

**Practice 2-5 Solving Equations by Adding or Subtracting****Use mental math to solve each equation.**

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| 1. $-52 = -52 + k$ _____     | 2. $837 = p + 37$ _____ |
| 3. $x - 155 = 15$ _____      | 4. $180 = 80 + n$ _____ |
| 5. $2,000 + y = 9,500$ _____ | 6. $81 = x - 19$ _____  |
| 7. $111 + f = 100$ _____     | 8. $w - 6 = -16$ _____  |

**Solve each equation.**

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| 9. $m - 17 = -8$ _____     | 10. $k - 55 = 67$ _____         |
| 11. $-44 + n = 36$ _____   | 12. $-36 = p - 91$ _____        |
| 13. $x - 255 = 671$ _____  | 14. $19 = c - (-12)$ _____      |
| 15. $x + 14 = 21$ _____    | 16. $31 = p + 17$ _____         |
| 17. $-19 = k + 9$ _____    | 18. $87 + y = 19$ _____         |
| 19. $36 + n = 75$ _____    | 20. $-176 = h + (-219)$ _____   |
| 21. $41 + k = 7$ _____     | 22. $1,523 + c = 2,766$ _____   |
| 23. $-88 + z = 0$ _____    | 24. $-33 + (-7) = 29 + m$ _____ |
| 25. $t + (-2) = -66$ _____ | 26. $-390 + x = 11 - 67$ _____  |

27. The combined enrollment in the three grades at Jefferson Middle School is 977. There are 356 students in the seventh grade and 365 in the eighth grade. Write and solve an equation to find how many students are in the ninth grade.

Equation \_\_\_\_\_

Solution \_\_\_\_\_

## 2-5 • Guided Problem Solving

### **GPS** Student Page 89, Exercise 22

**Languages** In 1996, 487 million people across the world spoke English. This was 512 million people fewer than the number who spoke Mandarin Chinese. Write and solve an equation to find the number of people  $n$  who spoke Mandarin Chinese.

#### **Read and Understand**

1. How many people in the world spoke English in 1996? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What information are you given about the number of people who spoke Mandarin Chinese in 1996? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. What are you asked to do? \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### **Plan and Solve**

4. Use the sentence “In millions, 487 is 512 fewer than the number of people  $n$  who spoke Mandarin Chinese” to write an equation that can be solved for  $n$ , the number of people who spoke Mandarin Chinese. \_\_\_\_\_
5. What number should you add to each side of the equation to get the variable  $n$  alone on one side? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Solve the equation for  $n$ . \_\_\_\_\_
7. How many people in the world spoke Mandarin Chinese in 1996? \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Look Back and Check**

8. Subtract 512 million from your answer to Question 7. \_\_\_\_\_  
The result should be equal to the number of people across the world who spoke English in 1996.

#### **Solve Another Problem**

9. There are 32 eighth-grade students enrolled in physical science. This is 119 fewer than the number of students enrolled in Earth science. Write and solve an equation to find the number of students  $s$  who are enrolled in Earth science.  
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