

3-4 Study Guide**Solving Multi-Step Equations**

Solve Multi-Step Equations To solve equations with more than one operation, often called **multi-step equations**, undo operations by working backward. Reverse the usual order of operations as you work.

ExampleSolve $5x + 3 = 23$.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 5x + 3 & = & 23 \\ -3 & & \\ \hline 5x & = & 20 \\ \frac{5x}{5} & = & \frac{20}{5} \\ \hline x & = & 4 \end{array}$$

Original equation.

Subtract 3 from each side.

Divide each side by 5.

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$$\begin{array}{rcl} 5x + 3 & \stackrel{?}{=} & 23 \\ 5(4) + 3 & \stackrel{?}{=} & 23 \\ 20 + 3 & \stackrel{?}{=} & 23 \\ 23 & \stackrel{?}{=} & 23 \quad \checkmark \end{array}$$

ExercisesSolve each equation. Then check your solution.

1. $5x + 2 = 27$

2. $6x + 9 = 27$

3. $5x + 16 = 51$

4. $14n - 8 = 34$

5. $0.6x - 1.5 = 1.8$

6. $\frac{7}{8}p - 4 = 10$

7. $16 = \frac{d - 12}{14}$

8. $8 + \frac{3n}{12} = 13$

9. $\frac{g}{-5} + 3 = -13$

10. $\frac{4b + 8}{-2} = 10$

11. $0.2x - 8 = -2$

12. $3.2y - 1.8 = 3$

13. $-4 = \frac{7x - (-1)}{-8}$

14. $8 = -12 + \frac{k}{-4}$

15. $0 = 10y - 40$

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- ALL WORK ON LOOSELEAF
 - Checks ARE WORTH 50% EACH! Do them!!
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