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## P3 Problem Sums Mini Course Term 4 Lesson 3

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## Strategy: Equal Stage

1. Alan and Ben had an equal number of stickers each.

Alan gave away 75 stickers and Ben gave away 35 stickers.

In the end, Ben had 3 times as many stickers left as Alan.

How many stickers did Ben have at first?

2. Aini and Bella had an equal number of sweets each.

Aini gave away 168 sweets and Bella give away 48 sweets.

Then they realised that Bella had 4 times as many sweets left as Aini.

How many sweets did Bella have at first?

3. Julie and Miley had an equal number of pencils each.

Julie gave away 80 pencils and Miley give away 32 pencils.

Then they realised that Miley had 4 times as many pencils left as Julie.

How many sweets did Julie have at first?

## **Trending Questions**

1. Lucy and Mary had \$450 altogether. Lucy had \$248 more than Mary. How much money did Mary have? (ACSJ)

2. Veera has twice as many straws as Lina. Minghao has twice as many straws as Veera. Minghao has 192 more straws than Lina. How many straws do they have altogether? (CHIJ St Nicholas)

- 3. Gavin collected 4 times as many picture cards as Ray. Ray collected 144 less picture cards than Gavin.
  - a. How many picture cards did Ray collect?
  - b. How many picture cards did they collect altogether? (Ai Tong)

- 4. There are 578 lorries, cars and vans in a car park. There are 3 times as many cars as vans. There are 30 lorries.
  - a. How many cars and vans are there altogether?
  - b. How many vans are there? (ACSJ)

- 5. Sammy and Ali had an equal number of marbles at first. Ali gave Sammy 408 marbles. In the end, Sammy had 830 marbles.
  - a. How many marbles did Ali have in the end?
  - b. How many marbles did the two boys have altogether? (ACSJ)