

## Example Puzzle

### A New Favorite Puzzle

Which is bigger?


$(10^6)^{30}$   $(2^3)^{30}$

$\parallel$   $\parallel$

$10^3$   $2^{10}$

$\sqrt[10]{10}$  or  $\sqrt[3]{2}$

Hint: They differ by less than 0.001.



Handwritten notes:  $10^3 = 1000$ ,  $2^{10} = 1024$

2. Solve for  $x$ :  $ax + b = c$ .

$A = c/a$      $B = bc/a$      $C = (c+b)/a$      $D = c-b/a$      $E = (c-b)/a$

3. Solve for  $x$ :  $2x + 7 = ax + k$

$A = (2 - k)/(a - 7)$

$B = (k - 7)/(2 - a)$

$C = (k - 7)/(a - 2)$

$D = k - 7/a - 2$      $E = ?$

$2x - ax + 7 = k$

$(2 - a)x + 7 = k$

$-7 \quad -7$

$(2 - a)x = k - 7$

$\div (2 - a) \quad \div (2 - a)$

$x = \frac{k - 7}{2 - a}$

## Word Problems!

4. The sum of three consecutive numbers is 99. What are the numbers?

$x, x+1, x+2$

$x + (x+1) + (x+2) = 99$

$$\frac{1}{2}(2-a)$$

- $$x = \frac{k-7}{2-a}$$


$$x + x+1 + x+2 = 99$$

$$\cancel{m-1} + m + \cancel{m+1} = 3m = 99$$

- $$x+y=110$$

$$2 \cdot x = 3y$$

- Answer:  $L = \frac{W}{W-1}$

Perimeter =  $2L + 2W$  

$$\text{Area} = L \cdot W$$

$$L + W = L \cdot W, \text{ so } L - LW = -W$$

$$L(1-w) = -w$$

$$L = \frac{-w}{1-w} \cdot \frac{(-1)}{(-1)} = \frac{w}{w-1} \checkmark$$

- 4.** Expand:  $(1-x)(1+x+x^2) = (1+x+x^2) - x(1+x+x^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \cancel{x} + \cancel{x^2} &= (1 + x + x^2) - (x + x^2 + x^3) \\ -\cancel{x} - \cancel{x^2} - x^3 &= 1 + x + x^2 - x - x^2 - x^3 \end{aligned}$$

	1	x	x <sup>2</sup>
1	1	<del>x</del>	<del>x<sup>2</sup></del>
-x	<del>-x</del>	<del>-x<sup>2</sup></del>	-x <sup>3</sup>

5. Twice one number is three times another number. The sum of the two numbers is 110. What are the numbers?

$$2 \cdot x = 3 \cdot y \quad \text{and} \quad x + y = 110$$

$$x = 3p = 66$$

$$y = 2p = 44$$

$$x + y = 3p + 2p = 5p = 110$$

$$p = 22$$

## You Try It!

3. Click A,B,C,D as you do these problems

(A) What is 20% of  $x$ ?  $.2x = \frac{x}{5}$

(B) What is 70% as a fraction?  $\frac{70}{100} = \frac{7}{10}$

(C) What is  $x\%$  of 50?  $x\% \cdot 50 = 50\% \cdot x = \frac{x}{2}$

(D) What is  $\frac{x}{x+1}$  as %?

$$\frac{x}{x+1} \cdot 100\% = \frac{100x}{x+1}\%$$

## One More Problem!

6. Express  $x\%$  of 4 plus  $y\%$  of 3 as a percentage of 12.

$$\left(\frac{x}{100} \cdot 4 + \frac{y}{100} \cdot 3\right) = \frac{P}{100} \cdot 12$$

$$4x + 3y = P \cdot 12$$

$$P = \frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{4}$$