

Maya's Spring Garden Subtraction Adventure

Grade 1

math

spring

Students will use subtraction within 20 to solve word problems set in a spring adventure story.

Name: _____

Date: _____

1. Maya finds 8 rare seeds. She drops 3 seeds. How many seeds does Maya have? Show your work: $8 - 3 =$

2. Maya spots 6 unique flowers. She picks 2 flowers. Fill in the blank: $6 - 2 =$ ____

3. True or False? Maya has 9 special stones. She uses 4 stones. Maya has 6 left. Circle: TRUE or FALSE

4. Maya finds a rare nest. It has 10 eggs. Seven eggs hatch. How many eggs are left? Show your work: $10 - 7 =$ ____

5. Maya digs up 12 hidden treasure coins. She gives 5 coins away. How many coins does Maya keep? Show your work: $12 - 5 =$ ____

6. Maya finds 15 unique gems. The stream washes 8 away. How many gems stay? Show your work: $15 - 8 =$

7. Maya collects 14 rare petals. Wind blows 9 petals off. Complete the pattern: $14 - 9 =$ ____, so Maya has ____ petals.

8. Maya reaches the hidden treasure chest! It holds 20 special gems. Maya uses 11 gems to open the gate. How many gems does Maya bring home? Show every step. $20 - 11 =$ ____. Maya brings home ____ gems and wins her spring quest!

Answer Key: Maya's Spring Garden Subtraction Adventure

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Before Q1, ask students: 'If Maya finds 8 rare seeds but drops 3, how many stay?' This primes the subtraction thinking students will use across all 8 questions on this worksheet.

1. Maya finds 8 rare seeds. She drops 3 seeds. How many seeds does Maya have? Show your work: $8 - 3 = \underline{\quad}$
Answer: Q1: 8 rare seeds - 3 dropped = 5 rare seeds. Maya has 5 seeds.
2. Maya spots 6 unique flowers. She picks 2 flowers. Fill in the blank: $6 - 2 = \underline{\quad}$
Answer: Q2: 6 unique flowers - 2 picked = 4 unique flowers. The answer is 4.
3. True or False? Maya has 9 special stones. She uses 4 stones. Maya has 6 left. Circle: TRUE or FALSE
Answer: Q3: 9 special stones - 4 used = 5 stones left. Maya has 5, not 6. The answer is FALSE.
4. Maya finds a rare nest. It has 10 eggs. Seven eggs hatch. How many eggs are left? Show your work: $10 - 7 = \underline{\quad}$
Answer: Q4: 10 eggs - 7 hatched = 3 eggs left. Maya sees 3 eggs still in the rare nest.
5. Maya digs up 12 hidden treasure coins. She gives 5 coins away. How many coins does Maya keep? Show your work: $12 - 5 = \underline{\quad}$
Answer: Q5: 12 hidden treasure coins - 5 given away = 7 coins. Maya keeps 7 coins.
6. Maya finds 15 unique gems. The stream washes 8 away. How many gems stay? Show your work: $15 - 8 = \underline{\quad}$
Answer: Q6: 15 unique gems - 8 washed away = 7 gems. Maya has 7 gems left.
7. Maya collects 14 rare petals. Wind blows 9 petals off. Complete the pattern: $14 - 9 = \underline{\quad}$, so Maya has petals.
Answer: Q7: 14 rare petals - 9 blown away = 5 petals. Maya has 5 petals left.
8. Maya reaches the hidden treasure chest! It holds 20 special gems. Maya uses 11 gems to open the gate. How many gems does Maya bring home? Show every step. $20 - 11 = \underline{\quad}$. Maya brings home gems and wins her spring quest!
Answer: Q8: 20 special gems - 11 used to open the gate = 9 gems. Maya brings home 9 gems and completes her spring adventure quest!