Multi-Step Word Problems
Addition & Subtraction

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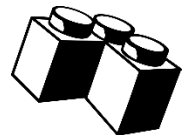
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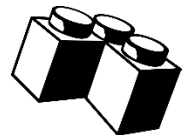
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    Yes, $3 left over

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