

# A Magical Muddle

## Addition and Subtraction Challenge Cards



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1

There are 5 witches in the classroom.  
4 more witches walk in.

How many witches  
are there in the  
classroom now?



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2

Mimi puts 7 bugs into her cauldron.  
She then drops in 3 more.



How many bugs are in her cauldron now?

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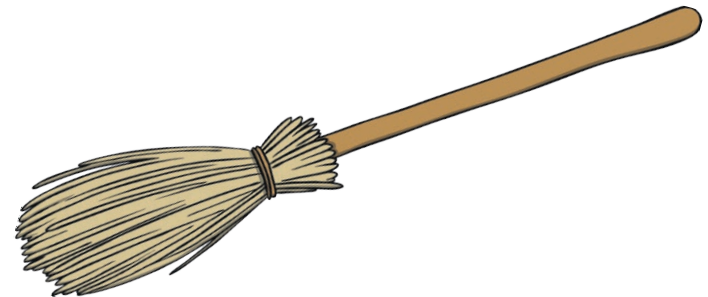
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3

10 witches try to fly their broomsticks.  
6 witches fall off their broomsticks.

How many witches do not fall off?



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4

Tabitha has 8 wands.  
She breaks 3 of them  
casting a spell.



How many wands does Tabitha have left?

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5

Freya's spell needs  
20 flowers.

9 flowers are blue,  
5 are yellow, the  
rest are red.



How many flowers  
are red?

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6

The Head Witch spends  
12 minutes watching flying  
lessons and 23 minutes  
watching potions lessons.



How many minutes does  
the Head Witch spend  
watching lessons in total?

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7

There are 20 spellbooks on the top shelf  
of a bookcase.

There are 13 fewer books  
on the bottom shelf.



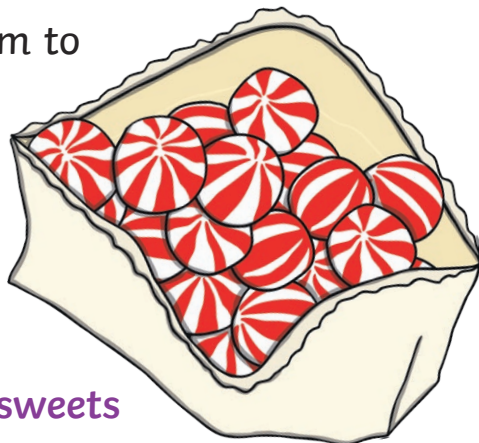
How many spellbooks are  
on the bottom shelf?

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8

Agnes has 26 boiled sweets.

She gives 16 of them to her friends.



How many boiled sweets does she have left?

9

Miss Brewer asks the witches to do 24 minutes of homework each day of the weekend.

In total, how many minutes of homework do the witches have to do?



10

A spellbook has some important pages missing.

There should be 60 pages in the book altogether but there are only 21.

How many pages are missing?



11

Tabitha practises 35 spells altogether on Monday and Tuesday.

She practises 13 spells on Monday.

How many spells does she practise on Tuesday?



12

There are 53 bats in the school attic.

15 fly out at 9 o'clock.

Another 15 fly out at  
10 o'clock.



How many bats are left in the attic?

### Answers

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|---------------|---------------------|
| 1. 9 witches  | 7. 7 spellbooks     |
| 2. 10 bugs    | 8. 10 boiled sweets |
| 3. 4 witches  | 9. 48 minutes       |
| 4. 5 wands    | 10. 39 pages        |
| 5. 6 flowers  | 11. 22 spells       |
| 6. 35 minutes | 12. 23 bats         |