

1. 8 less than p  
 $p - 8$

3. The product of v and w  
 $(v) \cdot (w)$   
 $vw$

5. 18 less than 8 times q  
 18 less than  $8q$   
 $8q - 18$   
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7. The product of 2 more than x and y  
 The product of  $(2 + x)$  and y  
 $(2 + x) \cdot (y)$   
 $y(2 + x)$

9. The sum of the cubes of w and v  
 The sum of  $w^3$  and  $v^3$   
 $w^3 + v^3$   
 $w^3 + v^3$

11. 20 more than twice z  
 20 more than  $2z$   
 $20 + 2z$   
 $20 + 2z$

13. 7 less than the difference of a and b  
 7 less than  $(a - b)$   
 $(a - b) - 7$

15.  
 The product of u and the total of c and d

The product of u and  $(c + d)$   
 $(u) \cdot (c + d)$   
 $u(c + d)$

17. 4 more than a number  
 Let x be any number.  
 $4 + x$   
 $4 + x$

19. The ratio of 9 more than k to r  
 The ratio of  $(9 + k)$  to r

$$\frac{9 + k}{r}$$

21.  
 7 times the product of 5 and a number.

Let x be any number.

7 times  $(5) \cdot (x)$   
 $7 \cdot (5x)$   
 $7(5x)$

23.  
 6 minus the sum of a number and 3.  
 Let x be any number.

6 minus  $(x + 3)$   
 $6 - (x + 3)$   
 $6 - (x + 3)$

25. Sixteen multiplied by one-fourth of a number.

Let  $x$  be any number.

16 multiplied by one-fourth of  $x$

16 multiplied by  $\frac{1}{4}x$

$$16\left(\frac{1}{4}x\right)$$

27.

Alice and Joan have a total of 25 coins.

Alice's coins + Joan's coins = 25 coins.

Let Alice have  $x$  coins, and Joan have  $25 - x$  coins, then

$$x + (25 - x) = 25 \text{ coins}$$

29. A sailboat travels 4 more hours than a motorboat. If  $x$  is the number of hours the motorboat traveled, then  $x + 4$  is the number of hours the sailboat traveled.

31. Don is 8 years older than Timmy.

Let Tim be  $x$  years old and Don be  $x + 8$ .

If Tim is  $x$  years old now, then in 15 years he will be  $x + 15$ .

Don is  $x + 8$  years old now, so in 15 years he will be  $x + 8 + 15$ .

In 15 years, Timmy will be  $x + 15$  years old and Don will be  $x + 23$  years old.

33. Vicki is twice as old as Chris.

Let Chris be  $x$  years old and Vicki be  $2x$  years old.

If Chris is  $x$  years old now, then 3 years ago, he was  $x - 3$ .

Since Vicki is  $2x$  years old now, then 3 years ago she was  $2x - 3$ .

35. Tina is five years more than twice Becky's age.

Let Becky be  $x$  years old, then Tina is  $2x + 5$  years old.

If Becky is  $x$  years old now, then in 8 years she will be  $x + 8$ .

Since Tina is  $5 + 2x$  years old now, then in 8 years she will be  $(2x + 5) + 8$ .

So in 8 years, Becky will be  $x + 8$  and Tina will be  $2x + 13$ .

37. Find a variable expression for two odd consecutive integers.

Let  $x$  be any odd integer, then  $x + 1$  is the next integer (which is even), so the next odd integer is  $x + 2$ .

Therefore,  $x$  and  $x + 2$  are two consecutive odd integers.

39. Find a variable expression for four consecutive integers.

Let  $x$  be any integer, then  $x + 1$  is the next consecutive integer, and  $x + 2$  is the next, and so on.

So the four consecutive integers are:

$$x, x + 1, x + 2, x + 3$$

41. Sally is **three times** as old as Mary.  
If **Mary is  $x$  years old**,  
then **Sally is  $3x$  years old**.

43. Sean is four times as old as Stan.  
If Stan is  $x$  years old now, then 5 years ago he was  **$x - 5$**  years old.  
Since Sean is  $4x$  years old now, then 5 years ago he was  **$4x - 5$** .

45. Sean is four times as old as Stan.  
If Stan is  $x$  years old now, in 6 years he will be  **$x + 6$** . Since Sean is  $4x$  years old now, in 6 years he will be  **$4x + 6$** .

47. Barry is one more than two times as old as Nancy.  
If Nancy is  $x$  years old, then Barry is  **$1 + 2x$** .

49. Barry is one more than two times as old as Nancy.  
If Nancy is  $x$  years old now, then 3 years ago, she was  $x - 3$ .  
Since Barry is  $1 + 2x$  years old now, then 3 years ago he was  $(1 + 2x) - 3$ .  
So, 3 years ago Nancy was  **$x - 3$** , and Barry was  **$2x - 2$** .

51. Let  $x$  represent how many pounds there are of almonds at \$5.00.

If there are  $x$  pounds of almonds, then there are  $89 - x$  pounds of pecans.

Almonds \$5.00:  $x$  pounds

Pecans \$2.00:  $89 - x$  pounds