

## Bell Work

Solve and show all work.

1.  $5(a - 6) = 2a + 13$

2.  $3b - 1 = \frac{2}{3}b + 5$

3.  $4c + 5 = \frac{3c - 11}{2}$

4. What is a function?

**In this lesson, you will solve word problems.**

## **4-Steps**

- 1. Identify the variables.**
- 2. Set up an equation.**
- 3. Solve the equation.**
- 4. Answer the question with a complete sentence.**

1. Bill and Terry had a hot dog eating contest. Terry won by eating 3 more hot dogs than Bill. Together they ate 57 hot dogs. How many hot dogs did they each eat?

*Step #1*

Bill:  $x$

Terry:  $x + 3$

*Step #2*

$$x + x + 3 = 57$$

$$2x + 3 = 57$$

*Step #3*

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \quad -3 \\ \hline 2x = 54 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{54}{2}$$

$$x = 27$$

*Step #4*

Bill ate 27 hot dogs and  
Terry ate 30 hot dogs.

2. Marsha, Jan, and Cindy went grocery shopping. Marsha spent \$7.78 more than Cindy. Jan spent \$4.20 less than Marsha. They paid a total of \$86.09. How much did each of them spend on food?

	<i>Step #2</i>	$x + 7.78 + x + 7.78 - 4.20 = 86.09$
<i>Step #1</i>		
Marsha: $x + 7.78$	$= 32.69$	<i>Step #3</i>
Jan: $x + 7.78 - 4.20$	$= 28.49$	$3x + 11.36 = 86.09$
Cindy: $x$	$= 24.91$	$- 11.36 - 11.36$
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		$3x = 74.73$

*Step #4*

Marsha spent \$ 32.69, Jan spent \$28.49, and Cindy spent \$24.91.

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{74.73}{3}$$

$$x = 24.91$$

3. Find 2 consecutive integers with the sum of 165.

*Step #1*

$$1^{\text{st}}: x = 82$$

$$2^{\text{nd}}: x + 1 = 83$$

*Step #4*

The integers are 82 and 83.

*Step #2*  $x + x + 1 = 165$

*Step #3*  $2x + 1 = 165$

$$\begin{array}{r} -1 \quad -1 \\ \hline 2x = 164 \end{array}$$

$$2x = 164$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{164}{2}$$

$$x = 82$$

4. Find 3 consecutive integers with the sum of 198.

*Step #1*

$$1^{\text{st}}: x = 65$$

$$2^{\text{nd}}: x + 1 = 66$$

$$3^{\text{rd}}: x + 2 = 67$$

*Step #4*

The integers are  
65, 66, and 67.

*Step #2*  ~~$x + 1 + x + 2 = 198$~~

$$3x + 3 = 198$$

*Step #3*

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \quad -3 \\ \hline 3x = 195 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{195}{3}$$

$$x = 65$$

5. Find 2 consecutive even integers with the sum of -346.

*Step #1*

$$1^{\text{st}}: x = -174$$

$$2^{\text{nd}}: x + 2 = -172$$

*The 1<sup>st</sup> even integer is  $x$ , then 2<sup>nd</sup> even integer is  $x+2$ . You need to skip over the odd (-173) number.*

*Step #4*

The integers are  
-174 and -172.

$$\text{Step #2 } x + x + 2 = -346$$

$$\text{Step #3 } 2x + 2 = -346$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2 \quad -2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$2x = -348$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{-348}{2}$$

$$x = -174$$

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6. Find 2 consecutive odd integers with the sum of 432.

*Step #1*

$$1^{\text{st}}: x = 215$$

$$2^{\text{nd}}: x + 2 = 217$$

*The 1<sup>st</sup> odd integer is  $x$ , then 2<sup>nd</sup> odd integer is  $x+2$ . You need to skip over the even (216) number.*

*Step #4*

The integers are  
215 and 217.

*Step #2*  $x + x + 2 = 432$

$$2x + 2 = 432$$

*Step #3*

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x + 2 = 432 \\ -2 \quad -2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$2x = 430$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{430}{2}$$

$$x = 215$$

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**Assignment:**  
**Solving Equations Worksheet**