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4) $7 \frac{1}{5} - 1 \frac{2}{5} =$

5) $4 \frac{10}{12} - 2 \frac{3}{12} =$

6) $3 \frac{3}{4} - 1 \frac{2}{4} =$

7) $5 \frac{4}{5} - 1 \frac{4}{5} =$

8) $7 \frac{2}{4} - 1 \frac{1}{4} =$

9) $5 \frac{1}{6} - 2 \frac{1}{6} =$

10) $5 \frac{3}{10} - 3 \frac{6}{10} =$

Answers

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Answers

1. $3\frac{1}{3}$

2. $2\frac{1}{5}$

3. $2\frac{9}{12}$

4. $5\frac{4}{5}$

5. $2\frac{7}{12}$

6. $2\frac{1}{4}$

7. $4\frac{0}{5}$

8. $6\frac{1}{4}$

9. $3\frac{0}{6}$

10. $1\frac{7}{10}$