Subtraction Word Problems

Read the story, work out what is left, and write it on the line.

1. Nora baked 24 muffins. Her family ate 9 of them at breakfast. How many muffins are left?

Answer: _____ muffins

2. There were 42 birds in the tree. 17 flew away. How many birds are still in the tree?

Answer: _____ birds

3. Ben had 35 marbles in a jar. He gave 12 to his cousin to play with. How many marbles does Ben have now?

Answer: _____ marbles

4. A bus was carrying 28 passengers. 11 passengers got off at the first stop. How many passengers are on the bus now?

Answer: _____ passengers

5. The garden had 46 flowers. A rabbit nibbled 18 of them. How many flowers are left?

Answer: _____ flowers

6. Jack scored 53 points in a game. His best friend scored 29 points. How many more points did Jack score?

Answer: _____ points