Mr. Potter made a batch of 73 brownies. His wife ate 12 brownies, and his daughter ate 25 brownies. How many brownies does Mr. Potter have left?

First, add how many his wife ate to how many his daughter ate.

12 brownies
25 brownies
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37 brownies

This tells me how many they ate altogether.

Second, subtract what they ate altogether from how many brownies Mr. P made.

73 brownies
− 37 brownies
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