

Problem Solving Using the CUBES Method

Choose the correct answer for each question given.

The post office delivered 55 002 letters to pen pals in England this year. Last year, the post delivered 49 801 letters. How many more letters did the post office deliver this year?  Before you answer, THINK!

1. Based on the information in the question, are we putting things together or separating things? _____
2. Should our answer be larger than the numbers given or smaller? _____
3. Which operation should we be using? _____
4. Why should we be using that operation? _____
5. Which of the following shows the correct way to set up our working?

6. Which word should be written after our answer? _____