For Grown-Ups: Answers & Little Hints

You do not have to print this page. Look here to check an answer or to help a child get moving.

AGE 2.5-3 - Where is nothing left?

Answer: The left rope is empty.

Little hint: touch each rope. Which one has no pebbles inside?

AGE 4 - After this pebble moves, how many are left on the sand?

Answer: Two.

Little hint: cover the arrow stone with a finger. Count the stones still inside the rope.

AGE 5 - Cross out only the pebbles inside the rope. How many are left inside?

Answer: Nothing (zero).

Little hint: is the rope a good place to look for stones that count here? Then check inside it.

AGES 6-7 task 1 - How many more pebbles must move to leave zero?

Answer: Three.

Little hint: count the stones on the sand, then count moves one at a time until the rope is empty.

AGES 6-7 task 2 - One stone goes back. How many stay in the basket?

Answer: Four.

Little hint: start from all five in the basket and take one away on your fingers.