

Chapter 1 Practice Test Answer Key

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1. The equation $3x - 4 = 11$ is solved as shown. Describe the inverse operations used in each step.

$$3x - 4 = 11$$

Step 1: $3x - 4 + 4 = 11 + 4$

Step 2:
$$\begin{aligned} 3x &= 15 \\ \frac{3x}{3} &= \frac{15}{3} \\ x &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

In Step 1, 4 was added to both sides of the equation to undo the subtraction.

In Step 2, both sides of the equation were divided by 3 to undo multiplication.

Solve each equation.

2. $2x - 7 = 19$

$$2x - 7 + 7 = 19 + 7$$

$$2x = 26$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{26}{2}$$

$$x = 13$$

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

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

$$\frac{2}{3}x = 5\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{3}{2}\left(\frac{2}{3}x\right) = \frac{3}{2}\left(5\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$x = 7\frac{7}{8}$$

4. Determine if there is one solution, no solution, or an infinite number of solutions.

$$2(3x + 4) - (x - 8) = 3(4x + 2) - 7x + 10$$

$$2(3x + 4) - (x - 8) = 3(4x + 2) - 7x + 10$$

$$6x + 8 - x + 8 = 12x + 6 - 7x + 10$$

$$5x + 16 = 5x + 16$$

Infinite solutions

5. Monica bought 3 types of fruit for a fruit salad. She paid twice as much for blueberries as for oranges, and \$1.50 less for strawberries than for blueberries.

- a. Define a variable and write algebraic expressions to represent the amount she spent on each type of fruit.

Let c be the amount she spent on oranges; $2c$ represents the cost of blueberries; $2c - 1.50$ represents the cost of strawberries.

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- b. If the total cost was \$12.25, how much did Monica spend on each type of fruit?

$$c + 2c + (2c - 1.50) = 12.25$$

$$5c - 1.5 = 12.25$$

$$5c = 13.75$$

$$c = 2.75$$

She spent \$2.75 on oranges, $2(2.75) = \$5.50$ on blueberries, and $5.50 - 1.50 = \$4.00$ on strawberries.

Solve and check each equation.

6. $\frac{6(2x - 1)}{5} = -18$

$$5\left(\frac{6(2x - 1)}{5}\right) = 5(-18)$$

$$6(2x - 1) = -90$$

$$12x - 6 = -90$$

$$12x - 6 + 6 = -90 + 6$$

$$12x = -84$$

$$\frac{12x}{12} = \frac{-84}{12}$$

$$x = -7$$

Check:

$$\frac{6(2(-7) - 1)}{5} \stackrel{?}{=} -18$$

$$\frac{6(-14 - 1)}{5} \stackrel{?}{=} -18$$

$$\frac{6(-15)}{5} \stackrel{?}{=} -18$$

$$\frac{-90}{5} \stackrel{?}{=} -18$$

$$-18 = -18$$

7. $\frac{-2(5x + 4)}{3} = -3(3x + 2) - \frac{7}{3}$

$$3\left(\frac{-2(5x + 4)}{3}\right) = 3\left(-3(3x + 2) - \frac{7}{3}\right)$$

$$-2(5x + 4) = -9(3x + 2) - 7$$

$$-10x - 8 = -27x - 18 - 7$$

$$-10x - 8 = -27x - 25$$

$$-10x - 8 + 8 = -27x - 25 + 8$$

$$-10x = -27x - 17$$

$$-10x + 27x = -27x - 17 + 27x$$

$$17x = -17$$

$$x = -1$$

Check:

$$\frac{-2(5(-1) + 4)}{3} \stackrel{?}{=} -3(3(-1) + 2) - \frac{7}{3}$$

$$\frac{-2(-5 + 4)}{3} \stackrel{?}{=} -3(-3 + 2) - \frac{7}{3}$$

$$\frac{-2(-1)}{3} \stackrel{?}{=} -3(-1) - \frac{7}{3}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \stackrel{?}{=} 3 - \frac{7}{3}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$