Big Numbers, Big Adventures (5-Digit Across Zeros)

Directions: Each of these adventure-themed problems uses large numbers that include zeros - so you'll need to borrow carefully! Write and solve the subtraction equation for each problem. Show all your work.

1. An explorer started his desert trek at **60,004 feet** below sea level on the map's altitude tracker. By the end, he had climbed to **23,789 feet** below sea level. How much higher did he climb?

Equation: 60,004 − 23,789 = _____

2. A plane flew **70,020 miles** last year and **45,687 miles** this year. How many more miles did it fly last year?

Equation: 70,020 − 45,687 = _____

3. A factory made **80,005 toys** last month. This month, they made **63,489 toys**. How many fewer toys were made this month?

Equation: 80,005 − 63,489 = _____

4. A rocket traveled **90,030 miles** before turning back toward Earth. At that point, it had already covered **76,458 miles**. How many miles did it have left to return?

Equation: 90,030 − 76,458 = _____

5. A climber reached **40,006 feet** up a mountain, then descended to a camp at **25,789 feet**. How far did the climber descend?

Equation: 40,006 − 25,789 = _____

6. A cargo ship left port with **50,040 containers** and delivered **37,689** of them on the first leg. How many containers are still on board?

Equation: 50,040 − 37,689 = _____

7. A museum started the year with **60,090 visitors** but later counted **48,756** remaining in total attendance after midyear. How many fewer visitors attended after midyear?

Equation: 60,090 − 48,756 = _____