

Word-Problem Schemas

TOTAL

Are parts put together for a total?

(total)	
(part)	(part)

$$P1 + P2 = T$$

DIFFERENCE

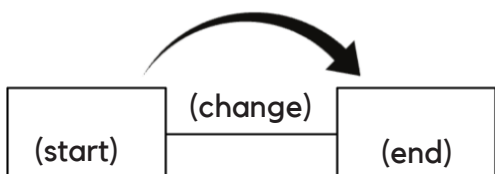
Are two amounts compared for a difference?

(greater)	
(lesser)	(difference)

$$G - L = D$$

CHANGE

Does a starting amount increase or decrease to a new amount?



$$\begin{array}{l} \text{(increase)} \\ \text{or} \\ \text{(decrease)} \end{array} \begin{array}{l} ST + C = E \\ ST - C = E \end{array}$$