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Taking away stories

Read. Write the number sentence and the answer.

1. **14 pencils were new. 5 pencils got used.**

How many pencils are new?

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2. **16 socks were clean. 8 socks got dirty.**

How many socks are clean?

$$\square - \square = \square$$

3. **Zoe had 15 shells. She gave 9 away.**

How many shells are left?

$$\square - \square = \square$$

4. **20 seats were free. 9 seats got taken.**

How many seats are free?

$$\square - \square = \square$$