

SUBTRACTION WORD PROBLEMS

Read the math story and use drawing or number bond to show how you know who is right.

1) a) Alex says that the expressions 16 - 4 and 17 - 7 are equal. Anthony says they are not equal. Who is right?

b) Alex says that the expressions 18 – 4 and 15 – 1 are not equal. Anthony says they are equal. Who is right.

c) Anthony says that to solve 14 - 7, I can take 3 from 14 and give it to 7 to make it 10. So, 14 - 7 is equal to 11 - 10. Alex thinks Anthony made a mistake. Who is correct?

d) Alex and Anthony are trying to find several subtraction number sentences that start with number larger than 10 and always have an answer of 4. Help them figure out the number sentences. They started the first one.