

5.3 Equations with Grouping

PRACTICE

Directions: Brust solved the following equations. He DEFINITELY made some mistakes! Using complete sentences explain his mistake and then find the correct solution.

1)

He should have multiplied by 3 and not 2.

$$\frac{2}{3}(g+8) = 6$$

$$\frac{2}{3}(g+8) = 6(2)$$

$$\frac{3(g+8)}{3} = \frac{12}{3}$$

$$g+8 = 4$$

$$-8 = -8$$

$$g = -4$$

Handwritten work:

$$3 \left(\frac{2}{3}(g+8) \right) = 6(3)$$

$$\frac{2(g+8)}{2} = \frac{18}{2}$$

$$g+8 = 9$$

$$g = 1$$

2)

Changed the subtract 7 to adding 7.

$$\frac{f-7}{3} = -5$$

$$3 \left(\frac{f-7}{3} \right) = 3(-5)$$

$$f+7 = -15$$

$$-7 = -7$$

$$f = -22$$

Handwritten work:

$$f-7 = -15$$

$$+7 \quad +7$$

$$f = -8$$

Directions: Solve and check.

3) $10 = \frac{5}{3}x$ (3)

$$\frac{30}{5} = \frac{5x}{5}$$

$$6 = x$$

Check:

$$10 = \frac{5}{3}(6)$$

$$10 = 10 \checkmark$$

4) $\frac{1}{4}x - 10 = -7$

$$+10 \quad +10$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{4} \times 4\right) x = 3(4)$$

$$x = 12$$

Check:

$$\frac{1}{4}(12) - 10 = -7$$

$$3 - 10 = -7$$

$$-7 = -7 \checkmark$$

5) $\frac{k-4}{2} = -7$ (2)

$$k-4 = -14$$

$$+4 \quad +4$$

$$k = -10$$

Check:

$$\frac{-10-4}{2} = -7$$

$$\frac{-14}{2} = -7$$

$$-7 = -7 \checkmark$$

6) $-3(n+10) = -9$

$$\frac{-3}{-3} \quad \frac{-9}{-3}$$

$$n+10 = 3$$

$$-10 \quad -10$$

$$n = -7$$

Check:

$$-3(-7+10) = -9$$

$$-3(3) = -9$$

$$-9 = -9 \checkmark$$

7) $\frac{3}{4}x - 20 = -11$

$$+20 \quad +20$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{4} \times 4\right) x = 9(4)$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{36}{3}$$

$$x = 12$$

Check:

$$\frac{3}{4}(12) - 20 = -11$$

$$9 - 20 = -11$$

$$-11 = -11 \checkmark$$

8) $-16 = 4(p-2)$

$$\frac{-16}{4} \quad \frac{4(p-2)}{4}$$

$$-4 = p-2$$

$$+2 \quad +2$$

$$-2 = p$$

Check:

$$-16 = 4(-2-2)$$

$$-16 = 4(-4)$$

$$-16 = -16 \checkmark$$

$$9) 10 - \frac{2}{9}x = 6$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -10 \\ -9\left(-\frac{2}{9}x\right) = -4(-9) \\ \hline 2x = \frac{36}{2} \\ \hline \boxed{x = 18} \end{array}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 10 - \frac{2}{9}(18) = 6 \\ 10 - 4 = 6 \\ 6 = 6 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$10) 9 = \frac{14+f}{3} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 27 = 14 + f \\ -14 \quad -14 \\ \hline \boxed{13 = f} \end{array}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 9 = \frac{14+13}{3} \\ 9 = \frac{27}{3} \\ 9 = 9 \checkmark \end{array} \right\}$$

$$11) \frac{p-6}{5} = -3 \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} p-6 = -15 \\ +6 \quad +6 \\ \hline \boxed{p = -9} \end{array}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{-9-6}{5} = -3 \\ \frac{-15}{5} = -3 \\ -3 = -3 \checkmark \end{array} \right\}$$

Directions: Sully solved the following. Check his solution to see if it is correct. If incorrect, find the correct solution.

13) Sully says $n = 3$

$$8 = \frac{2}{3}n + 6$$

$$8 = \frac{2}{3}(3) + 6$$

$$8 = 2 + 6$$

$$8 = 8 \checkmark$$

He is right!

14) Sully says $n = 25$.

$$\frac{5-n}{2} = 10$$

$$\frac{5-25}{2} = 10$$

$$\frac{-20}{2} = 10$$

$$-10 \neq 10 \text{ NO}$$

$$(2) \frac{5-n}{2} = 10 \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5-n = 20 \\ -5 \quad -5 \\ \hline -n = 15 \\ \hline \boxed{n = -15} \end{array}$$