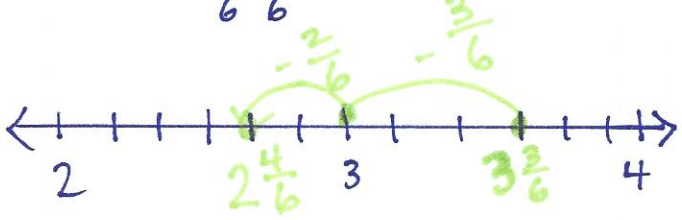
c. $4\frac{1}{6} - \frac{4}{6} = 3\frac{3}{6}$

$\frac{1}{6}$ $\frac{3}{6}$

$4\frac{1}{6} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{6}} 4 \xrightarrow{-\frac{3}{6}} 3\frac{3}{6}$

d. $3\frac{3}{6} - \frac{5}{6} = 2\frac{4}{6}$

$\frac{3}{6}$ $\frac{2}{6}$



e. $9\frac{3}{8} - \frac{7}{8} = 8\frac{4}{8}$

$\frac{3}{8}\ \frac{4}{8}$

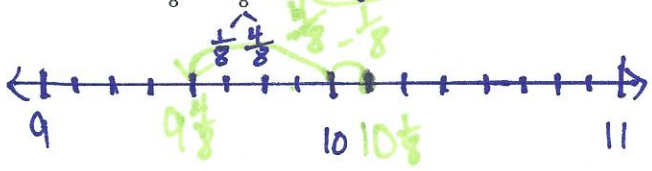
$9\frac{3}{8} \xrightarrow{-\frac{3}{8}} 9 \xrightarrow{-\frac{4}{8}} 8\frac{4}{8}$

f. $7\frac{1}{10} - \frac{6}{10} = 6\frac{5}{10}$

$\frac{1}{10}\ \frac{5}{10}$

$7\frac{1}{10} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{10}} 7 \xrightarrow{-\frac{5}{10}} 6\frac{5}{10}$

g. $10\frac{1}{8} - \frac{5}{8} = 9\frac{4}{8}$

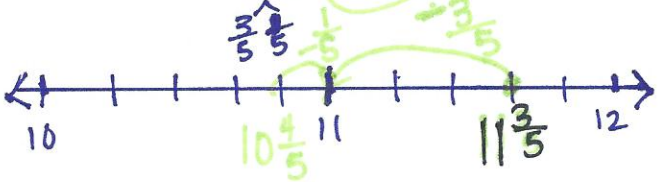


h. $9\frac{4}{12} - \frac{7}{12} = 8\frac{9}{12}$

$\frac{4}{12}\ \frac{3}{12}$

$9\frac{4}{12} \xrightarrow{-\frac{4}{12}} 9 \xrightarrow{-\frac{3}{12}} 8\frac{9}{12}$

i. $11\frac{3}{5} - \frac{4}{5} = 10\frac{4}{5}$



j. $17\frac{1}{9} - \frac{5}{9} = 16\frac{5}{9}$

$\frac{1}{9}\ \frac{4}{9}$

$17\frac{1}{9} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{9}} 17 \xrightarrow{-\frac{4}{9}} 16\frac{5}{9}$

3. Decompose the total to subtract the fractions.

a. $4\frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{8} = 3\frac{1}{8} + \frac{5}{8} = 3\frac{6}{8}$

$3\frac{1}{8}$ 1 Answer provided

b. $5\frac{2}{5} - \frac{3}{5} = 4\frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{5} = 4\frac{4}{5}$

$4\frac{2}{5}$ 1

c. $7\frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{8} = 6\frac{1}{8} + \frac{5}{8} = 6\frac{6}{8}$

$6\frac{1}{8}$ 1

d. $3\frac{3}{9} - \frac{4}{9} = 2\frac{3}{9} + \frac{5}{9} = 2\frac{8}{9}$

$2\frac{3}{9}$ 1

e. $6\frac{3}{10} - \frac{7}{10} = 5\frac{3}{10} + \frac{3}{10} = 5\frac{6}{10}$

$5\frac{3}{10}$ 1

f. $2\frac{5}{9} - \frac{8}{9} = 1\frac{5}{9} + \frac{1}{9} = 1\frac{6}{9}$

$1\frac{5}{9}$ 1