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## Notetaking with Vocabulary

**Learning target:** Understand solving linear equations.

**Success criteria:** I can describe how to solve simple equations.

**Write the meaning of each vocabulary term.**

conjecture - guess - unproven mathematical statement

rule

theorem

} proven statement about a mathematical concept

equation - a statement that 2 expressions are equal

$$\underbrace{x+10}_{\text{expression}} = \underbrace{5}_{\text{expression}}$$

linear equation in one variable

an equation that can be written  $ax + b = 0$

$$5x - 2 = 0$$

solution

- a number (s) that makes equation true

inverse operations

- operations that undo each other

$$\begin{array}{l} \cdot / \div \quad \sqrt{x} / x^2 \\ + / - \end{array}$$

equivalent equations

- equations that have the same solutions

### Core Concepts

### Rules

#### Addition Property of Equality

**Words** Adding the same number to each side of an equation produces an equivalent equation.

**Algebra** If  $a = b$ , then  $a + c = b + c$ .

**Notes:**

$$\begin{array}{r} z - 5 = 8 \\ +5 \quad +5 \end{array}$$

$$z = 13$$

→ Addition Property of Equality

#### Subtraction Property of Equality

**Words** Subtracting the same number from each side of an equation produces an equivalent equation.

**Algebra** If  $a = b$ , then  $a - c = b - c$ .

**Notes:**  $w + 4 = 16$   
 $-4 \quad -4$       Justify  
Sub. Prop. of =      Check  
 $w = 12$        $(12) + 4 \stackrel{?}{=} 16$   
 $16 = 16 \checkmark$

### Multiplication Property of Equality

**Words** Multiplying each side of an equation by the same nonzero number produces an equivalent equation.

**Algebra** If  $a = b$ , then  $a \cdot c = b \cdot c$ ,  $c \neq 0$ .

**Notes:**  $\frac{2}{1} \cdot \frac{n}{2} = -15 \cdot -2$   
 $n = 30$       Check  
 $\frac{30}{-2} \stackrel{?}{=} -15$   
 $-15 = -15 \checkmark$

### Division Property of Equality

**Words** Dividing each side of an equation by the same nonzero number produces an equivalent equation.

**Algebra** If  $a = b$ , then  $a \div c = b \div c$ ,  $c \neq 0$ .

**Notes:**  $\frac{q}{7} = \frac{35}{7}$   
 $q = 5$       Check  
 $7(5) \stackrel{?}{=} 35$   
 $35 = 35 \checkmark$

## 1.1 Notetaking with Vocabulary (continued)

### Four Step Approach to Problem Solving

- 1. Understand the Problem** What is the unknown? What information is being given? What is being asked?
- 2. Make a Plan** This plan might involve one or more of the problem-solving strategies shown on the following page.
- 3. Solve the Problem** Carry out your plan. Check that each step is correct.
- 4. Look Back** Examine your solution. Check that your solution makes sense in the original statement of the problem.

### Common Problem-Solving Strategies

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|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Use a verbal model. | Guess, check, and revise.      |
| Draw a diagram.     | Sketch a graph or number line. |
| Write an equation.  | Make a table.                  |
| Look for a pattern. | Make a list.                   |
| Work backward.      | Break the problem into parts.  |

After a party, you have  $\frac{2}{5}$  of the brownies you made left over. There are 16 brownies left.

How many brownies did you make for the party?

$\frac{2}{5} \cdot (\text{brownies made}) = \text{brownies left}$  ← verbal model

$\frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{5} \cdot b = \frac{8}{1} \cdot \frac{16}{2}$  ← equation I made 40 brownies.

$b = 40$

**Extra Practice: In Exercises 1–9, solve the equation. Justify each step. Check your solution for 1 and 5.**

1.  $x + 7 = -12$

2.  $-15 + w = 6$

3.  $-2 = y - 9$

4.  $4b = -52$

5.  $3 = \frac{q}{11}$