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Subtracting Fractions Word Problems (4.NF.3.d)

Directions: Solve the following word problem using numbers, pictures (model drawings), and words. ☺

8/10 of your road was left unfinished. The road crew came Monday and was able to finish 5/10 of the road. Then Tuesday morning they finished another 2/10. How much of the road still needs to be finished?



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Answer:

$$8/10 - 5/10 = 3/10$$

$$3/10 - 2/10 = 1/10$$

$$8/10 - 5/10 = 3/10$$
 $3/10 - 2/10 = 1/10$ $1/10$ needs to be finished

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= unfinished road

= completed Monday

= completed Tuesday

8/10 of the road was unfinished. On Monday 5/10 was finished. If you subtract 5/10 from 8/10 you get 3/10. 8/10 - 5/10 = 3/10 Then on Tuesday they finished up 2/10 more. Subtract 2/10 from 3/10. The difference is 1/10. 3/10 - 2/10 = 1/10 1/10 of the road is unfinished.