Name: _____

✂️ Take Away!

Read the story. Cross out the pictures that go away (an X on each one). Count what is left and write it in the box.

5 cupcakes. 2 get eaten.
Cross out 2.



5 − 2 = ☐

4 balloons. 1 pops!
Cross out 1.



4 − 1 = ☐

6 frogs. 3 hop away.
Cross out 3.



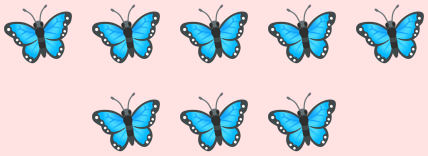
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7 cookies. 2 get eaten.
Cross out 2.



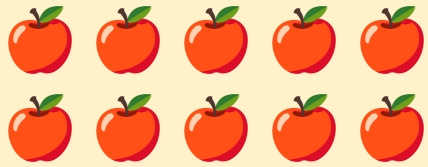
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8 butterflies. 4 fly away.
Cross out 4.



8 − 4 = ☐

10 apples. 5 fall down.
Cross out 5.



10 − 5 = ☐

💡 **For grown-ups: why it works.** Crossing out turns "take away" into something children can see and do. They count what is left instead of guessing. The number sentence under each picture connects the action to the written math.