Subtraction and Unknown Addends (to 20)- Step-by-Step Lesson
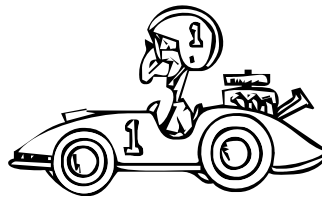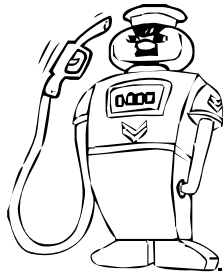
Lesson 1 Subtraction Problem:

Mr. George has 5 gallons of fuel in his car. His fuel tank has a capacity of 11 gallons. How many gallons are needed to fill the fuel tank?
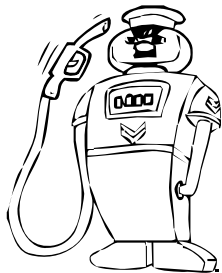
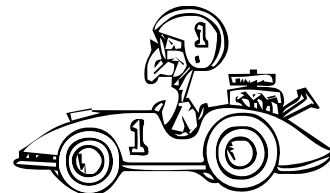## Explanation:

First we look that what is being asked.

"How many gallons are needed to fill the fuel tank?"

The problem asks for the amount fuel needed to fill the tank. Subtract the gallons of fuel in the tank (5) from the size of tank (11). If we add the fuel with the quantity of fuel the car had. We will get the same answer.

$$5 + \underline{} = 11$$

$$(11 - 5 = 6)$$

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