Lesson 5.5 Solving I-Step Equations: Addition & Subtraction

Subtraction Property of Equality

If you subtract the same number from each side of an equation, the two sides remain equal.

$$x + 12 = 20$$

To undo the addition of 12, subtract 12.

$$x + 12 - 12 = 20 - 12$$

$$x + 0 = 8$$

$$x = 8$$

Addition Property of Equality

If you add the same number to each side of an equation, the two sides remain equal.

$$n - 3 = 15$$

To undo the subtraction of 3, add 3.

$$n-3+3=15+3$$

$$n - 0 = 18$$

$$n = 18$$

Write the operation that would undo the operation in the equation.

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1.
$$x - 4 = 3$$

2.
$$y + 7 = 25$$

b

$$8 = b + 4$$

$$3 = a - 7$$

Solve each equation.

a

b

$$y + 5 = 9$$

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$$x - 3 = 14$$

4.
$$7 = x - 4$$

$$b + 7 = 19$$

$$y + 5 = 5$$

5.
$$z-7=5$$

$$m-5=5$$

$$n + l = l$$

6.
$$x + 7 = 10$$

$$x - 3 = 18$$

$$x + 0 = 9$$

$$b - 8 = 12$$

$$n + 8 = 12$$

8.
$$z - 10 = 20$$

$$z + 5 = 20$$

Write and solve the equation for each problem below.

- 9. Kelley went to the movies. She took 20 dollars with her. When she came home, she had 6 dollars. How much money did she spend?
- 10. There are 27 students in Mrs. Yuen's homeroom. Twelve of them have home computers. How many students do not have home computers?



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