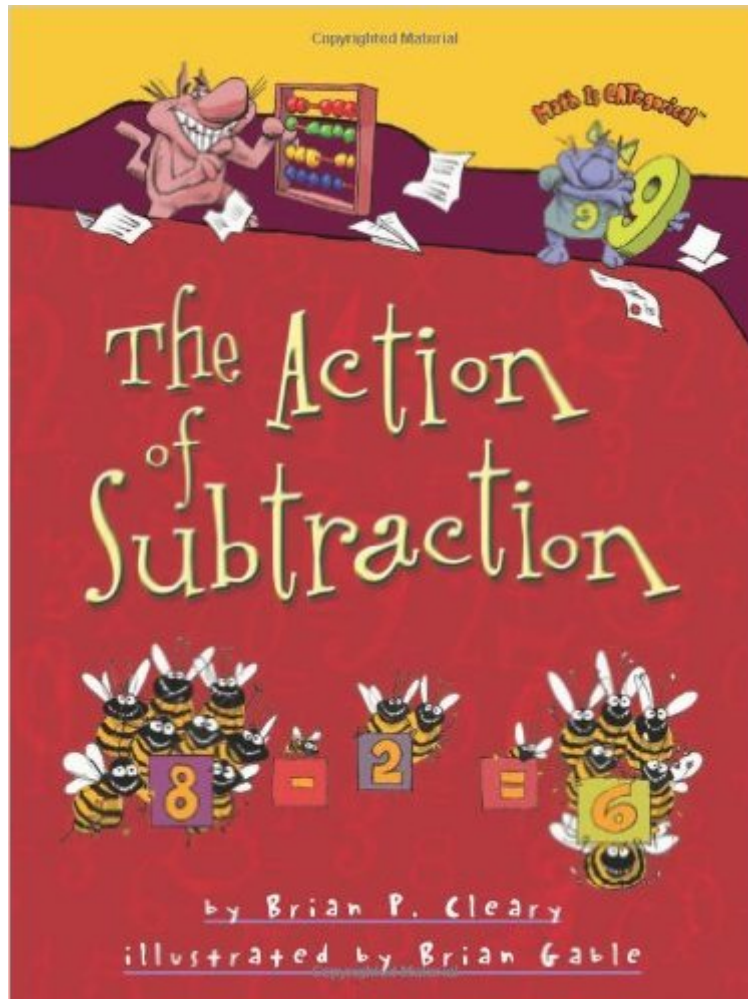


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# The Action Of Subtraction (Math Is Categorical)



## Synopsis

The author and illustrator of the best-selling Words Are CATegorical(TM) series brings their trademark sense of humor to the subject of subtraction. Rhyming text filled with funny, countable examples shows what it means to take one number away from another. Readers are also introduced to the terminology they'll encounter as they learn to subtract.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

How do I love the "CATegorical" series by Brian P. Cleary? I could add up the ways for you, but this particular book is about subtraction . . . and it's a hoot! What is so delightful about "The Action of Subtraction" is that it presents a mathematical concept to children with both uproarious verse and witty illustrations; these work together to bring the dreariness of math into the light in a way that completely engages my four-year-old. Together with its partner book, "The Mission of Addition," Mr. Cleary and illustrator Brian Gable have contributed a true treasure trove for two foundations of mathematic education. This math-o-phobic mom appreciates that immensely. Again, this book is about ideas. It is not a workbook or activity book in any sense. It is not a math textbook for the pre-K - K crowd. BUT, it is the kind of book that makes great storytime reading -- whether mid-day or bedtime. My child loves these books!

Brian P. Cleary is pretty much the master of teaching math concepts to hyper and psychotic

children. Because that is exactly what this book is--hyper and psychotic and absolutely brilliant. A couple years of teaching 1st grade math has taught me that subtraction is rather a difficult concept. Thank-you Cleary for making it somewhat easier in this bright and cheery little book that celebrates the spirit of subtraction with the teaching of the concept and the jargon using plenty of hilarious examples.

This series of books is amazing. I plan to collect the entire series. It keeps my 3 year olds attention.

I'm guessing this is a good book, as it was requested by my daughter's 1st grade teacher and this is the teacher and all the other teachers at the school request for their children.

He loves math, but getting him to read is a challenge. He really enjoyed this and we will be getting others by the same author.

My kindergarten students loved this book! It helped them with the subtraction concepts.

of the book are a bit complicated for Kindergarten, but overall a good read.

This book is good, but it is a little advanced for kindergarten.

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