

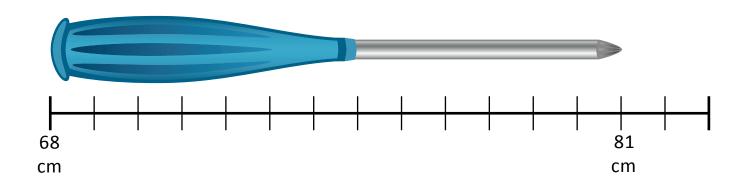
FINDING VALUES ON METER STRIPS

Each unit length on both number lines is 10 centimeters. (Note: Number lines not drawn to scale).

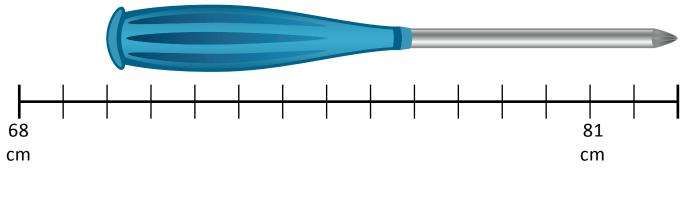
 Vincent's meter strip got cut off at 68 centimeters. To measure the length of his screwdriver, he writes "81 cm - 68 cm" Alicia says it's easier to move the screwdriver over 2 centimeters. What is Alicia's subtraction sentence? Explain why she's correct.

Solution:

Vincent's idea:



Alicia's idea:



Alicia's subtraction sentence = $_$ – $_$ = $_$ cm.

Explanation:

Alicia is correct because she added 2 for both numbers to the Vincent's subtraction sentence (81 - 68).

And it is so easy to do subtraction by making a number into tens.

