

A Bit Stuck? Count back or Frog?

Things you will need:

- Two large pieces of card
- Scissors
- Subtraction cards



What to do:

- Write the headings 'Count back' and 'Frog' at the top of two large pieces of paper; one heading on each piece of paper.
- Cut out the eight Subtraction cards.
- Sort the subtractions according to which strategy you think would be the most efficient to use to find the answer. If unsure, try both strategies then discuss which you found most efficient.
- Solve all of the subtractions. Remember that there is no 'right' or 'wrong' strategy to solve a given calculation, just that we might find it is more efficiently solved using one method than another.

S-t-r-e-t-c-h:

Use the blank cards to write at least one more question for each heading.

Learning outcomes:

- I can reason about my choice of strategy to solve subtractions.

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$$5.7 - 1.2$$

$$5.7 - 0.9$$

$$5.7 - 2.1$$

$$4.5 - 2.2$$

$$4.5 - 1.9$$

$$4.5 - 3.8$$

$$4.5 - 3.1$$

$$5.2 - 4.9$$