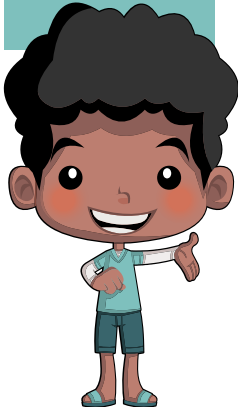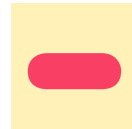# Recycling: "More Than or Less Than"?

Sam and Ali are taking items to the recycling center. Read each word problem. Circle whether you should add or subtract. Then, check the equation.

57
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1. Sam brings 57 plastic bottles to the recycle center. Ali brings 3 more plastic bottles than Sam does. How many plastic bottles did Ali bring?
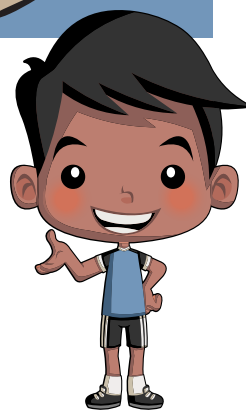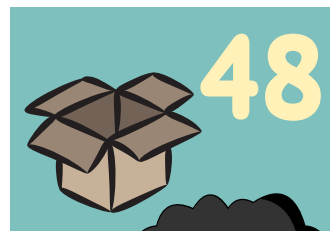
+   **−**

57+3=60   **57−3=54**   **57+3=58**   **57−3=55**

2. Ali recycled 48 cardboard boxes. Sam recycled 8 less than Ali. How many boxes did Sam recycle?

48
?

+   **−**

48+8=56   **40−8=41**   **48−8=40**   **40+8=48**