

## Practice 2-4 Variables and Equations

**Is the given number a solution of the equation?**

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| 1. $9k = 10 - k; -1$ _____             | 2. $-7r - 15 = -2r; -3$ _____    |
| 3. $3g \div (-6) = 5 - g; -10$ _____   | 4. $-3p = 4p + 35; -5$ _____     |
| 5. $8 - e = 2e - 16; 8$ _____          | 6. $5 - 15s = 8 - 16s; 3$ _____  |
| 7. $2(x - 2) - 5x = 5(2 - x); 7$ _____ | 8. $6a + 3 = 3(3a - 2); 4$ _____ |

**Is each equation true, false, or an open sentence?**

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| 9. $14 = x - 9$<br>_____              | 10. $8 + 7 = 10$<br>_____            |
| 11. $4 - 15 = 22 - 33$<br>_____       | 12. $5 + x = 90 \div 9 + 4$<br>_____ |
| 13. $-7(5 - 9) = 19 - 3(-3)$<br>_____ | 14. $6(5 - 8) = 2(10 - 1)$<br>_____  |

**Write an equation for each sentence. Is each equation true, false, or an open sentence.**

15. One fifth of a number  $n$  is equal to  $-7$ .  
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16. The product of 13 and  $-7$  is  $-91$ .  
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17. Fifty-four divided by six equals negative nine.  
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18. Seven less than the product of a number  $z$  and 3 is equal to 4.  
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**Write an equation. Is the given value a solution?**

19. A truck driver drove 468 miles on Tuesday. That was 132 miles farther than she drove on Monday. Let  $d$  represent the distance she drove on Monday. Did she drive 600 miles on Monday?  
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## 2-4 • Guided Problem Solving

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**Write an equation. Is the given value a solution?**

**Weight** A veterinarian weighs 140 lb. When she steps on a scale while holding a dog, the scale shows 192 lb. Let  $d$  represent the weight of the dog. Does the dog weigh 52 lb?

### **Read and Understand**

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1. How much does the veterinarian weigh? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What does the variable  $d$  represent? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How much do the dog and veterinarian weigh together? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What are you asked to do? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Plan and Solve**

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5. Write a variable expression to represent the total weight of the veterinarian and dog. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Write an equation in which the variable expression is equal to the scale weight of the veterinarian and dog. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Is the equation you wrote true, false, or an open sentence? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Substitute 52 for  $d$  in the equation. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Is the equation true or false? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Does the dog weigh 52 lb? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Look Back and Check**

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11. Subtract 52 lb from 192 lb. \_\_\_\_\_  
If the dog weighs 52 lb, the difference will be equal to the weight of the veterinarian.

### **Solve Another Problem**

12. Drew has 32 trading cards. Together, Beth and Drew have 56 trading cards. Let  $b$  represent the number of trading cards Beth has. Write an equation to find out whether Beth has 25 trading cards.  
  
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