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3. There were 879 fish swimming in the river and 455 were caught by fishermen. How many fish were left swimming in the river?
4. Toys-R-Us had 340 Elmo books on the shelves. After Christmas, 220 books were sold. How many Elmo books were left after Christmas?
5. There were 242 people at the carnival on a summer day. Of those people, 112 were wearing hats. How many people were not wearing hats?
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**211 kids**
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**424 fish**
4. Toys-R-Us had 340 Elmo books on the shelves. After Christmas, 220 books were sold. How many Elmo books were left after Christmas?  
**120 books**
5. There were 242 people at the carnival on a summer day. Of those people, 112 were wearing hats. How many people were not wearing hats?  
**130 people**
6. Sally made \$257 at her yard sale. She spent \$53 on a new video game. How much money did she have left from her profit?  
**\$204 left**