

Consider this equation:

$$2x + y = 3z + 2a$$

- How is the equation like a balance
  - What does that mean to you mathematically?
- equal on both sides
  - one operation on each side
  - we don't know the "real" value of either side
  - anything we do to one side has to be done to the other in order to "keep the balance"

- Starting today: New material (no more review)
- You need to retake and pass skills test #1 before the end of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter (10/28)
  - the sooner the better!
  - you will need to schedule time with me
- Course syllabus on my web site - print it, sign it, give to parents/guardians to sign, returned by Fri. 9/26

$x$                        $2x = y + 3$

Algebra - using variables and variable expressions  
to help and/or simplify problem solving

when you have an equation, it will  
remain balanced if you add or subtract  
the same number from both sides of  
the equation

1. If the side of the equation that has  
the variable has a number added or  
subtracted, add or subtract the opposite  
of that number
2. If the side of the equation that  
has the variable has a number  
multiplying or dividing the variable:
  - divide both sides of the equation  
by numbers that are multiplying the  
variable
  - multiply both sides of the equation  
by numbers that are dividing the  
variable
  - If there is a fraction multiplying the  
variable, multiply both sides of the  
equation by the reciprocal of that fraction
- If the equation has both a coefficient  
for the variable and addition or subtraction,  
do step 1 1<sup>st</sup>, and step 2 2<sup>nd</sup>.

4.  $y + 5 = -13$

$$\begin{array}{r} +5 \quad +5 \\ \hline y = -18 \end{array}$$

5.  $a - 17 = -10$

6.  $41 = 52 + m$

7.  $c - 2.4 = 1.8$

8.  $z + 4.1 = 9.6$

$$\begin{array}{r} +4.1 \quad +4.1 \\ \hline z = 5.5 \end{array}$$

9.  $-3.2 = 4.5 + p$

$$\begin{array}{r} +4.5 \quad +4.5 \\ \hline -7.7 = p \end{array}$$

$$13. \quad \frac{-52}{-4} = \frac{-4y}{-4}$$

$$13 = y$$

$$14. \quad \frac{1}{3}n = 36 \cdot 3$$

$$n = 108$$

$$15. \quad \frac{4}{3} \cdot -\frac{3}{4}a = \frac{12}{1} \cdot \frac{-4}{3} = \frac{-48}{3}$$

$$a = -16$$

$$16. \quad \frac{0.5y}{0.5} = \frac{17}{0.5}$$

$$y = 34$$

$$17. \quad \frac{-1.4a}{-1.4} = \frac{2.8}{-1.4}$$

$$a = -2$$

$$18. \quad \frac{-6.5}{-1.3} = \frac{-1.3m}{-1.3}$$

$$5 = m$$

$$1. \quad 3n + 14 = 35$$

$$\quad \quad \quad +14 \quad +14$$


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$$\frac{3n}{3} = \frac{21}{3}$$

$$n = 7$$

$$2. \quad 7y - 10 = 11$$

$$\quad \quad \quad +10 \quad +10$$


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$$\frac{7y}{7} = \frac{21}{7}$$

$$y = 3$$

$$3. \quad 14 = 9 - x$$

$$\quad \quad \quad +9 \quad +9$$


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$$\frac{5}{-1} = \frac{-x}{-1}$$

$$-5 = x$$

$$4. \quad 9c - 5 = 13$$

$$\quad \quad \quad +5 \quad +5$$


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$$\frac{9c}{9} = \frac{18}{9}$$

$$c = 2$$

$$5. \quad 4.6 = 4m - 3.4$$

$$\quad \quad \quad +3.4 \quad +3.4$$


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$$\frac{8}{4} = \frac{4m}{4}$$

$$m = 2$$

$$6. \quad 1.2 = 2.4 - 3l$$

Homework:

p. 138, 18-48 (every 3<sup>rd</sup>), 54

p. 144, 3-33 (every 3<sup>rd</sup>), 38-44 (even)