

## STORY PROBLEMS

### What are Story Problems?

- Story problems are a set of sentences that give you the information to a problem that you need to solve.
- With a story problem, it is your job to figure out whether you will use addition or subtraction to solve the problem.

### How to Solve Story Problems:

- When solving story problems, it is best to look at the words that are being used. These **words will give you clues** to whether you will need to use addition or subtraction to solve the problem.

| Add                         | Subtract         |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| in all, together, more than | fewer, less than |

### Try This

Solve these

Mary has 6  
pieces of c

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Tim has 8 pens. Jan has 3 **fewer** than Tim. How many pens does Jan have?

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Randy has 4 gumballs. He buys 5 **more**. How many gumballs does Randy have now?

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Kate's mom made 12 cookies. Kate ate 6 cookies. How many cookies are left?

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