

Unit 1.2 Practice

Solving Multi-Step Equations

Solve each equation.

1. $19 - h - h = -13$

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Write the original problem

$19 - 2h = -13$

Combine like terms

$19 - (19) - 2h = -13 - (19)$

Subtract 19 from both side

$-2h = -32$

Simplify

$\frac{-2h}{-2} = \frac{-32}{-2}$

Divide by -2 to both side

$h = 16$

Simplify

3. $5n - 16 - 8n = -10$

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Write the original problem

$-16 - 3n = -10$

Combine like terms

$-16 + (16) - 3n = -10 + (16)$

Add 16 to both side

$-3n = 6$

Simplify

$\frac{-3n}{-3} = \frac{6}{-3}$

Divide by -3 to both side

$n = -2$

Simplify

5. $42j + 18 - 19j = -28$

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Write the original problem

$23j + 18 = -28$

Combine like terms

$23j + 18 - (18) = -28 - (18)$

Subtract 18 from both side

$23j = -46$

Simplify

$\frac{23j}{23} = \frac{-46}{23}$

Divide by 23 to both side

$j = -2$

Simplify

$$7. 6(3m + 5) = 66$$

$$6(3m + 5) = 66$$

Write the original problem

$$6(3m) + 6(5) = 66$$

Distribute

$$18m + 30 = 66$$

Simplify

$$18m + 30 - (30) = 66 - (30)$$

Subtract 30 from both side

$$18m = 36$$

Simplify

$$\frac{18m}{18} = \frac{36}{18}$$

Divide by 18 to both side

$$m = 2$$

Simplify

$$9. 42 = 3(2 - 3h)$$

$$42 = 3(2 - 3h)$$

Write the original problem

$$42 = 3(2) + 3(-3h)$$

Distribute

$$42 = 6 - 9h$$

Simplify

$$42 - (6) = 6 - (6) - 9h$$

Subtract 6 from both side

$$36 = -9h$$

Simplify

$$\frac{36}{-9} = \frac{-9h}{-9}$$

Divide by -9 to both side

$$h = -4$$

Simplify

$$11. -3 = -3(2t - 1)$$

$$-3 = -3(2t - 1)$$

Write the original problem

$$-3 = -3(2t) - 3(-1)$$

Distribute

$$-3 = -6t + 3$$

Simplify

$$-3 - (3) = -6t + 3 - (3)$$

Subtract 3 from both side

$$-6 = -6t$$

Simplify

$$\frac{-6}{-6} = \frac{-6t}{-6}$$

Divide by -6 to both side

$$t = 1$$

Simplify

$$13. \frac{a}{7} + \frac{5}{7} = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$\frac{a}{7} + \frac{5}{7} = \frac{2}{7}$$

Write the original problem

$$7 \cdot \left(\frac{a}{7} + \frac{5}{7} \right) = \left(\frac{2}{7} \right) \cdot 7$$

Multiply both sides both Least Common Denominator (LCD), 7

$$7 \cdot \left(\frac{a}{7} \right) + 7 \cdot \left(\frac{5}{7} \right) = 7 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{7} \right)$$

Distribute

$$a + 5 = 2$$

Simplify

$$a + 5 - (5) = 2 - (5)$$

Subtract 5 from both side

$$a = -3$$

Simplify

$$15. \frac{x}{3} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{x}{3} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Write the original problem

$$12 \cdot \left(\frac{x}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \cdot 12$$

Multiply both sides both Least Common Denominator (LCD), 12

$$12 \cdot \left(\frac{x}{3} \right) - 12 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = 12 \cdot \left(\frac{3}{4} \right)$$

Distribute

$$4x - 6 = 9$$

Simplify

$$4x - 6 + 6 = 9 + 6$$

Add 6 from both side

$$4x = 15$$

Simplify

$$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{15}{4}$$

Divide by 4 to both side

$$x = \frac{15}{4}$$

Simplify

$$17. 0.52y + 2.5 = 5.1$$

$$0.52y + 2.5 = 5.1$$

Write the original problem

$$0.52y + 2.5 - (2.5) = 5.1 - (2.5)$$

Subtract 2.5 from both side

$$0.52y = 2.6$$

Simplify

$$\frac{0.52y}{0.52} = \frac{2.6}{0.52}$$

Divide by 0.52 to both side

$$y = 5$$

Simplify

19. $-4.2 = 9.1x + 23.1$

$$-4.2 = 9.1x + 23.1$$

Write the original problem

$$-4.2 - (23.1) = 9.1x + 23.1 - (23.1)$$

Subtract 23.1 from both side

$$-27.3 = 9.1x$$

Simplify

$$\frac{-27.3}{9.1} = \frac{9.1x}{9.1}$$

Divide by 9.1 to both side

$$x = -3$$

Simplify

21. $x - 2(x + 10) = 12$

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Write the original problem

$$x - 2 \cdot (x) - 2 \cdot (10) = 12$$

Distribute

$$x - 2x - 20 = 12$$

Simplify

$$-x - 20 = 12$$

Combine like terms

$$-x - 20 + (20) = 12 + (20)$$

Add 20 to both side

$$-x = 32$$

Simplify

$$\frac{-x}{-1} = \frac{32}{-1}$$

Divide by -1 to both side

$$x = -32$$

Simplify

23. Show two different ways to solve $-10 = \frac{1}{4}(8y - 12)$

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$$\left(\frac{4}{1}\right)(-10) = \left(\frac{4}{1}\right)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)(8y - 12)$$

$$-10 = 2y - 3$$

$$-40 = 8y - 12$$

$$-10 + 3 = 2y - 3 + 3$$

$$-40 + 12 = 8y - 12 + 12$$

$$-7 = 2y$$

$$-28 = 8y$$

$$\frac{-7}{2} = \frac{2y}{2}$$

$$\frac{-28}{8} = \frac{8y}{8}$$

$$-\frac{7}{2} = y$$

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Write an equation to model each situation. Solve each equation.

25. Janis and Robert are shopping for new guitar string at the mall. Janis buys 3 packs of strings. Robert buys 2 packs of strings and a set of picks. The set of picks cost \$15. The total cost is \$ 40. What is the cost of one pack of string?

3 cost of packs of string + 2 cost of packs of string + cost of picks = \$40 total cost

s=packs of strings

$$3s + 2s + 15 = 40$$

$$5s + 15 = 40$$

$$5s + 15 - (15) = 40 - (15)$$

$$5s = 25$$

$$\frac{5s}{5} = \frac{25}{5}$$

$$s = 5$$

The cost of a pack of string is \$5.00.

27. George has a part-time job. He works for 5 hours on Friday and 7 hours on Saturday. He also receives his \$50 per week allowance. He earns \$146 per week. How much did he earn per hour at the part-time job?

5 hours x rate per hour + 7 hours x rate per hour + weekly allowance = \$146

E=earnings per hour

$$5E + 7E + 50 = 146$$

$$12E + 50 = 146$$

$$12E + 50 - (50) = 146 - (50)$$

$$\frac{12E}{12} = \frac{96}{12}$$

$$E = 8$$

George earns \$8.00 per hour.