Subtract With Like Denominators

Find $7 - 3\frac{4}{5}$.

Step 1: Rename the whole number.

$$7 = 6\frac{5}{5}$$
$$-3\frac{4}{5} = -3\frac{4}{5}$$

Step 2: Subtract the fractions.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 6\frac{5}{5} \\
 -3\frac{4}{5} \\
 \hline
 \frac{1}{5}
\end{array}$$

Step 3: Subtract the whole numbers. Simplify.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 6\frac{5}{5} \\
 -3\frac{4}{5} \\
 \hline
 3\frac{1}{5}
\end{array}$$

Subtract. Write each difference in simplest form.

1.
$$8\frac{1}{16} - 3\frac{7}{16}$$

2.
$$9-3\frac{1}{4}$$

3.
$$7\frac{3}{5} - 2\frac{4}{5}$$

4.
$$6-1\frac{2}{3}$$

5.
$$8\frac{3}{7} - 6\frac{3}{7}$$

6.
$$5-4\frac{1}{9}$$

7.
$$\frac{9}{10}$$
 $-\frac{4}{10}$

8.
$$\frac{7}{8}$$
 $-\frac{3}{8}$

9.
$$8\frac{4}{5}$$
 $-2\frac{1}{5}$

10.
$$10 - 4\frac{2}{3}$$

11.
$$3\frac{1}{2}$$
 $-1\frac{1}{2}$

12.
$$7\frac{5}{9}$$
 $-5\frac{2}{9}$

Problem Solving

13. Russell has 5 m of wire. He used $3\frac{3}{4}$ m for a project. How much wire is left?

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