

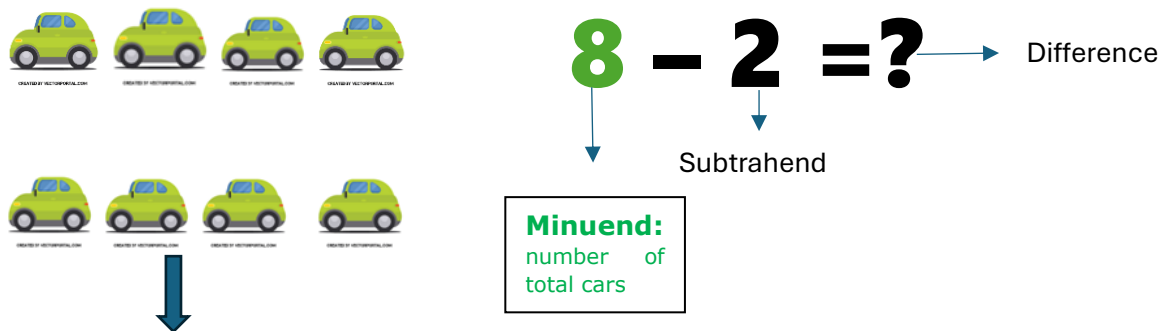
Minuend

Formal definition: A number from which another number (*subtrahend*) is to be subtracted. (Definition from: Merriam-Webster website).

Kid-friendly explanation: In a subtraction sentence, we have three numbers: **Minuend**, **Subtrahend**, and **Difference**. We can identify the **Minuend** in a subtraction problem because it is the first and the biggest or whole number in the subtraction sentence. It is also called the "from" number.

Example from a subtraction problem:

Let's say you had 8 toy cars to play, and you gave 2 of your cars to your brother. Now, you want to know how many cars you do have left. Here, you will need to use a subtraction sentence like this:



Here the 8 toy cars are the **Minuend** number. As you see it is the first number and the biggest number in the subtraction sentence.

Let's practice:

1. Click here in the link

<https://www.starfall.com/h/addsub/sub-machine-L2/?>

2. Here you will practice subtraction, remember the first number they give us in the equation is the **MINUEND**, this number is always the **biggest** number in the equation and is from the one we take away.

The image shows a subtraction practice interface. At the top left, there are three gold stars. In the center, a blue machine displays the equation $17 - 2 =$. A red arrow points to the number 17, which is labeled "Minuend". Below the machine are two containers: a yellow one with 17 red beads and a pink one with 2 pink beads. To the right of the machine are three hexagonal buttons with numbers 20, 15, and 17. At the bottom of the interface is a number line from 0 to 20. A green truck is on the left and a red truck is on the right.

Resources:

- ✓ Definition from: Merriam-Webster website
- ✓ Image https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=images&cd=&cad=rjauact=8&ved=2ahUKEwigieewt7SHAxXz5MkDHUu8BRo4ChCH7Ap6BAhJEAM&url=https%3A%2F%2Fvectorportal.com%2Fvector%2Fgreen-car-icon-vector.ai%2F34121&usq=AOvVaw20-I9U5mUeYgFk6lC_jIrQ&cshid=1721437747017190&opi=89978449
- ✓ Practice: <https://www.starfall.com/h/addsub/sub-machine-L2/>