### Comparing Using a Strip Diagram

# Strip Diagram

# Larger amount Smaller Amount more Amount (or less)

# Amount More (or Less) Unknown

Nathan has \$7. Oscar has \$2. How much more does Nathan have?

7	
2	?

$$2 + ? = 7$$
 or  $7 - 2 = ?$ 

### **Smaller Amount Unknown**

Pam has 14 inches of ribbon which is 6 inches more than Rita has. How much ribbon does Rita have?

14		
?	6	

$$14 - 6 = ?$$
 or  $? + 6 = 14$ 

# Larger Amount Unknown

Tom has 3 stamps. Steve has 16 more stamps than Tom. How many stamps does Steve have?

$$?-16=3$$
 or  $3+16=?$