My Son's Shoes

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My son loves Nike shoes. Every time we buy a new pair of shoes, he wants Nike. I buy about three pairs of shoes for him every year. He likes to wear them to school, for exercise, and for parties. He says, "These are my favorite brand of shoes. I feel comfortable and look nice when I wear them." He especially likes the white and black colors. Now he has six pairs that he can still fit into. He even knows how to care for them to keep them looking clean.



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Shoe Math

Draw a line connecting the word problem (on the left) with the operation (on the right) that you need to solve it. (Hint: Answers might vary; you might need more than one operation per problem.) Solve the problem.

How much will Lamchit spend each year on shoes for his son if the average cost of Nike shoes for boys is \$45.00?

A back-to-school sale has reduced the average price of Nike shoes to \$39.99. How much could Lamchit save if he bought his son a pair of shoes on sale?

The total budget for shoes in Lamchit's family is \$300. How much can Lamchit and his wife spend on shoes *for themselves* if they manage to buy their son's Nikes on sale?

Lamchit's son earns \$110 cutting grass. How many pairs of shoes can he buy if he pays the regular price? How much would he have left over?

