

subtract because  
30 is STILL  
OWED

258

-180

100

930

70

78

78

→ In 258 there are 2 hundreds in the hundreds place which have a value of 200.

In 180 there is 1 hundred in the hundreds place which has a value of 100.

"I have 200, I owe 100, I still have 100."

→ Same for tens place. "I have 50, I owe 80, I still owe 30."

→ Same for ones place. I have 8, I owe 0, I still have 8."

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I STILL

AVE 8!

\*The language "I have, I owe" is used for subtraction. This helps students understand the concept of negative numbers. Students are taught if they "still have" the number is + if they "still owe" they use a - subtraction sign.