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Study Guide and Intervention***Variables and Equations***

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Example 1 ALGEBRA Find the solution of $27 - p = 14$. Is it 11, 13, or 15?

Value for p	$27 - p = 14$	True or False?
11	$27 - 11 \neq 15$	false
13	$27 - 13 \neq 14$	true
15	$27 - 15 \neq 14$	false

Verbal sentences can be translated into equations and then solved.

Example 2 ALGEBRA The sum of a number and six is twenty-one. Find the number.

Let n = the number.

Words The sum of a number and six is twenty-one.

Variables Let n = the number.

Equation $n + 6 = 21$ Write the equation.

$15 + 6 = 21$ Think: What number added to 6 is 21?

$n = 15$ The solution is 15.

Exercises

ALGEBRA Find the solution of each equation from the list given.

- $b + 11 = 29$; 16, 18, 20
- $h + 7 = 42$; 35, 37, 39
- $37 - x = 24$; 9, 11, 13
- $26 - m = 18$; 6, 8, 10
- $v - 6 = 5$; 7, 9, 11
- $6r = 48$; 6, 8, 10
- $\frac{63}{a} = 9$; 7, 9, 11
- $k - 16 = 15$; 31, 33, 35
- $121 = 11p$; 9, 11, 13
- $\frac{x}{5} = 15$; 70, 75, 80
- $2n + 1 = 7$; 3, 4, 5
- $11 = 3y - 25$; 10, 11, 12

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- The product of seven and a number is fifty-six.
- The quotient of eighty-two and a number is two.
- The difference between a number and four is twelve.

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Practice

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2. $z + 31 = 72$; 37, 39, 41

3. $25 - p = 0$; 21, 23, 25

4. $s - 14 = 2$; 12, 14, 16

5. $19 = t - 21$; 40, 42, 44

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7. $9q = 72$; 6, 8, 10

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9. $\frac{75}{n} = 15$; 5, 7, 9

10. $\frac{p}{8} = 10$; 80, 84, 88

ALGEBRA Solve each equation mentally.

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12. $26 + h = 35$

13. $n - 6 = 12$

14. $36 \div a = 12$

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19. The sum of 3, 5, and a number is 15.

20. The difference of a number and 16 is 5.

21. The quotient of 56 and a number is 7.

22. A number increased by 30 is 63.

23. Eight times a number is 32.

24. A number decreased by 4 is 41.

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26. **FOOD** Junot and Lisa ordered a pizza and cut it into six slices. If Junot ate one slice and Lisa ate one slice, how many slices are left? **Let s the number of slices. So, $6 - 1 - 1 = s$. There are 4 slices left.**