

Subtracting decimals word problems

Sheet 2

1. Ian uses 1.89m of a 2.4m strip of wood. How much is left?
2. Natalia is trying to match the class long jump record of 2.34m. Her longest jump so far is 1.9m. How much further does she need to jump?
3. Tom is 1.6 metres tall. He is a fan of a basketball player who is 2.14m tall! How much shorter is Tom than the basketball player?
4. A lottery winner won £2.3 million! She gave some away and was left with £1.87 million. How much did she give away?
5. Kai starts with 4.56, adds a number and ends up with 5.2. How much did he add?
6. Sophie started at 4.34, subtracted a number and got 3.7. How much did she subtract?
7. Find the difference between 4.5 and 2.78.
Now find another pair of numbers with the same difference.
8. Which of these subtractions has the biggest answer? And the smallest?
4.3 – 2.78, 4.2 – 2.87, 4.3 – 2.87 and 4.2 – 2.78.
Write them in order of size of answer from smallest to greatest.