**Topic**: Two-step problems

**Question**: If x + 5 = 10, what is x + 3?

# **Answer choices:**

**A** 8

B 10

**C** 5

D 13

### **Solution**: A

First, we'll solve the equation x + 5 = 10 to find the value of x.

$$x + 5 = 10$$

$$x + 5 - 5 = 10 - 5$$

$$x = 5$$

Now we'll take the value we found for x and plug it into the expression x+3 to answer the question we've been asked.

$$x + 3$$

$$5 + 3$$

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**Question**: If 6(2x - 5) = 54, what is 3x - 4?

# **Answer choices:**

A 25

B 17

**C** 24

D 19

### Solution: B

First, we'll solve the equation 6(2x - 5) = 54 to find the value of x.

$$6(2x - 5) = 54$$

$$12x - 30 = 54$$

$$12x = 84$$

$$x = 7$$

Now we'll take the value we found for x and plug it into the expression 3x - 4 to answer the question we've been asked.

$$3x - 4$$

$$3(7) - 4$$

$$21 - 4$$

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**Question**: If 9t - 4 = 3 - 5t, then what is the value of  $12t^2 + 2$ ?

## **Answer choices:**

**A** 5

B 6

**C** 8

D 10

Solution: A

First, we'll solve the equation 9t - 4 = 3 - 5t to find the value of t.

$$9t - 4 = 3 - 5t$$

$$14t - 4 = 3$$

$$14t = 7$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2}$$

Now we'll take the value we found for t and plug it into the expression  $12t^2 + 2$  to answer the question we've been asked.

$$12\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 2$$

$$12\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 2$$

$$12\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 2$$

$$3 + 2$$

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