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# MISSING NUMBER SUBTRACTION CHALLENGE

Can you find the missing numbers? Use the detectives to help!

1. $8 - 3 = \square$	2. $\square - 4 = 1$	3. $5 - \square = 2$	4. $10 - \square = 4$
5. $\square - 1 = 7$	6. $6 - 4 = \square$	7. $9 - \square = 0$	8. $\square - 5 = 3$
9. $7 - 3 = \square$	10. $9 - \square = 9$	11. $\square - 5 = 4$	12. $\square - 3 = 8$
13. $\square - 5 = 8$	14. $9 - \square = 7$	15. $2 - \square = 6$	16. $9 - \square = 5$
17. $\square - 2 = 6$	18. $8 - \square = 6$	19. $\square - 5 = 4$	20. $\square - 2 = 4$

## MATH DETECTIVE CHALLENGE

21. I have 10 apples. I gave some away.  
Now I have 6. How many did I give?

$\square - \square = \square \rightarrow$  I gave  $\square$  apples.

22. There were 8 birds on a wire.  
Some flew away. There are 2 left.  
How many flew away?

$\square - \square = \square \rightarrow$   $\square$  flew away.

23. Find the pattern:  $9 - 1 = 8$ ,  $8 - 1 = 7$ ,  
 $7 - 1 = 6$ . What is next?

What is next?  $\square - 1 = \square$

24. Think! My answer is 4.  
My subtrahend is 2. What number  
did I start with?

$\square - 2 = 4$