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## Writing Equations for Addition and Subtraction Word Problems.....

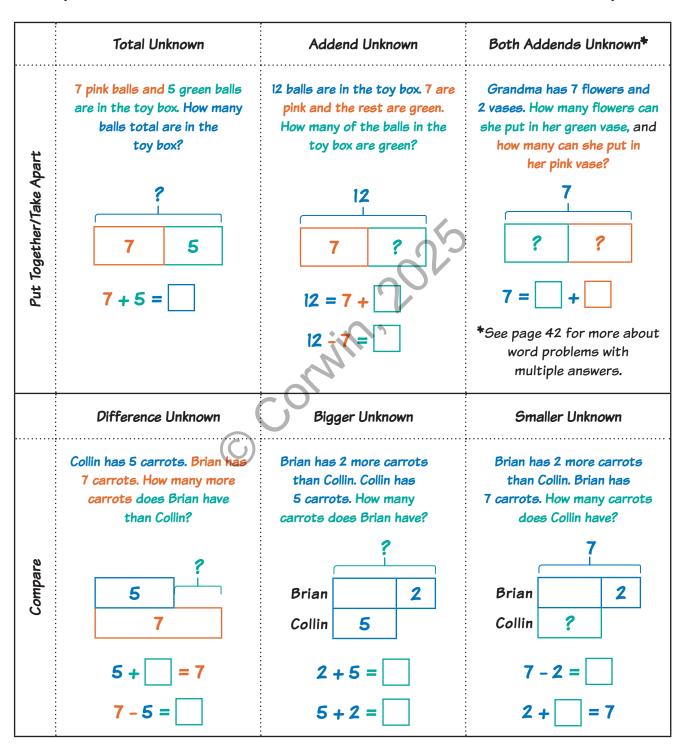
A word problem can have the *variable* or unknown number in different places.

	Result Unknown	Start Unknown	Change Unknown
Add To	5 bunnies sat on the grass. 7 more bunnies hopped over. How many bunnies are on the grass now?  ?  5 7  5 + 7 =	Some bunnies were sitting on the grass. 7 more bunnies hopped over. Then there were 12 bunnies. How many bunnies were on the grass before?	5 bunnies were sitting on the grass. Some more bunnies hopped over. Now there are 12 bunnies. How many bunnies hopped over?  12  5 ?  5+==12
Take From	12 apples were on the table.  I ate 5 apples. How many apples are on the table now?  12  5  ?  12 -5 =	Some apples were on the table. I ate 5 apples. Then there were 7 apples. How many apples were there before?  ? 5 7  -5 = 7	12 apples were on the table. I ate some of them, leaving 7 apples. How many apples did I eat?  12 ? 7

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