

Parent Tip

“Counting On”

The next subtracting math fact strategy that your child has learned is “Counting On”.

Meet “Catwoman”



Catwoman has a love-hate relationship with Batman. Sometimes she helps him, other times she is a villain.

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Counting on is a good strategy to use when the numbers in the subtraction number sentence are close together.

When you use the “counting on” strategy you count on from the smaller number to the larger number.

Example: $15 - 13 = ?$, *think*



I put the 13 in my head and count on to 15. So 13...14, 15, so the answer is 2.

Example: $5 - 4 = ?$, *think*



I put the 4 in my head and count on to 5. So 4...5, so the answer is 1.