Subtraction word problems
Grade 3 Math Word Problems Worksheet

Read and answer each question.

Alicia loves collecting art. She has a whole house filled with all the art she had obtained since she was a little kid. When she decided to move away, she started donating some of her art to different museums.

1. The first museum she went to was the Metropolitan Museum in New York. She donated 46 medieval art pieces from the 70 she originally had. How many medieval art pieces did she have left?

2. The next museum on her list was the Guggenheim, also in New York. There she gave 51 Egyptian masks from her collection of 90. She also gave the 12 Egyptian weavings. How many masks were left in Alicia’s collection?

3. After New York, she visited the Smithsonian in Washington DC. If she has 63 miniature aircrafts and she gave away 49 to the National Air and Space Museum, how many are left with her?

4. She also decided to contribute to the collection of the Museum of Natural History. After donating some of her bug collection, she was left with 39 bug species. If she originally has 98 bug species, how many did she donate?

5. Her last stop was the post office. There she sent her rock collection to the Geological Museum in London. She was left with her 15 favorite stones after shipping away a part of her collection. If she originally has 78 stones in her collection, how many did she send away?
Answers:

1. \(70 - 46 = 24\)
   There were 24 medieval art pieces were left with her.

2. \(90 - 51 = 39\)
   There were 39 masks were left in Alicia’s collection.

3. \(63 - 49 = 14\)
   Alicia has 14 miniature aircrafts left with her.

4. \(98 - 39 = 59\)
   She donated 59 bug species.

5. \(78 - 15 = 63\)
   She sent away 63 stones from her collection.