2 Step Addition and Subtraction Problems

1. The cinema has 700 seats. 113 adults and 276 children come to see the film. How many empty seats are there?

113 + 276 = 389

700 – 389 = 311

311 empty seats

1. Dorothy is saying her money for a new bike costing £286. If she already has £39 and is then given £59 for her birthday, how much more does she need to save?

39 + 59 = 98

286 – 98 = 188

£188

1. A study of 900 people found that 687 were right handed, 174 were left handed and the remainder were ambidextrous (could write with either hand). How many were ambidextrous?

687 + 174 = 861

900 – 861 = 39

39 people are ambidextrous

1. The crisp factory needs to make 875 bags an hour. If a machine breaks down and the factory only makes 323 bags in one hour, how many does it need to make in the next hour to catch up?

875 – 323 = 552

875 + 552 = 1427

1427 bags of crisp

1. Dave earns £1485 a month as a bus driver and his wife earn £1760 as a teacher. Is Dave get a pay rise of £217 a month, how much less than his wife does he earn?

1485 + 217 =1702

1760 – 1702 = 58

£58 less a month0than his wife

1. If William Shakespeare was born in 1564 and lived to be 52 years old, how many years ago did he die?

1564 + 52 = 1616

2020 – 1616 = 404 404 years ago