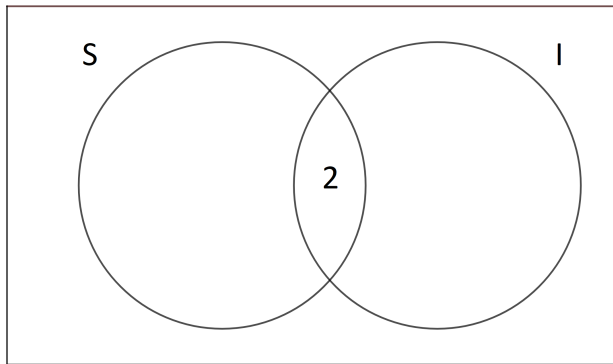# Venn diagrams

Example 1

There are 18 students in class. 9 of them speak Spanish, 6 speak Italian, 2 speak both Spanish and Italian.

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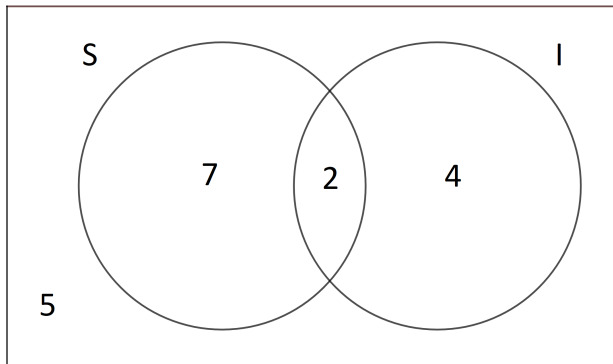
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Similarly for those who speak Italian only we have $6 - 2 = 4$, so we put 4 into appropriate region.

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Now to answer the questions:

i. 5 students do not speak any of the mentioned languages,

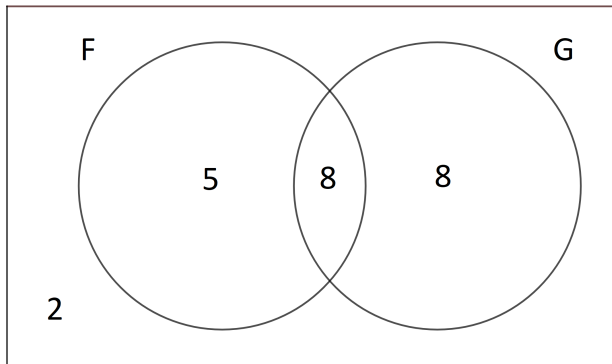ii. 11 students speak exactly one language.

Question 1

There are 23 students in class. 13 of them speak French, 16 speak German, 8 speak both French and German.
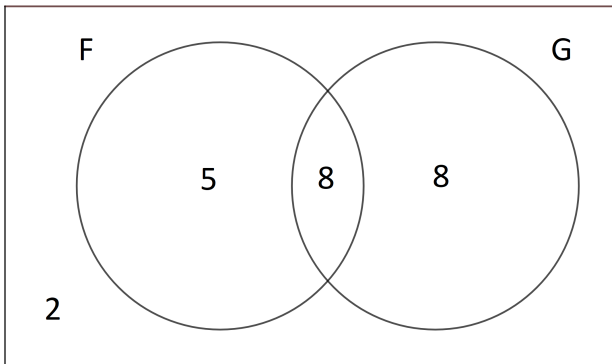
Represent this information on a Venn diagram and find number of students (i) who do not speak any of the mentioned languages (ii) exactly one of the two languages.

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i. 2 students do not speak any of the mentioned languages,
ii. 13 students speak exactly one language.

Example 2

There are 13 students in class. 8 of them speak Spanish, 4 speak only Italian, 3 speak both Spanish and Italian.

Represent this information on a Venn diagram and find number of students (i) who do not speak any of the mentioned languages (ii) who speak Italian.

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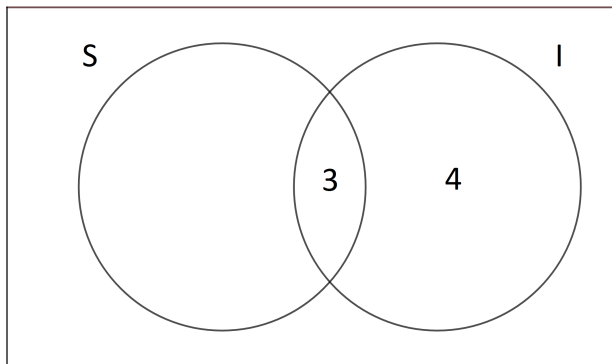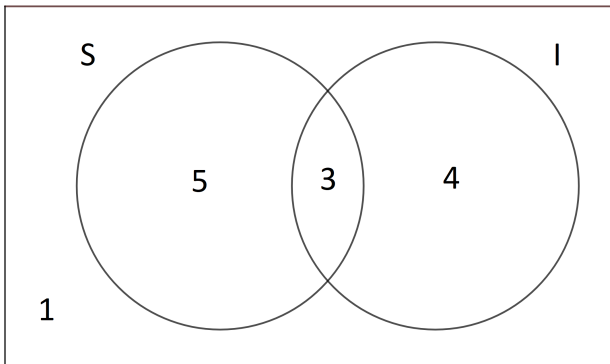
Now we have $8 - 3 = 5$, so 5 students study Spanish only. We can put this information on the diagram.

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Now to answer the questions:

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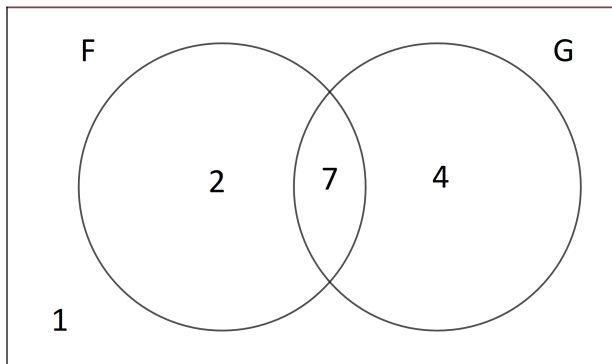
ii. 7 students speak Italian.

Question 2

There are 14 students in class. 11 of them speak German, 2 speak only French, 7 speak both German and French.
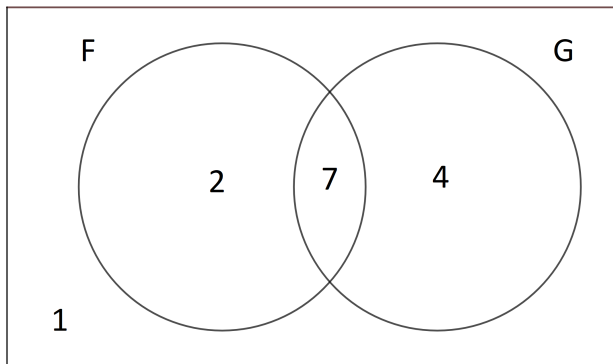
Represent this information on a Venn diagram and find number of students (i) who do not speak any of the mentioned languages (ii) who speak exactly one of the two languages.

Solution:

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i. 1 student does not speak any of the mentioned languages,
ii. 6 students speak exactly one language.

Example 3

There are 20 students in class. 11 of them like football, 12 like volleyball, 17 like at least one of the two sports. Represent this information on a

Venn diagram and find number of students (i) who like both sports (ii) who like football only.

We start by drawing a Venn diagram for two sets.

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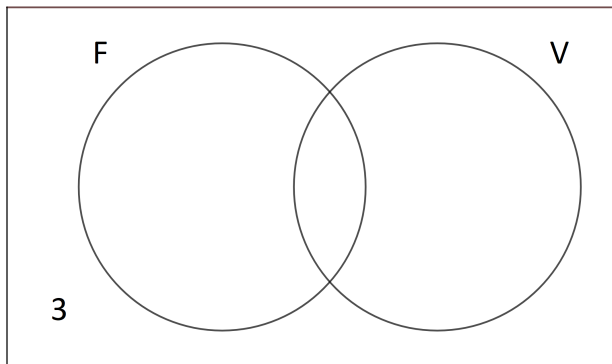
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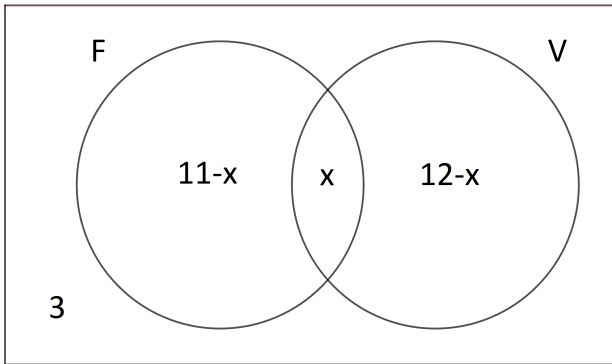
We can form an equation

$$(11 - x) + x + (12 - x) = 17$$

Because 17 students like at least one of the sports. Solving this equation gives:

$$23 - x = 17$$
$$x = 6$$

So there are 6 students who like both volleyball and football.

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$$(11 - x) + x + (12 - x) = 17$$

Because 17 students like at least one of the sports. Solving this equation gives:

$$23 - x = 17$$
$$x = 6$$

So there are 6 students who like both volleyball and football. Now the number of students who like football only is $11 - x = 11 - 6 = 5$.
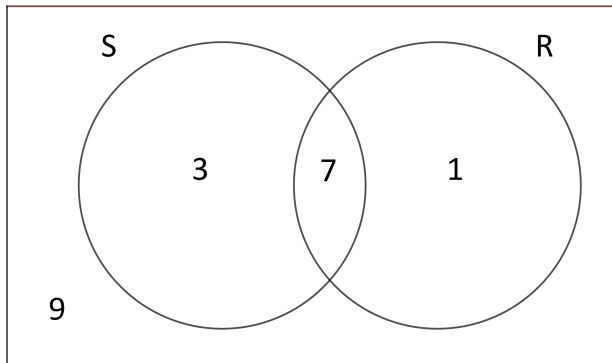
Question 3

There are 20 students in class. 10 of them like swimming, 8 like running, 11 like at least one of the two activities.
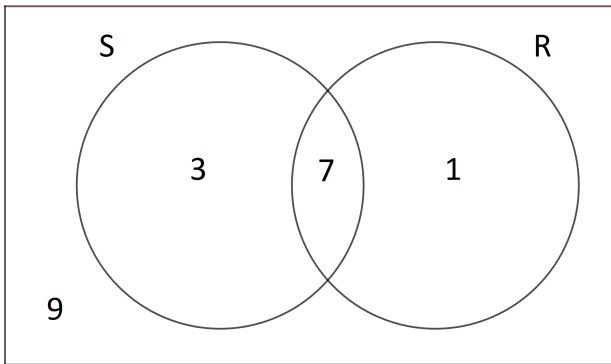
Represent this information on a Venn diagram and find number of students (i) who like both activities (ii) who like running, but don't like swimming.

Solution:

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i. 7 students like both activities,

ii. 1 student likes swimming but not running.

Example 4

There are 25 students in class. 13 of them have dark hair, 6 have blue eyes, 9 have neither dark hair nor blue eyes.

Represent this information on a Venn diagram and find number of students (i) who have dark hair and blue eyes (ii) who have dark hair but do not have blue eyes.

We start by drawing a Venn diagram for two sets.

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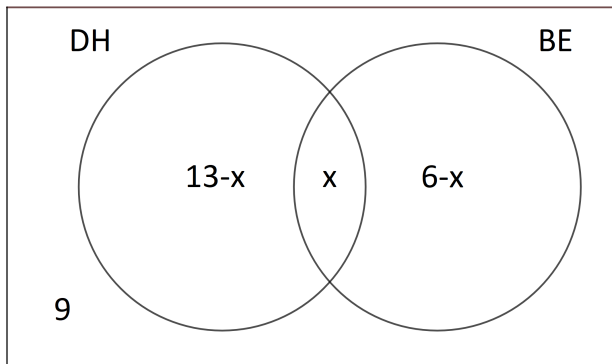
We can form an equation

$$(13 - x) + x + (6 - x) + 9 = 25$$

We've counted all of the students and there are 25 of them. We solve the equation:

$$28 - x = 25$$
$$x = 3$$

So there are 3 students with dark hair and blue eyes.

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We've counted all of the students and there are 25 of them. We solve the equation:

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So there are 3 students with dark hair and blue eyes.
So the number of dark haired students who who do not have blue eyes is $13 - x = 13 - 3 = 10$.
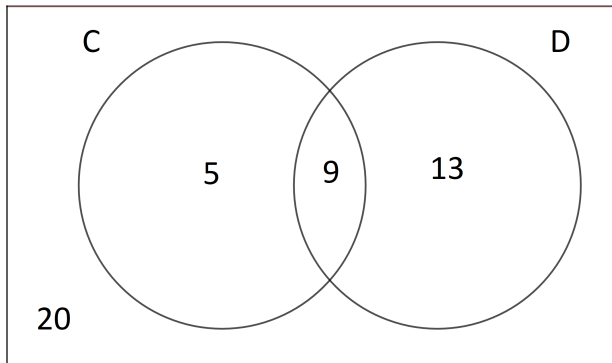
Question 4

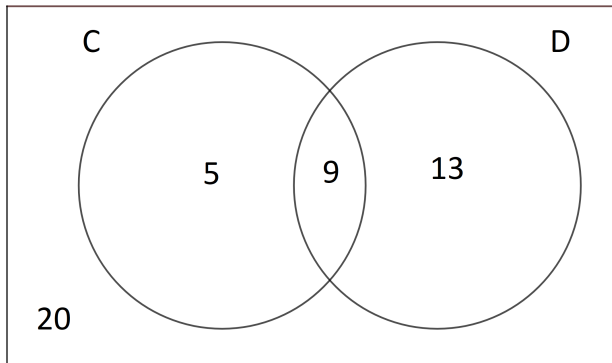There are 47 students in class. 14 of them have a cat, 22 have a dog, 20 have no pets.

Represent this information on a Venn diagram and find number of students (i) who have a cat and a dog (ii) who have a cat, but no dog.

Solution:

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i. 9 students have a cat and a dog,

ii. 5 students have a cat only.

The short test will be similar to the questions above.