

Topic: Symbols of inclusion**Question:** Simplify the expression.

$$[(5 - 4)3 + 2(6 - 4)] + 2$$

Answer choices:

A 10

B 8

C 20

D 9



Solution: D

PEMDAS and order of operations tells us that we have to do

P **Parentheses**

$$[(5 - 4)3 + 2(6 - 4)] + 2$$

$$[(1)3 + 2(2)] + 2$$

$$(3 + 4) + 2$$

$$7 + 2$$

E **Exponents**

M **Multiplication**

D **Division**

A **Addition**

$$9$$

S **Subtraction**



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$$2 [(5 - 2) + 6] - (10 - 3)$$

Answer choices:

A 10

B 11

C 13

D 2



Solution: B

PEMDAS and order of operations tells us that we have to do

P **Parentheses**

$$2 [(5 - 2) + 6] - (10 - 3)$$

$$2(3 + 6) - 7$$

$$2(9) - 7$$

E **Exponents**

M **Multiplication**

$$18 - 7$$

D **Division**

A **Addition**

S **Subtraction**

$$11$$



Topic: Symbols of inclusion**Question:** Simplify this expression.

$$3\{2[4 + 3(7 - 5) - 4]\}$$

Answer choices:

A 216

B 60

C 36

D 24



Solution: C

To simplify

$$3\{2[4 + 3(7 - 5) - 4]\}$$

first, work inside the parentheses.

$$(7 - 5) = 2$$

Write 2 inside the parentheses.

$$3\{2[4 + 3(2) - 4]\}$$

Second, work inside the brackets.

Multiply $3(2) = 6$ and write 6 in place of $3(2)$.

$$3\{2[4 + 6 - 4]\}$$

Add $[4 + 6 - 4] = 6$ and write 6 in place of $[4 + 6 - 4]$.

$$3\{2[6]\}$$

Third, work inside the braces.

$$\{2[6]\} = 12$$

$$3\{12\}$$

Finally, multiply $3\{12\}$.

$$36$$

