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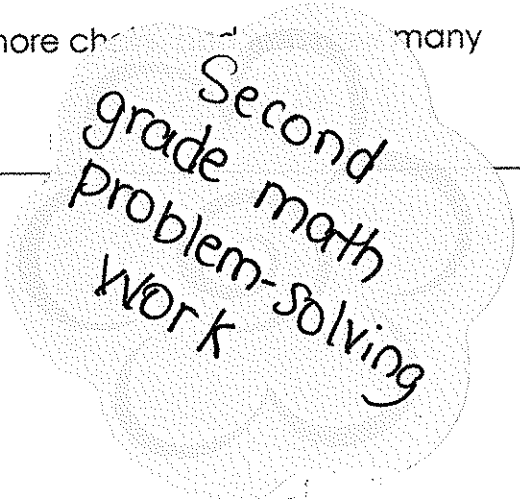
Writing Word Problems: Explaining Our Thinking

One day, the students in 2-Purple came in to school and found that there were 36 chairs in the classroom! Then Mrs. Cannon came in and said "Look at all of these chairs! We need some extra chairs for the new computer room, so I'm going to take 17 of your chairs." She took 17 chairs and left.

Then Ms. Bocklage came in. "I have some extra chairs in the library," she said. "Can I put them in here?"

2-Purple said, "Sure." Ms. Bocklage set down 24 more chairs. How many chairs were in 2-Purple at the end?

Solve the problem. Show your work.



$$36 - 17 = 19$$

$$19 + 24 = 43$$

$$29$$

Write what you did to solve the problem.

I subtracted  $36 - 17$  but there's only six ones so I'm going to take away a ten then I will have two tens and I will trade it for ten ones then take away seven and that will make nine. Add  $24 = 43$ .