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`\def` ⟨*control sequence*⟩ ⟨*parameter text*⟩ `{` ⟨*replacement text*⟩ `}`

This command defines ⟨*control sequence*⟩ as a macro with the specified ⟨*parameter text*⟩ and ⟨*replacement text*⟩. See page '`macro`' for a full explanation of how to write a macro definition.

Example:
```
\def\add#1+#2=?{#1+#2&=
    \count255=#1 \advance\count255 by #2 \number\count255\cr}
$$\eqalign{
    \add 27+9=?
    \add -5+-8=?}$$
```
produces:

$$27 + 9 = 36$$
$$-5 + -8 = -13$$