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

**<u>Directions</u>**: Solve the following word problem using numbers, pictures (model drawings), and words. ©

Jared has 9/12 of a cake left after his birthday. Grandpa stops by and eats 2/12. Then Aunt Joan stops by and eats 3/12. Cousin Frank pops in and eats 1/12. How much cake does Jared have left for himself?

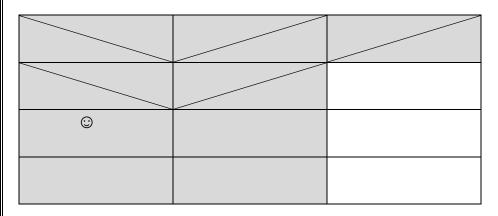
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## Answer:

Jared starts off with 9/12 of a cake. Grandpa eats 2/12. 9/12 - 2/12 = 7/12 Then Aunt Joan eats 3/12. Take what is left, 7/12 and subtract 3/12 from that. 7/12 - 3/12 = 4/12 Now cousin Frank comes and eats 1/12. You need to subtract 1/12 from 4/12. 4/12 - 1/12 = 3/12 Jared has 3/12 of a cake left for himself.

Jared's cake



= Jared had left after his party

= Grandpa ate

= Aunt Joan ate

□ =Cousin Frank ate