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$$\begin{array}{r} 3w + 26 = 19 \\ -26 \quad -26 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{3w}{3} = \frac{-7}{3}$$

$$w = -\frac{7}{3} \text{ or } -2\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{1}{3}n + 16 = -4 \\ -16 \quad -16 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{3}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{3}n = \frac{-20}{1} \cdot \frac{3}{1}$$

$$n = -60$$

# Solving Equations with Variables on Each Side

## Steps:

- 1) Decide which side you want to have contain the variables.
- 2) Move the variable terms to that side by addition/subtraction.
  - note: cannot combine like terms across the equals sign.
- 3) Move the non-variable terms to the other side.
- 4) Using steps 2 and 3 solve the equation by isolating the variable.
  - handle parentheses first
  - addition/subtraction second
  - multiplication/division third

## Consider

- integer rules
- leave, change, opposite

Solve.

$$1) \ 5x + 12 = 2x$$

Variable on left.

$$5x + 12 = 2x$$

Variable on right.

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$$1) \ 5x + 12 = 2x$$

Variable on left.

$$5x + 12 = 2x$$

$$-2x \quad -2x$$

$$3x + 12 = 0$$

$$-12 \quad -12$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{-12}{3}$$

$$x = -4$$

Variable on right.

$$5x + 12 = 2x$$

$$-5x \quad -5x$$

$$\frac{12}{-3} = \frac{-3x}{-3}$$

$$-4 = x$$

Solve.      2)  $1.4n - 6 = 2.9n + 9$

Variable on left.

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Solve.      2)  $1.4n - 6 = 2.9n + 9$

Variable on left.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 1.4n - 6 & = & 2.9n + 9 \\ -2.9n & & -2.9n \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -1.5n - 6 & = & 9 \\ & +6 & +6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -1.5n & = & 15 \\ \hline -1.5 & & -1.5 \end{array}$$

$$n = -10$$

Variable on right.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 1.4n - 6 & = & 2.9n + 9 \\ -1.4n & & -1.4n \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -6 & = & 1.5n + 9 \\ -9 & & -9 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -15 & = & 1.5n \\ \hline 1.5 & & 1.5 \end{array}$$

$$-10 = n$$

Solve.      3)  $-3.8n + 4 = 4.4n - 37$

Variable on left.

$$-3.8n + 4 = 4.4n - 37$$

Variable on right.

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Solve.      3)  $-3.8n + 4 = 4.4n - 37$

Variable on left.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -3.8n + 4 & = & 4.4n - 37 \\ -4.4n & & -4.4n \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -8.2n + 4 & = & -37 \\ -4 & & -4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -8.2n & = & -41 \\ \hline -8.2 & & -8.2 \end{array}$$

$$n = 5$$

Variable on right.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -3.8n + 4 & = & 4.4n - 37 \\ +3.8n & & +3.8n \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 4 & = & 8.2n - 37 \\ +37 & & +37 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 41 & = & 8.2n \\ \hline 8.2 & & 8.2 \end{array}$$

$$5 = n$$

Solve. 4)  $-\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{5}{6}x + 2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}x$

Variable on left.

Solve. 4)  $-\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{5}{6}x + 2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}x$

Variable on left.

$$-\frac{2}{6}x + \frac{5}{6}x + 2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{3}{6}x + 2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}x \\ -\frac{1}{6}x \quad -\frac{1}{6}x \end{array}$$

$$\frac{2}{6}x + 2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2 \quad -2 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{2}{6}x = -2\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{6}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{6}x = -\frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{6}{2}$$

$$x = -\frac{30}{4} = -\frac{15}{2}$$