

## Solving Two-Step Equations

**BEFORE**

You solved one-step equations.

**Now**

You'll solve two-step equations.

**WHY?**

So you can find the cost of a rafting trip, as in Ex. 21.

## LESSON

## 3.1

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**Practice A**

For use with pages 119-124

Tell whether the given value of the variable is a solution of the equation.

1.  $3x - 1 = 11; x = 4$

2.  $1 = 2x + 7; x = -4$

3.  $12 - x = 15; x = -3$

$$3x - 1 = 11 \quad x = 4$$

$$3 \cdot 4 - 1 = 11$$

$$12 - 1 = 11$$

$$11 = 11 \checkmark$$

YES

4.  $-17 = 4x + 9; x = -2$

5.  $-\frac{x}{5} + 7 = 5; x = 10$

6.  $-7 = \frac{x}{6} - 10; x = 18$

$$\begin{aligned} -17 &= 4x + 9 & x &= -2 \\ -17 &= 4 \cdot (-2) + 9 \\ &= -8 + 9 \\ -17 &= 1 \\ &\text{NO} \end{aligned}$$

Solve the equation. Check your solution.

7.  $3x + 1 = 13$

8.  $17 = 8x - 7$

9.  $4x + 5 = 5$

10.  $11 = 2x + 7$

$$-5 + 4x + 5 = 5 - 5$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{4x}{1} = 0 \cdot \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x = 0$$

11.  $5x - 2 = 3$

12.  $7x + 1 = 22$

13.  $\frac{x}{2} - 5 = 3$

14.  $10 = \frac{x}{4} + 7$

$$2 + \sqrt{x-2} = 3 + 2$$

$$\frac{1}{5} \sqrt{x-2} = \frac{1}{5}$$
$$x-2 = 1$$

$$15. \frac{x}{5} - 1 = 9$$

$$16. 4 = \frac{x}{8} + 3$$

$$17. \frac{x}{3} + 6 = 9$$

$$18. \frac{x}{6} - 2 = 3$$

$$1 + \frac{x}{5} - 1 = 9 + 1$$

$$\frac{5}{1} \cdot \frac{x}{5} = 10 \cdot \frac{5}{1}$$

$$x = 50$$

$$2 + \frac{x}{6} + 2 = 3 + 2$$

$$6 \cdot \frac{x}{6} = 5 \cdot 6$$

$$x = 30$$



23. You are buying a digital camera that costs \$375. The store lets you make a down payment. You can pay the remaining cost in four equal monthly payments with no interest charged. You make a down payment of \$175. Which equation can you use to find the amount of each monthly payment?

A.  $375 = 175 + 4p$

B.  $375 = 4p - 175$

C.  $375 + 4p = 175$

(A)  $375 = 175 + 4p$   
 $200 = 4p$   
 $50 = p$

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- 24.** Use the information from Exercise 23 to find the amount of each monthly payment.

- 25.** For one day, a barber has 28 customers and receives \$64 in tips. The barber charges a flat rate for haircuts and makes a total of \$456 including tips. Which equation can you use to find how much the barber charges for a haircut?

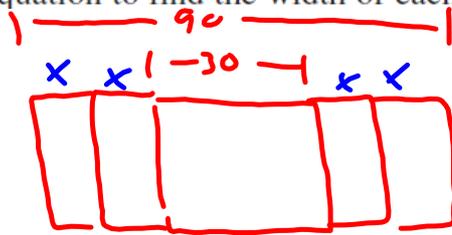
**A.**  $28x - 456 = 64$

**B.**  $28x - 64 = 456$

**C.**  $28x + 64 = 456$

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- A.**  $28x - 456 = 64$                       **B.**  $28x - 64 = 456$                       **C.**  $28x + 64 = 456$
- 26.** Use the information from Exercise 25 to find how much the barber charges for a haircut.

27. You are building an entertainment center. The middle section of the entertainment center is 30 inches wide for your television. You also want 2 side-by-side bookcases (4 total) on each side of the middle section. The entire entertainment center is 90 inches wide. How wide can each of the bookcases be?
- Draw a diagram of the entertainment center. Label your diagram.
  - Write a verbal model to find the width of each bookcase.
  - Let  $w$  represent the width of each bookcase. Write an equation based on your verbal model.
  - Solve your equation to find the width of each bookcase.



$$\boxed{\text{Total Width}} = \boxed{\text{TV Width}} + \boxed{\text{# of Bookcases}} \cdot \boxed{\text{Width of Bookcase}}$$

$$30 + 90 = 30 + 4 \cdot x + 30$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \cdot 60 = 4x \cdot \frac{1}{4}$$

$$15 = x$$