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Let's solve the problem by subtracting the number of students in Mark's school from the number of students in Ethel's school.

$$296 - 187$$

Let's first of all round each number to the nearest hundred, then subtract.

$$296 \longrightarrow 300$$

$$187 \longrightarrow 200$$

$$300 - 200 \approx 100$$

So, there are about 100 more students in Ethel's school than in Mark's



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To solve this, let's subtract the amount they raised last year from the amount they raised this year

$$\$1,469,225 - \$585,200$$

Let's first of all round each number to the nearest hundred thousand, then subtract.

$$\$1,469,225 \longrightarrow 1,500,000$$

$$\$585,200 \longrightarrow 600,000$$

$$1,500,000 - 600,000 \approx 900,000$$

So, they raised about \$900,000 this year than last year.

3. Lola has read 346 pages out of 1,956 pages of her favourite novel. About how many pages are left for her to complete the novel?. (Round each number to the nearest hundred)

To solve this, let's subtract the number of pages she has already read from the total number of pages

$$1,956 - 346$$

$$1,956 \longrightarrow 2,000$$

$$346 \longrightarrow 300$$

$$2,000 - 300 \approx 1,700$$

So, Lola is still left with about 1,700 pages to read

