

# School-Home Letter

## Dear Family,

My class started Chapter 4 this week. In this chapter, I will learn about subtraction strategies and how to solve subtraction word problems.

Love, \_\_\_\_\_

### Vocabulary

**count back** a way to subtract by counting back from the larger number



$$8 - 1 = 7$$

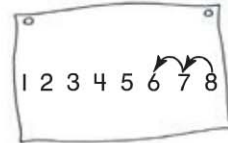
Start at 8.

**Count back 1.**

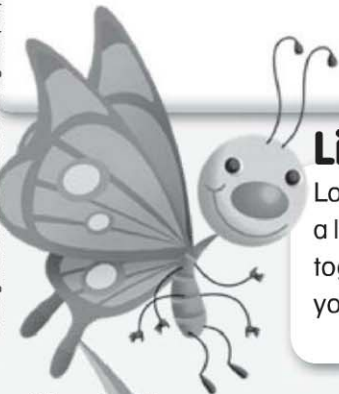
You are on 7.

### Home Activity

Have your child practice counting from 1 to 8 and then from 8 to 1. Display numbers 1–8 on a piece of poster board or notebook paper. Each day, work with your child to solve simple subtraction problems by counting back 1, 2, or 3 using the list of numbers.



$$8 - 2 = 6$$



### Literature

Look for these books in a library. Reading them together will reinforce your child's learning.

<b>Monster Musical Chairs</b>	<b>Ten Little Ladybugs</b>
by Stuart J. Murphy.	by Melanie Gerth.
HarperCollins Children's Books, 2000.	Piggy Toes Press, 2001.