

2.2 Solving One-Step Equations

What are inverse operations?

operations that "undo" each other $+/-$
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What are equivalent equations?

equations that have the same solution

Solve each equation & check your solution.

1.
$$\begin{array}{r} \boxed{x} + 4.3 = 1.2 \\ \downarrow \quad -4.3 \quad -4.3 \\ \hline \boxed{x} = -3.1 \end{array}$$

Check:
$$\begin{array}{r} -3.1 + 4.3 \stackrel{?}{=} 1.2 \\ 1.2 = 1.2 \checkmark \end{array}$$

2.
$$\begin{array}{r} k + (-10) = -1 \\ \downarrow \quad +10 \quad +10 \\ \hline \boxed{k} = 9 \end{array}$$

Check:
$$\begin{array}{r} 9 + (-10) \stackrel{?}{=} -1 \\ -1 = -1 \checkmark \end{array}$$

Solve each equation & check your solution.

$$3. \quad \boxed{-8} + \boxed{d} = -15$$

$$\begin{array}{r} d + \boxed{-8} = -15 \\ d - 8 = -15 \\ \quad + 8 \qquad + 8 \\ \hline \boxed{d} = \boxed{-7} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -8 + d = -15 \\ \quad + 8 \qquad + 8 \\ \hline d = -7 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Check: } \underbrace{-8 + -7}_{-15} \stackrel{?}{=} -15 \\ -15 = -15 \checkmark$$

$$4. \quad -12.2 = n + \boxed{(-7.5)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -12.2 = n - 7.5 \\ \quad + 7.5 \qquad + 7.5 \\ \hline \boxed{-4.7 = n} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Check: } -12.2 \stackrel{?}{=} -4.7 + (-7.5) \\ -12.2 = -12.2 \checkmark$$

Solve each equation.

$$5. \quad m + \boxed{\left(-\frac{3}{8}\right)} = -\frac{5}{16}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} m + \frac{-3}{8} = -\frac{5}{16} \\ \quad - \frac{3}{8} \qquad - \frac{3}{8} \\ \hline \boxed{m} = \boxed{-\frac{11}{16}} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Check: } \underbrace{-\frac{11}{16} - \left(-\frac{3}{8}\right)}_{-\frac{5}{16}} \stackrel{?}{=} -\frac{5}{16} \\ -\frac{5}{16} = -\frac{5}{16} \checkmark$$

$$6. \quad -\frac{5}{6} + f = -3\frac{1}{2} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{must} \\ \text{change} \\ \text{to} \\ \text{improper} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -\frac{5}{6} + f = -\frac{7}{2} \\ \quad + \frac{5}{6} \qquad + \frac{5}{6} \\ \hline \boxed{f} = \boxed{-\frac{8}{3}} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Check: } \underbrace{-\frac{5}{6} + -\frac{8}{3}}_{-\frac{7}{2}} \stackrel{?}{=} -\frac{7}{2} \\ -\frac{7}{2} = -\frac{7}{2} \checkmark$$

Solve each equation & check your solution.

$$7. \quad \frac{-6k}{-6} = \frac{3}{-6}$$

$$\boxed{k = -0.5}$$

Check: $-6 \cdot (-0.5) \stackrel{?}{=} 3$
 $3 = 3 \checkmark$

$$8. \quad \frac{-2.4p}{-2.4} = \frac{-1.44}{-2.4}$$

$$\boxed{p = 0.6}$$

Check: $-2.4 \cdot (0.6) \stackrel{?}{=} -1.44$
 $-1.44 = -1.44 \checkmark$

$$9. \quad \frac{16 \cdot d}{16} = -4 \cdot 16$$

$$\boxed{d = -64}$$

Check: $\frac{-64}{16} \stackrel{?}{=} -4$
 $-4 = -4 \checkmark$

$$10. \quad \frac{5}{12} = \frac{h}{-8}$$

$$\boxed{-\frac{10}{3} = h}$$

Check: $\frac{5}{12} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{-\frac{10}{3}}{-8}$
 $\frac{5}{12} = \frac{5}{12} \checkmark$

Solve each equation.

$$11. \quad 2\frac{1}{3}m = -3\frac{1}{9}$$

$$\frac{\frac{7}{3} \cdot m}{\frac{7}{3}} = \frac{-\frac{28}{9}}{\frac{7}{3}}$$

$$\boxed{m = -\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$\frac{3}{7} \cdot \frac{7}{3} m = -\frac{28}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{7}$$

$$12. \quad \frac{-5w}{-5} = \frac{-0.75}{-5}$$

$$\boxed{w = 0.15}$$

$$13. \quad \frac{-15}{45} = \frac{45k}{45}$$

$$\boxed{-\frac{1}{3} = k}$$

$$14. \quad 5\frac{1}{4} = 3\frac{1}{2}f$$

$$\frac{\frac{21}{4}}{\frac{7}{2}} = \frac{\frac{7}{2} \cdot f}{\frac{7}{2}}$$

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

15. What number increased by 45 is -78?

Define a variable, write an equation,
and solve. *Let $x = \text{a number}$*

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x + 45 = -78 \\
 \underline{-45} \quad \underline{-45} \\
 x = -123
 \end{array}$$

16. A traffic helicopter descended 160 meters to observe road conditions. It leveled off at 225 meters. What was its original altitude? Define a variable, write an equation, & solve.