Compare with Addition or Subtraction

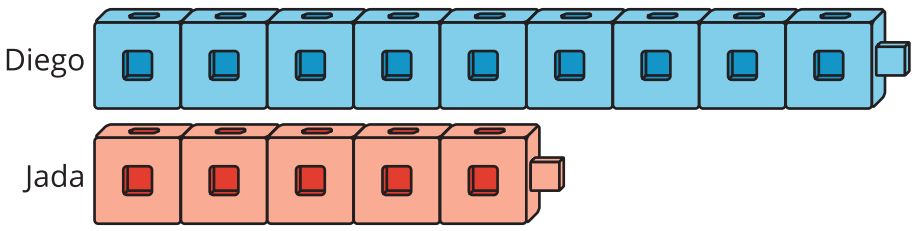
Let's show different ways to solve story problems.

Activity 1

Cube Towers

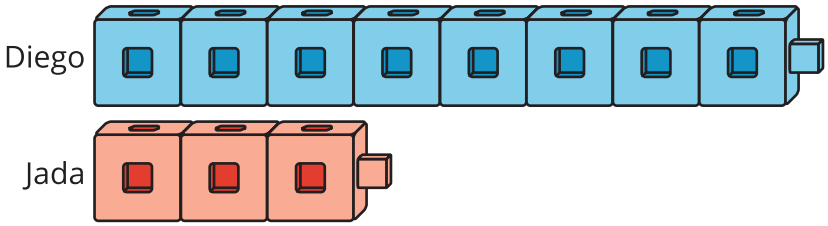
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   Show your thinking using drawings, numbers, or words.



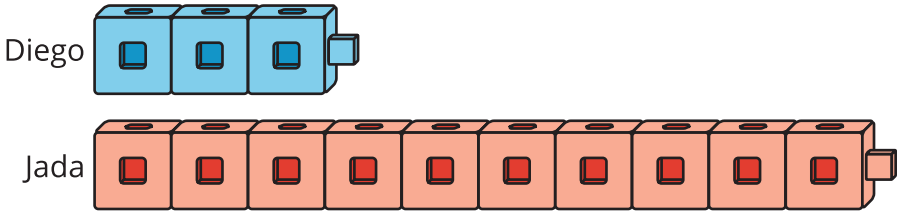
2. How many more cubes does Diego have?

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3. How many fewer cubes does Diego have?

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Activity 2

Cube Tower Problems

Work with your partner to solve each problem.
One partner should try Lin's way.
One partner should try Kiran's way.

Show your thinking using drawings, numbers, or words.

1. Lin makes a tower with 3 cubes.
   Kiran makes a tower with 9 cubes.
   How many more cubes are in Kiran's tower?

   Lin's Way

   Think: "How many more cubes can I add to 3 cubes to get 9?"

   Kiran's Way

   Think: "How many are left if I take away 3 cubes from 9?"

2. Lin's tower has 7 cubes.
   Kiran's tower has 3 cubes.
   How many more cubes are in Lin's tower?

3. Lin's tower has 2 cubes.
   Kiran's tower has 9 cubes.
   How many fewer cubes are in Lin's tower?