Subtraction

Grade 2 Word Problems Worksheet

Read and answer each question.

The post office was having a busy time as everyone was sending out presents and cards to their loved ones before Christmas.

1. Before the post office opened on Monday morning, there were 80 packs of stamps. At the end of the day, there were 53 packs of stamps left. How many packs of stamps were sold on Monday?

2. 87 postcards and 76 parcels were received on Tuesday. In the morning, the mail truck took away 24 parcels. In the afternoon, the mail truck took away another 19 parcels. How many parcels are left to in the post office?

3. On Wednesday, 45 packages were sent in for pick up. 9 of the packages had the “fragile” label and 8 of the packages required the recipient’s signature. How many packages did not require signature?

4. On Thursday, 70 customers visited the post office. On Friday, there were 6 customers less than the number of customers on Thursday. On Saturday, there were 14 customers less than the number of customers on Friday. How many customers visited the post office on Saturday?

5. On Sunday, 80 letters were received at the post office. However, 9 letters were not addressed properly and needed to be returned and 7 letters did not have enough stamps. How many letters could be mailed out successfully?

6. Write the subtraction sentence that fits this: “2 mail trucks were ready to pick up mails. There are 27 bags of mails to be picked up. One truck picked up 14 bags, which left 13 bags of mail for the other truck to pickup.”
Answers

1. $80 - 53 = 27$
   They received 60 boxes of crackers in total.

2. $76 - 24 - 19 = 33$
   There were 33 parcels left.

3. $45 - 8 = 37$
   37 packages did not require recipient’s signature.

4. $70 - 6 - 14 = 50$
   50 customers visited the post office on Saturday.

5. $80 - 9 - 7 = 64$
   64 letters could be mailed out successfully.

6. $27 - 14 = 13$