## Adding and Subtracting Scientific Notation Word Problems

1) In 2006, about $1.9 \times 10^{7}$ people visited Blue Ridge Parkway. That same year, about $9.3 \times$ $10^{6}$ people visited Great Smoky Mountains National Park. How many more people visited Blue Ridge Parkway than Great Smoky Mountains National Park in 2006?
2) In 2006, the US had a Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of $1.313 \times 10^{13}$. The United Kingdom had a GDP of $1.93 \times 10^{12}$. What were the combined GDPs of the US and the UK in 2006?
3) In 2006, China had $1.311 \times 10^{8}$ internet users. That same year, Japan had $9.09 \times 10^{7}$ internet users. How many internet users did the two countries have combined?
4) The average distance from Earth to the Sun is $1.46 \times 10^{8}$ kilometers. The average distance from Earth to the Moon is $3.84 \times 10^{5}$ kilometers. How much farther is the distance from Earth to the Sun than to the Moon?
5) About $8.73 \times 10^{8}$ people in the world speak Chinese. About $3.22 \times 10^{8}$ speak Spanish. In scientific notation, how many more people speak Chinese than Spanish?
6) The following incomes are recorded for music artists in 2010 .

| Artist | 2010 Income |
| :---: | :---: |
| Jay-Z | $2.56 \times 10^{7}$ |
| Yo Gotti | $5.1 \times 10^{6}$ |

How much more money did Jay-Z make over Yo Gotti?
7) Great Lake Superior covers an area of $3.17 \times 10^{4}$ square miles. The smallest Great Lake, Ontario, covers an area of $7.34 \times 10^{3}$ square miles. About how many times as great is the area covered by Lake Superior than Lake Ontario?
8) The distance between Qatar and South Korea is $7.52 \times 10^{3}$ kilometers. The distance between Qatar and New York City, USA is $1.07 \times 10^{4}$. How much further away is New York City?

Show your work or explain, leave your answers in scientific notation.

1) A flight from Singapore to New York includes a stopover in Hawaii. The distance between Singapore and Hawaii is about $6.7 \times 10^{3}$ miles. The distance between New York and Hawaii is about $4.9 \times 10^{3}$ miles.
a) Find the total distance from Singapore to New York.
b) How much farther is the first half of the trip compared to the second half of the trip?
2) The table shows the weights of some animals.

| Animal | Average weights in lbs |
| :---: | :---: |
| African Bush Elephant | $2.7 \times 10^{4}$ |
| Hippopotamus | $9.0 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Walrus | $4.5 \times 10^{3}$ |

a) How much greater is the average weight of an African Bush Elephant than the average weight of a Hippopotamus?
b) What is the total weight of all animals?
3) Factories A and B produced potato chips. Last year, each factory reported the amount of each ingredient. Factory A reported their amounts in scientific notation and Factory B reported their amounts in standard form.

| Ingredient | Factory A (amount used in lbs) | Factory B (amount used in lbs) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Potato | $4.87 \times 10^{6}$ | $3,309,000$ |
| Oil | $5.61 \times 10^{5}$ | 356,000 |
| Salt | $2.87 \times 10^{5}$ | 193,500 |

a) Which factory used more oil last year? By how much?
b) What is the total amount of salt used by both factories?
c) What is the total weight of all of the ingredients in Factory A?
4) The Earth's surface that is covered by water is $3.61 \times 10^{8}$, compared to the amount of Earth's surface that is covered by land which is $1.49 \times 10^{8}$, approximately how many times greater is the amount of the Earth's surface covered by water, compared to the surface covered by land?

