I am going to give you some subtraction calculations.

Discuss with your friends or teacher why some are easier to do than others.

Eg. The first of these sums is easier because each digit in the top line is bigger than each digit in the bottom line.

The second sum is harder because we need to take some from the tens into the units before we can begin.

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\begin{array}{r} 78 \\ -36 \\ \hline \end{array}
\qquad
\begin{array}{r} 63 \\ -29 \\ \hline \end{array}
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1.

a.
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\begin{array}{r} 99 \\ -57 \\ \hline \end{array}
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b.
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\begin{array}{r} 62 \\ -22 \\ \hline \end{array}
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c.
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\begin{array}{r} 85 \\ -37 \\ \hline \end{array}
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d.
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\begin{array}{r} 64 \\ -28 \\ \hline \end{array}
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e.
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\begin{array}{r} 80 \\ -70 \\ \hline \end{array}
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f.
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\begin{array}{r} 36 \\ -28 \\ \hline \end{array}
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2. Describe how you would answer this problem:

John and Paula do jobs for their parents.
John does three jobs and earns 60p for each job.
Paula does four jobs and earns 70p for each job.
How much did they earn altogether?

Answers

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1. Children's own ideas.

2. Something like:

60p × 3

<u>70p × 4</u>

Add them up