






# Hands On: Subtraction Stories

**TAKS Objective 1**  
**TEKS 1.3A**

Show the story with counters.

Write the numbers.




1. The man has **5** .  
**2**  blow away.  
 How many  are left?

\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ blew away  
 \_\_\_\_\_  left

3. Kate has **4** carrots.  
 She eats **2** carrots.  
 How many are left?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ carrots \_\_\_\_\_ carrots  
 eaten \_\_\_\_\_ carrots left

5. Beth has **5** green balloons  
 and **4** red balloons.  
 Then **3** green balloons pop.  
 Circle the number that tells  
 how many green balloons  
 Beth has left.

9      6      2

2. Del has **2** .  
 He gives **1**  to his friend.  
 How many  are left?

\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ given away  
 \_\_\_\_\_  left

4. There are **3** eggs in the nest.  
**1** egg hatches.  
 How many eggs are left?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ eggs \_\_\_\_\_ egg  
 hatched \_\_\_\_\_ eggs

6. Ted has **8** big marbles and  
**6** small marbles.  
 Ted loses **2** small marbles.  
 Circle the number that tells  
 how many small marbles  
 Ted has left.

4      8      14