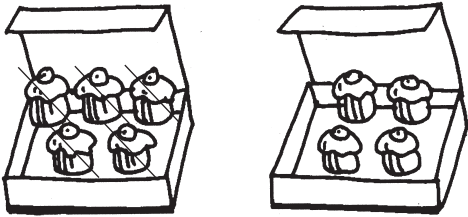# Unit 4 : Subtraction Within 10
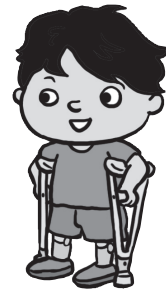
Friendly Notes

Subtraction

Subtraction means **taking away**.

Let us make a subtraction story.

Cross out 5 cupcakes.

There are **9** cupcakes.
Jack eats **5** cupcakes.
4 cupcakes are left.

We write the subtraction equation:

9 – 5 = 4

Subtract 5 from 9.
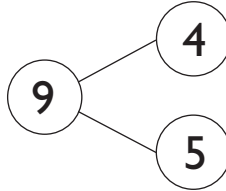The answer is 4.

We say:
"Nine minus five equals four."
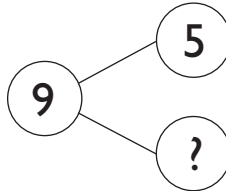
'–' means 'subtract'.

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Methods of Subtraction

We can use number bonds to show subtraction.

$9 = 4 + 5$
$9 - 4 = 5$

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Subtract 5 from 9 to find the missing number.

We can count backwards to subtract.

Subtract 4 from 10.
Begin with 10 and count backwards.

$- 4$

$- 1$ $- 1$ $- 1$ $- 1$

| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |