



Making New, True Equations

Let's practice solving equations.

13.1

Worked Example: Solve Equations

Solve the equation $a + 2b = 5$ for b .

Step 1:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} a + 2b & = & 5 \\ -a & \swarrow & \searrow -a \\ 2b & = & 5 - a \end{array}$$

Step 2:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 2b & = & 5 - a \\ \div 2 & \swarrow & \searrow \div 2 \\ b & = & \frac{5-a}{2} \text{ or } b = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{a}{2} \end{array}$$

13.2

Solving for a Variable

Solve for the indicated variable.

1. Solve for k . $2t + k = 6$



2. Solve for n . $10n = 2p$

3. Solve for c . $12 - 6d = 3c$

4. Solve for g . $h = 8g + 4$

5. Solve for x . $4x + 3y = 12$

6. Solve for y . $4x + 3y = 12$



13.3

Row Game: Solving Some Equations

Work independently on your column. Partner A completes column A only, and partner B completes column B only. Your answers in each row should match. Work on one row at a time, and check whether your answer matches your partner's before moving on. If you don't get the same answer, work together to find any mistakes.

Solve each equation for x .

row	column A	column B
1	$4(2x + 8) - 10 = 14$	$4 + 2(-3x + 5) = 20$
2	$3(x - 4) + 6 = 60$	$3(\frac{1}{2}x + 9) - 5 = 55$
3	$4(\frac{x+3}{2}) - 5 = 10$	$7 - 2(6x + 1) = -49$
4	$2x + (5 - 3x) = 14$	$1 = 5x + 10 - 4x$
5	$4x + 2(3 - x) = 16$	$x + 2(x - 4) + 5 = 12$
6	$2x - 2(3x - 1) = 8$	$-6x + 2(4x + 5) = 7$

