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SUBTRACTION WORD PROBLEMS

Jack and Jill both solved the word problems. Write the strategy used under their work. Check their work. If in correct, Solve correctly. If solved correctly, solve using a different strategy.

Toby ate 5 cupcakes from the plate. If the plate has 12 cupcakes, how many cupcakes are left?

Jack's work

$$12 - 5 = 7$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ 10 \quad 2 \end{array}$$

Strategy : _____

Jill's work

$$5 + ? = 12$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ 10 \quad 2 \end{array}$$

$$? = 7$$

Strategy : _____

a.

$$12 - 5$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ 10 \quad 2 \end{array}$$

7

b.

$$12 - 5$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ 10 \quad 2 \end{array}$$

$$10 - 5 = 5$$

$$5 + 2 = 7$$