

Worksheet 5-1: One-Step Equations

Step 1: Isolate the variable by **subtracting, adding, dividing OR multiplying**

*Hint: Identify the math operation and its opposite operation **FIRST!***

Steps	English
1. $x + 5 = 25$ $\begin{array}{r} -5 \quad -5 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $x = 20$	<p style="text-align: center;">"x plus 5 equals 25"</p> <p><i>Math Operation: Add Opposite Operation: Subtract</i></p> <p>Step: Isolate x by subtracting 5 from both sides (Simplify)</p>
2. $y - 7 = 18$ $\begin{array}{r} +7 \quad +7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $y = 25$	<p style="text-align: center;">"y minus 7 equals 18"</p> <p><i>Math Operation: Subtract Opposite Operation: Add</i></p> <p>Step: Isolate y by adding 7 to both sides (Simplify)</p>
3. $m + 10 = 27$	<p style="text-align: center;">"m plus 10 equals 27"</p> <p><i>Math Operation: _____ Opposite Operation: _____</i></p> <p>Step: (Simplify)</p>
4. $n - 9 = -12$	<p style="text-align: center;">"n minus 9 equals -12"</p> <p><i>Math Operation: _____ Opposite Operation: _____</i></p> <p>Step: (Simplify)</p>

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5. $6x = 42$ $\frac{6x}{6} = \frac{42}{6}$ $x = 7$	<p style="text-align: center;">"6x equals 42"</p> <p><i>Math Operation: Multiply Opposite Operation: Divide</i></p> <p>Step: Isolate x by dividing both sides with 6 (Simplify)</p>
6. $9y = -108$	<p style="text-align: center;">"9y equals -108"</p> <p><i>Math Operation: _____ Opposite Operation: _____</i></p> <p>Step: (Simplify)</p>
7. $\frac{x}{4} = -8$ $4\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) = 4(-8)$ $x = -32$	<p style="text-align: center;">"x over 4 equals -8"</p> <p><i>Math Operation: Divide Opposite Operation: Multiply</i></p> <p>Step: Isolate x by multiplying both sides with 4 (Simplify)</p>
8. $\frac{x}{10} = -2.5$	<p style="text-align: center;">"x over 10 equals -2.5"</p> <p><i>Math Operation: _____ Opposite Operation: _____</i></p> <p>Step: (Simplify)</p>

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9. $\frac{c}{5} = 7$	<p>_____</p> <p><i>Math Operation:</i> _____ <i>Opposite Operation:</i> _____</p> <p>Step:</p> <p>(Simplify)</p>
10. $p - 1 = 10$	<p>_____</p> <p><i>Math Operation:</i> _____ <i>Opposite Operation:</i> _____</p> <p>Step:</p> <p>(Simplify)</p>
11. $w + 8 = -4$	<p>_____</p> <p><i>Math Operation:</i> _____ <i>Opposite Operation:</i> _____</p> <p>Step:</p> <p>(Simplify)</p>
12. $7a = -49$	<p>_____</p> <p><i>Math Operation:</i> _____ <i>Opposite Operation:</i> _____</p> <p>Step:</p> <p>(Simplify)</p>
13. $\frac{w}{-2} = 24$	<p>_____</p> <p><i>Math Operation:</i> _____ <i>Opposite Operation:</i> _____</p> <p>Step:</p> <p>(Simplify)</p>

Solving One-Step Equations

Solve. (Always check your answer by substitution!)

1. $x - 11 = 22$

7. $\frac{y}{6} = -8$

2. $y + 12 = 28$

8. $\frac{n}{-2} = -18$

3. $m - 23 = -33$

9. $-12 = \frac{b}{6}$

4. $n + 9 = -25$

10. $-3k = 33$

5. $7 + a = 21$

11. $-c = -100$

6. $15 = -8 + w$

12. $-125 = 5d$

Answers: 1. $x = 33$; 2. $y = 16$; 3. $m = -10$; 4. $n = -34$; 5. $a = 14$; 6. $w = 23$; 7. $y = -48$; 8. $n = 36$;
9. $b = -72$; 10. $k = -11$; 11. $c = 100$; 12. $d = -25$