

Possible Solutions

To find out how much money Hunter still needs, subtract the amount saved from the cost. Since the problem calls for an estimate (“about how much”), all of the following strategies and answers are reasonable.

Rounding to the nearest whole number

Rounding money to the nearest dollar is the same as rounding to the nearest whole number. \$43.24 becomes \$43 and \$18.75 becomes \$19.

$$43 - 19 = 24$$

Hunter needs to save about \$24 to have enough to buy the football.

Rounding to the nearest ten

\$43.24 is closer to \$40 than \$50, and \$18.75 is closer to \$20 than \$10.

$$40 - 20 = 20$$

Hunter needs to save about \$20 to have enough to buy the football.

Keep one number the same and round the other number

Keep \$43.24 and round \$18.75 to \$20.

$$43.24 - 20 = 23.24$$

Hunter needs to save about \$23.24 to have enough to buy the football.