

# Back to School Addition & Subtraction Word Problems - Answer Key

2nd Grade - back to school addition and subtraction word problems | 15 minutes

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**Read each problem. Write a number sentence, solve, and label your answer.**

Example: A teacher had 36 pencils and bought 28 more:  $36 + 28 = 64$  pencils.

1. A teacher had 36 pencils and bought 28 more. How many pencils in all?

**Answer:  $36 + 28 = 64$  pencils**

2. There were 45 books on the shelf. Students borrowed 19. How many are left?

**Answer:  $45 - 19 = 26$  books**

3. Class A has 24 students and Class B has 27. How many students in both classes?

**Answer:  $24 + 27 = 51$  students**

4. A box had 50 crayons. 16 were broken and thrown away. How many are left?

**Answer:  $50 - 16 = 34$  crayons**

5. Maria put 18 markers in one bin and 23 in another. How many markers in all?

**Answer:  $18 + 23 = 41$  markers**

6. There were 60 glue sticks. 35 were handed out. How many remain?

**Answer:  $60 - 35 = 25$  glue sticks**

## Challenge

7. You had 30 stickers, gave 12 to friends, then earned 8 more. How many now?

**Answer:  $30 - 12 = 18$ , then  $18 + 8 = 26$  stickers**

8. Class A has 24 students and Class B has 27. How many more are in Class B?

**Answer:  $27 - 24 = 3$  more students**