

**Solving Equations - Part 1**

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**DO NOW (complete in your PRACTICE NOTEBOOK)**

Using the equations below, solve for  $x$  using *two different methods*. Work neatly and compare your work to the person sitting next to you.

$$4(x + 3) = 20$$

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**3-109. SOLVING BY REWRITING**

David wants to solve for  $x$  in the equation  $4(x + 3) = 20$ . He said, “*I can rewrite this equation by distributing the 4 on the left side.*” After distributing, what should his new equation be? Solve this equation using David’s method.

**3-110. SOLVING BY UNDOING**

Juan says, “*I see the whole thing a different way.*” Here is how he explains his approach to solving  $4(x + 3) = 20$ , which he calls “undoing”: “*Instead of distributing first, I want to eliminate the 4 from the left side by undoing the multiplication.*”

- a. What can Juan do to both sides of the equation to remove the 4? Why does this work?

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Read the *Properties of Equality* below. Then answer the questions that follow in your **NOTES NOTEBOOK!**

## Properties of Equality

### Addition Property of Equality

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

**Numbers**  $6 + 4 = 6 + 4$   
 $10 = 10$

**Algebra**  $x - 5 + 5 = 3 + 5$   
 $x = 8$

### Multiplication Property of Equality

**Words** When you multiply each side of an equation by the same nonzero number, the two sides remain equal.

**Numbers**  $\frac{6}{3} \cdot 3 = 2 \cdot 3$   
 $6 = 6$

**Algebra**  $\frac{z}{3} \cdot 3 = 2 \cdot 3$   
 $z = 6$

### Subtraction Property of Equality

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

**Numbers**  $7 - 2 = 7 - 2$   
 $5 = 5$

**Algebra**  $y + 3 - 3 = 1 - 3$   
 $y = -2$

### Division Property of Equality

**Words** When you divide each side of an equation by the same nonzero number, the two sides remain equal.

**Numbers**  $6 \cdot 2 \div 2 = 12 \div 2$   
 $6 = 6$

**Algebra**  $\frac{2w}{2} = \frac{12}{2}$   
 $w = 6$

1. What similarities do the properties of equality all share?

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2. Which rule does Juan use in **3-110**. How do you know?

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3. Suppose we followed David's advice and 'distributed the 4 in the left side. Which property listed above must we use next? Why?

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**Independent Practice (after Whiteboard Practice)**

Please copy the equation and show your work for the equations below. Title the practice "Solving Equations Practice". For each step, list the property being used

**1** Solve.

**12.**  $3n + 16 = 7n$

**14.**  $5n + 3 = 14 - 6n$

**16.**  $6x + 3 = x + 8$

**13.**  $8x - 3 = 11 - 6x$

**15.**  $3(2x + 11) = 6x + 3$

**17.**  $7y - 8 = 5y + 4$

**(AREIA1) Solving Equations - QUICK CHECK**

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**Carmen is asked to solve this linear equation for  $x$ . She completes these steps.**

**What is the justification for the math used to complete each step?**

Original equation: $-\frac{1}{4}(x + 4) = -\frac{3}{4}x + 2$	
Step 1: $-\frac{1}{4}x - 1 = -\frac{3}{4}x + 2$	Step 1:
Step 2: $\frac{2}{4}x - 1 = 2$	Step 2:
Step 3: $\frac{2}{4}x = 2 + 1$	Step 3:
Step 4: $\frac{1}{2}x = 3$	Step 4:
Step 5: $x = 6$	Step 5:

***Properties of Equalities (NOTE: Some may be used more than once. Some may not be used at all!)***

Addition Property of Equality	Multiplication Property of Equality	Distributive Property
Subtraction Property of Equality	Division property of Equality	Like Terms can be combined



**Try This****Model and solve each equation.****Create the diagrams with algebra tiles here OR solve the equation algebraically in your PRACTICE NOTEBOOK!**

**1.  $x + 3 = -x - 3$**

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**2.  $3x = -3x + 18$**

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*Here are two more to try in your PRACTICE NOTEBOOK!*

$$3. 6 - 3x = -4x + 8 \quad 4. 3x + 3x + 2 = x + 17$$

