Possible Solutions

Read the following examples. Tell if each is an example of spending or saving. Then write a number sentence and solve the problem.

a) Kathryn has decided to put her $5 dog walking earnings away so that someday she will have enough money for her own puppy. She had already $20. How much money does she have now?

> Saving
> $5 + $20 = $25
> Kathryn has saved $25.

b) Tom asked his dad to take him to the bike shop. He decided he needs a bike if he is going to start delivering newspapers in his neighborhood. He has $100 and the bike cost him $80. How much money does he have now?

> Spending
> $100 − $80 = $20
> Tom has $20 left after he spent his money on a bike.

c) Emily opened her piggy bank to see how much money is in the bank. After adding her $5 babysitting money, she had a total of nine dollars. How much was in her piggy bank to start with?

> Saving
> ? + $5 = $9, so the related subtraction fact is 9 − 5 =?
> $9 − $5 = $4
> Emily had $4 in her piggy bank to start with.