Subtraction with Unlike Denominators

COMMON CORE STANDARD CC.5.NF.2

Use equivalent fractions as a strategy to add and subtract fractions.

Use fraction strips to find the difference. Write your answer in simplest form.

1.
$$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}$$

2.
$$\frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{8}$$

3.
$$\frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{6} - \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{6}$$

5.
$$\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{4}$$

6.
$$\frac{4}{5} - \frac{1}{2}$$

7.
$$\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3}$$

4. $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{5}$

8.
$$\frac{5}{8} - \frac{1}{2}$$

9.
$$\frac{7}{10} - \frac{1}{2}$$

10.
$$\frac{9}{10} - \frac{2}{5}$$

11.
$$\frac{5}{8} - \frac{1}{4}$$

12.
$$\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2}$$

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- **13.** Amber had $\frac{3}{8}$ of a cake left after her party. She wrapped a piece that was $\frac{1}{4}$ of the original cake for her best friend. What fractional part did she have left for herself?
- **14.** Wesley bought $\frac{1}{2}$ pound of nails for a project. When he finished the project, he had $\frac{1}{4}$ pound of the nails left. How many pounds of nails did he use?

*TEST PREP

Lesson Check (CC.5.NF.2)

- 1. A meatloaf recipe calls for $\frac{7}{8}$ cup of bread crumbs for the loaf and the topping. If $\frac{3}{4}$ cup is used for the loaf, what fraction of a cup is used for the topping?
 - \bigcirc $\frac{4}{4}$ cup
 - $\bigcirc B \frac{4}{8} \text{ cup}$
 - $\bigcirc \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{cup}$
 - \bigcirc $\frac{1}{8}$ cup

- 2. Hannah bought $\frac{3}{4}$ yard of felt for a project. She used $\frac{1}{8}$ yard. What fraction of a yard of felt did she have left over?
 - \bigcirc $\frac{2}{8}$ yard
 - \bigcirc $\frac{4}{8}$ yard
 - $\bigcirc \frac{5}{8}$ yard
 - \bigcirc $\frac{5}{4}$ yards

Spiral Review (CC.5.NBT.2, CC.5.NBT.4, CC.5.NBT.7, CC.5.NF.3)

- **3.** Jasmine's race time was 34.287 minutes. Round her race time to the nearest tenth of a minute. (Lesson 3.4)
 - A 34.3 minutes
 - B 34.2 minutes
 - © 34.0 minutes
 - (D) 30.0 minutes

- 4. The Art Club is having a fund-raiser, and 198 people are attending. If 12 people can sit at each table, what is the least number of tables needed? (Lesson 2.7)
 - (A) 15
 - **B** 16
 - **©** 17
 - **D** 20
- 5. During the day, Sam spent \$4.85 on lunch. He also bought 2 books for \$7.95 each. At the end of the day, he had \$8.20 left. How much money did he start with? (Lesson 4.5)
 - **A** \$12.80
 - **B** \$20.75
 - © \$21.00
 - **D** \$28.95

- What is the product of 7.5 and 1,000? (Lesson 4.1)
 - **A** 0.0075
 - **B** 0.075
 - **©** 7,500
 - **D** 75,000