## **Using equations**

Forming and solving simple equations

**Keywords** 

You should know

## explanation 1a

explanation 1b

explanation 1c

1 Solve these equations.

**a** 
$$x + 2 = 6$$

**b** 
$$t - 3 = 7$$

$$c 3 + m = 2$$

**d** 
$$3x - 2 = 16$$

$$e 8 = 12a - 4$$

**f** 
$$22 = 6b - 8$$

$$\mathbf{g}$$
 12 + 4 $p$  = 4

**h** 
$$6a + 1 = -5$$

i 
$$5d - 4 = -19$$

## explanation 2a

explanation 2b

explanation 2c

**2** Solve these equations.

**a** 
$$12x = 2x + 10$$

**b** 
$$7x - 8 = 3x$$

$$c 6a + 3 = 2a + 7$$

**d** 
$$9p-4=10p-5$$
 **e**  $4q+6=3q+2$  **f**  $6-n=n-4$ 

$$e 4q + 6 = 3q + 2$$

$$6 - n = n - 4$$

**g** 
$$3-4n=2n-15$$
 **h**  $7n-20=-3n$  **i**  $4f+3=8-f$ 

**h** 
$$7n - 20 = -3n$$

$$4f + 3 = 8 - f$$

$$2 + 7t = t + 11$$

j 
$$2 + 7t = t + 11$$
 k  $-r - 5 = 4 + 2r$  l  $4 - 7s = 3s + 4$ 

$$1 \quad 4 - 7s = 3s + 4$$

**3** Solve these equations.

**a** 
$$2(x+1)=6$$

**b** 
$$5(m-2) = 15$$
 **c**  $5 = 2(a-1)$ 

$$5 = 2(a - 1)$$

**d** 
$$4(p-6)=0$$

**e** 
$$3(y+6)-24=0$$
 **f**  $2(z+1)+3=5$ 

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

**h** 
$$\frac{8}{b} = 4$$

i 
$$5 + \frac{8}{c} = 21$$

**j** 
$$4 - \frac{9}{k} = 7$$

$$\frac{3}{p} + 4 = 0$$

$$\frac{25}{g} = g$$

**4** Solve these equations.

Expand brackets first, then eliminate the letter from one side of the equation.

**a** 
$$2(2x+3) = 3(x+1)$$

**b** 
$$6(3g+2) = 4(4g+7)$$

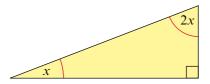
$$(m+1) + 2(2m+9) = 0$$

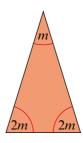
**d** 
$$2(3f+5)-12=16$$

## explanation 3

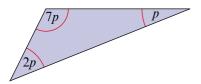
**5** What is the size of each angle in these triangles? Write equations and solve them.

a

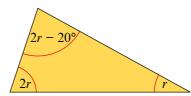




c



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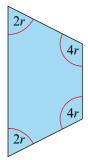


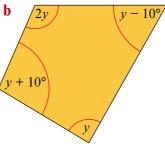
**6** What is the size of each angle in these quadrilaterals? Write equations and solve them.

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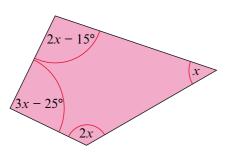
The sum of angles in a quadrilateral is 360°.

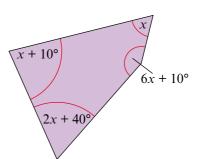
a



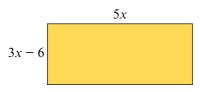


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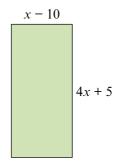




- **7** Write an equation for the perimeter of each rectangle. Use your equations to help you to work out the width and length of each rectangle.
  - a Perimeter =  $36 \, \text{cm}$

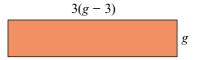


**b** Perimeter = 110 cm

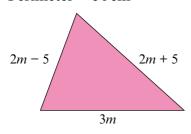


c Perimeter =  $50 \, cm$ 

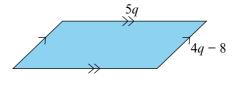
**d** Perimeter =  $46 \, \text{cm}$ 



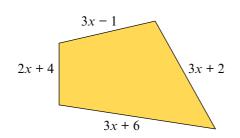
- **8** Write an equation for the perimeter of each shape. Use your equations to help you to work out the length of each side.
  - a Perimeter = 56 cm



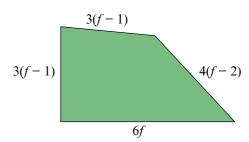
**b** Perimeter =  $74 \, \text{cm}$ 



c Perimeter = 36 cm



**d** Perimeter = 40 cm



explanation 4a

explanation 4b

- **9** What is the value of each letter? Write and solve equations to help you.
  - **a** When x is doubled and 4 added, the result is 12.
  - **b** When y is trebled and 6 subtracted, the result is 6.
  - **c** When *p* is multiplied by 4 and 3 added, the result is 27.
  - **d** When 2 is added to k and the answer multiplied by 5, the result is 25.
  - **e** When 4 is added to *m* and the answer multiplied by 6, the result is 24.
  - **f** When 3 is subtracted from twice *q* and the answer multiplied by 3, the result is 27.
- **10** Paula is y years old.

Paula's brother is 7 years older than Paula. Paula's sister is 2 years younger than Paula.

- **a** Write an expression in terms of *y* for the sum of the ages of the three children.
- **b** The sum of the ages of the three children is 20.
  - Use your answer to part **a** to write an equation involving *y*.
- **c** How old is Paula?
- **d** How old are Paula's brother and sister?
- 11 On Tuesday, Kate spent x minutes on her homework.

Ibrahim spent 20 minutes more than Kate.

Miguel spent 20 minutes more than Ibrahim.

- **a** Write an expression in terms of x for the total time Kate, Ibrahim and Miguel spent on their homework.
- **b** Kate, Ibrahim and Miguel spent a total of 120 minutes on their homework. Use your answer to part **a** to write an equation involving x.
- c How long did Kate spend on her homework?
- d How long did Ibrahim and Miguel spend on their homework?



**12** Three houses are for sale.

Acacia House is on sale for £x.

Beech Hall is on sale for twice as much as Acacia House.

Chestnut Cottage is on sale for £100 000 more than Acacia House.

The total sale price of the three houses is £600 000.





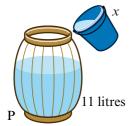


Acacia House

Beech Hall

Chestnut Cottage

- a Write an equation in terms of x for the total sale price of the three houses.
- **b** What is the sale price of Acacia House?
- **c** What is the sale price of Beech Hall and Chestnut Cottage?
- 13 Two barrels P and Q contain 11 litres and 3 litres of water respectively. *x* litres of water is added to both barrels.





**a** Write expressions in terms of x for the amount of water in each barrel after the extra water is added.

Barrel P now has three times the amount of water as barrel Q.

- **b** Write an equation in terms of x in order to show the relationship between the amounts of water in the barrels.
- **c** What is the amount of water added to each barrel?
- **d** What is the amount of water in both barrels after the water is added?