

To find a small difference by counting on from a smaller number.

Write the numbers that will add to...

10

9

2

10

0

5

1

8

20

15

5

20

0

4

16

1

12

$$11 - 8 = ?$$

Find the answer to this sum, and think about what you did to work it out.

$$11 - 8 = 3$$

You can find this answer by re-arranging this sum,

$$8 + ? = 11$$

and counting up from the smaller number to the higher number.

Lets try another sum.

$$21 - 19 = ?$$

Re-arrange the sum.

$$19 + ? = 21.$$

Count up from the smaller number to the higher number.

Lets try an even harder sum.

$$504 - 498 = ?$$

Re-arrange the sum.

$$498 + ? = 504.$$

Count up from the smaller number to the highest number.

Answer:

$$504 - 498 = 6$$

Use the counting up method to find the answer to these sums.

$$10 - 9 = ?$$

$$20 - 17 = ?$$

$$42 - 38 = ?$$

$$52 - 49 = ?$$

$$101 - 97 = ?$$

$$604 - 599 = ?$$