

What is the difference between the following expressions? A Number subtracted by three & three subtracted by a number.

Explanation:

Subtraction or being subtracted is the process used to calculate the difference between two numbers or quantities. Subtraction is the operation that is the inverse of addition. Subtracting a number has the effect of nullifying the addition of that same number.

To explain the difference, consider the following example (in subtracting two numbers):

$4 - 3 \neq 3 - 4$, so the rule is $a - b \neq b - a$ this means that the first definition of a number subtracted by three is presented in terms $b - a = 3 - 4$, where **b** is minuend, **a** is subtrahend. In another definition (three subtracted by a number) is expressed by the following condition $a - b = 4 - 3$, where **a** is minuend, **b** is subtrahend.