Which Operations

At the beginning of the day, a grocer has 239 apples. He receives another 144 from his supplier and sells 307 during the day.

Khalid calculates how many apples the grocer has by the end of the day:

307 − 239 = 68, 68 + 144 = 212 apples left.

Explain the mistake Khalid has made.

Come up with your own word problem with a mistake for a partner to spot.

Check the Answer

Alisha has £18.35 in her purse. Her father gives her £5 pocket money. She buys a book for £7.99 and a bag for £13.49. How much will she have left?

Naomi says Alisha has £1.87 left.

Jack says Alisha has £3.13 left.

Who is correct and what mistakes have been made?

What other errors might be made?