

Linear Equations

Ex 8A

Definition of a Linear Equation

- A linear equation in one variable x is an equation that can be written in the form
- $ax + b = 0$
- where a and b are real numbers and $a \neq 0$.

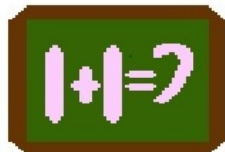
Equation is a mathematical sentence indicating that two expressions are equal. The symbol "=" is used to indicate equality.

Ex.

$2x + 5 = 9$ is a conditional equation

since its truth or falsity depends on the value of x

$2 + 9 = 11$ is identity equation since both of its sides are identical to the same number 11.



Solution Set of a Linear Equation

Example

$$4x + 2 = 10$$

this statement is either true or false

If $x = 1$, then $4x + 2 = 10$

is false because $4(1) + 2$ is $\neq 10$

If $x = 2$, then $4x + 2 = 10$

is true because $4(2) + 2 = 10$

ONE STEP SUBTRACTION EXAMPLE

The Opposite of Subtraction is Addition

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x - 120 & = & 80 \\ +120 & & +120 \\ \hline x & = & 200 \checkmark \end{array}$$

The value which makes the equation true is 200.

$x - 4 = 7$	Original problem
$x - 4 = 7$	We want to remove the minus 4.
$x - 4 + 4 = 7 + 4$	The opposite of minus 4 is plus 4, so I added 4 to BOTH sides of the equation.
$x = 11$	$-4 + 4 = 0$, so x remains on the left and $7 + 4 = 11$; therefore $x = 11$
Check: $x - 4 = 7$ $11 - 4 = 7$	This is a correct statement, so my answer is $x = 11$ is correct!

Solving simple two-step equations

To solve an equation, find the value that makes the equation true.

Solve $2x + 3 = 13$

This means: $x \xrightarrow{\times 2} \xrightarrow{+ 3} = 13$

To solve, we reverse the process:

$$\begin{array}{l} x \xrightarrow{\times 2} \xrightarrow{+ 3} 13 \\ x \xrightarrow{\div 2} \xrightarrow{- 3} 13 \end{array}$$

Use the opposite (inverse) operation and undo in reverse order.

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x + 3 = 13 \\ 2x = 10 \\ x = 5 \end{array}$$

$- 3$
 $\div 2$

We have solved the equation when we get to a single value of x (here, $x = 5$).

Solve $4x + 6 = 14$

$$\begin{array}{l} 4x + 6 = 14 \\ 4x = 8 \\ x = 2 \end{array}$$

$- 6$
 $\div 4$

Solve $3x - 8 = 19$

$$\begin{array}{l} 3x - 8 = 19 \\ 3x = 27 \\ x = 9 \end{array}$$

$+ 8$
 $\div 3$

Q1

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned} 8x + 3 &= 27 + 2x \\ \Rightarrow 8x - 2x &= 27 - 3 \\ \Rightarrow 6x &= 24 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{24}{6} = 4 \\ \therefore x &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Q2

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 7 &= 2x - 8 \\ \Rightarrow 5x - 2x &= -8 - 7 \\ \Rightarrow 3x &= -15 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{-15}{3} = -5 \\ \therefore x &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

Q3.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned} 2z - 1 &= 14 - z \\ \Rightarrow 2z + z &= 14 + 1 \\ \Rightarrow 3z &= 15 \\ \Rightarrow z &= \frac{15}{3} = 5 \\ \therefore z &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

Q4.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned} 9x + 5 &= 4(x - 2) + 8 \\ \Rightarrow 9x + 5 &= 4x - 8 + 8 \\ \Rightarrow 9x + 5 &= 4x \\ \Rightarrow 9x - 4x &= -5 \\ \Rightarrow 5x &= -5 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{-5}{5} = -1 \\ \therefore x &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Q5.

Answer :

$$\frac{7y}{5} = y - 4$$

By cross multiplication :

$$\Rightarrow 7y = 5(y - 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 7y = 5y - 20$$

$$\Rightarrow 7y - 5y = -20$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = -20$$

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

$$\therefore y = -10$$

Q6.

Answer :

$$3x + \frac{2}{3} = 2x + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 2x = 1 - \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{1} - \frac{2}{3} \quad \left(\text{L. C. M. of 1 and 3 is 3} \right) \Rightarrow x =$$

$$\frac{3-2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{3}$$

Q7.

Answer :

$$15(y - 4) - 2(y - 9) + 5(y + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 15y - 60 - 2y + 18 + 5y + 30 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 15y - 2y + 5y - 60 + 18 + 30 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 18y - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 18y = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{12}{18} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{2}{3}$$

Q8.

Answer :

$$3(5x - 7) - 2(9x - 11) = 4(8x - 13) - 17$$

$$\Rightarrow 15x - 21 - 18x + 22 = 32x - 52 - 17$$

$$\Rightarrow 15x - 18x - 21 + 22 = 32x - 69$$

$$\Rightarrow -3x + 1 = 32x - 69$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 69 = 32x + 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow 70 = 35x$$

$$\Rightarrow 35x = 70 \quad \left(\text{by transposition} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{70}{35} = 2$$

$$\therefore x = 2$$

Q9.

Answer :

$$\frac{x-5}{2} - \frac{x-3}{5} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10 \left(\frac{x-5}{2} \right) - 10 \left(\frac{x-3}{5} \right) = 10 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \quad \left(\text{multiplying throughout by 10, which is} \right.$$

$$\left. \text{the L. C. M. of 2, 2 and 5} \right) \Rightarrow 5(x - 5) - 2(x - 3) = 5 \Rightarrow 5x - 25 - 2x + 6 = 5 \Rightarrow 5x - 2x - 25 + 6 = 5 \Rightarrow 3x - 19 = 5 \Rightarrow 3x = 5 + 19 \Rightarrow 3x = 24 \Rightarrow x$$

$$= \frac{24}{3} = 8 \therefore x = 8$$

Q10.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3t-2}{4} - \frac{2t+3}{3} &= \frac{2}{3} - t \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3t-2}{4} - \frac{2t+3}{3} &= \frac{2-3t}{3} \quad \left(3 \text{ is the L.C.M. of } 1 \text{ and } 3 \right) \\ \Rightarrow 12 \left(\frac{3t-2}{4} \right) - 12 \left(\frac{2t+3}{3} \right) &= 12 \left(\frac{2-3t}{3} \right) \quad \left(\text{multiplying throughout by } 12, \text{ which} \right. \\ &\left. \text{is the L.C.M. of } 4, 3 \text{ and } 3 \right) \\ \Rightarrow 3(3t-2) - 4(2t+3) &= 4(2-3t) \\ \Rightarrow 9t-6-8t-12 &= 8-12t \\ \Rightarrow 9t-8t-6-12 &= 8-12t \\ \Rightarrow t-18 &= 8-12t \\ \Rightarrow t+12t &= 18+8 \\ \Rightarrow 13t &= 26 \\ \Rightarrow t &= \frac{26}{13} = 2 \\ \therefore t &= 2\end{aligned}$$

Q11.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2x+7}{5} - \frac{3x+11}{2} &= \frac{2x+8}{3} - 5 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2x+7}{5} - \frac{3x+11}{2} &= \frac{2x+8-15}{3} \quad \left(\text{L.C.M. of } 3 \text{ and } 1 \text{ is } 3 \right) \\ \Rightarrow 30 \left(\frac{2x+7}{5} \right) - 30 \left(\frac{3x+11}{2} \right) &= 30 \left(\frac{2x+8-15}{3} \right) \\ \left(\text{multiplying throughout by } 30, \text{ which is the L.C.M. of } 5, 2 \text{ and } 3 \right) \\ \Rightarrow 6(2x+7) - 15(3x+11) &= 10(2x+8-15) \Rightarrow 12x+42-45x-165 \\ = 20x-70 \Rightarrow 12x-45x+42-165 &= 20x-70 \Rightarrow -33x-123=20x-70 \Rightarrow \\ -33x-20x &= 123-70 \Rightarrow -53x=53 \Rightarrow x=\frac{53}{-53} \Rightarrow x=-1 \therefore x=-1\end{aligned}$$

Q12.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{5x-4}{6} &= 4x+1 - \frac{3x+10}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{5x-4}{6} &= \frac{2(4x+1)-3x-10}{2} \quad \left(\text{L.C.M. of } 1 \text{ and } 2 \text{ is } 2 \right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{5x-4}{6} &= \frac{8x+2-3x-10}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{5x-4}{6} &= \frac{5x-8}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2(5x-4) &= 6(5x-8) \\ \Rightarrow 10x-8 &= 30x-48 \\ \Rightarrow 10x-30x &= -48+8 \\ \Rightarrow -20x &= -40 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{-40}{-20} = 2 \\ \therefore x &= 2\end{aligned}$$

Q13.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}5x - \frac{1}{3}(x + 1) &= 6\left(x + \frac{1}{30}\right) \\ \Rightarrow 5x - \frac{1(x+1)}{3} &= 6\left(\frac{30x+1}{30}\right) \quad \left(\text{L.C.M. of 1 and 30 is 30}\right) \\ \Rightarrow 5x - \frac{(x+1)}{3} &= \frac{30x+1}{5} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{15x-x-1}{3} &= \frac{30x+1}{5} \quad \left(\text{L.C.M. of 1 and 3 is 3}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{14x-1}{3} &= \frac{30x+1}{5} \\ \Rightarrow 5(14x-1) &= 3(30x+1) \quad \left(\text{by cross multiplication}\right) \\ \Rightarrow 70x-5 &= 90x+3 \\ \Rightarrow 70x-90x &= 3+5 \\ \Rightarrow -20x &= 8 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{8}{-20} = \frac{-2}{5} \\ \therefore x &= -\frac{2}{5}\end{aligned}$$

Q14.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}4 - \frac{2(z-4)}{3} &= \frac{1}{2}(2z+5) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{12-2(z-4)}{3} &= \frac{1(2z+5)}{2} \quad \left(\text{L.C.M. of 1 and 3 is 3}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{12-2z+8}{3} &= \frac{2z+5}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{20-2z}{3} &= \frac{2z+5}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2(20-2z) &= 3(2z+5) \quad \left(\text{by cross multiplication}\right) \\ \Rightarrow 40-4z &= 6z+15 \\ \Rightarrow 40-15 &= 6z+4z \\ \Rightarrow 25 &= 10z \\ \Rightarrow 10z &= 25 \quad \left(\text{by transposition}\right) \\ \Rightarrow z &= \frac{25}{10} = \frac{5}{2} \\ \therefore z &= \frac{5}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Q15.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3(y-5)}{4} - 4y &= 3 - \frac{(y-3)}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3y-15}{4} - 4y &= 3 - \frac{y-3}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3y-15-16y}{4} &= 3 - \frac{y-3}{2} \quad \left(\text{L.C.M. of 4 and 1 is 4}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{-13y-15}{4} &= \frac{6-y+3}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{-13y-15}{4} &= \frac{9-y}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2(-13y-15) &= 4(9-y) \\ \Rightarrow -26y-30 &= 36-4y \\ \Rightarrow -26y+4y &= 36+30 \\ \Rightarrow -22y &= 66 \\ \Rightarrow 22y &= -66 \quad \left(\text{multiplying both the sides with a -ve sign}\right) \\ \Rightarrow y &= -\frac{66}{22} = -3 \\ \therefore y &= -3\end{aligned}$$

Q16.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{8x-3}{3x} &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow 8x - 3 &= 2(3x) \quad (\text{by cross multiplication}) \\ \Rightarrow 8x - 3 &= 6x \\ \Rightarrow 8x - 6x &= 3 \\ \Rightarrow 2x &= 3 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{3}{2} \\ \therefore x &= \frac{3}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Q17.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{9x}{7-6x} &= 15 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{9x}{7-6x} &= \frac{15}{1} \\ \Rightarrow 1(9x) &= 15(7-6x) \quad (\text{by cross multiplication}) \\ \Rightarrow 9x &= 105 - 90x \\ \Rightarrow 9x + 90x &= 105 \\ \Rightarrow 99x &= 105 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{105}{99} = \frac{35}{33} \\ \therefore x &= \frac{35}{33}\end{aligned}$$

Q18.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3x}{5x+2} &= -4 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3x}{5x+2} &= \frac{-4}{1} \\ \Rightarrow 1(3x) &= -4(5x+2) \quad (\text{by cross multiplication}) \\ \Rightarrow 3x &= -20x - 8 \\ \Rightarrow 3x + 20x &= -8 \\ \Rightarrow 23x &= -8 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{-8}{23} \\ \therefore x &= \frac{-8}{23}\end{aligned}$$

Q20.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2-9z}{17-4z} &= \frac{4}{5} \\ \Rightarrow 5(2-9z) &= 4(17-4z) \quad (\text{by cross multiplication}) \\ \Rightarrow 10 - 45z &= 68 - 16z \\ \Rightarrow 10 - 68 &= 45z - 16z \\ \Rightarrow -58 &= 29z \\ \Rightarrow 29z &= -58 \quad (\text{by transposition}) \\ \Rightarrow z &= \frac{-58}{29} = -2 \\ \therefore z &= -2\end{aligned}$$

Q21.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{4x+7}{9-3x} &= \frac{1}{4} \\ \Rightarrow 4(4x+7) &= 1(9-3x) \quad (\text{by cross multiplication}) \\ \Rightarrow 16x + 28 &= 9 - 3x \\ \Rightarrow 16x + 3x &= 9 - 28 \\ \Rightarrow 19x &= -19 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{-19}{19} = -1 \\ \therefore x &= -1\end{aligned}$$

Q22.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{7y+4}{y+2} &= \frac{-4}{3} \\ \Rightarrow 3(7y+4) &= -4(y+2) && \text{(by cross multiplication)} \\ \Rightarrow 21y+12 &= -4y-8 \\ \Rightarrow 21y+4y &= -8-12 \\ \Rightarrow 25y &= -20 \\ \Rightarrow y &= \frac{-20}{25} = \frac{-4}{5} \\ \therefore y &= \frac{-4}{5}\end{aligned}$$

Q23.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{15(2-y)-5(y+6)}{1-3y} &= 10 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{30-15y-5y-30}{1-3y} &= 10 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{-20y}{1-3y} &= 10 \\ \Rightarrow 1(-20y) &= 10(1-3y) && \text{(by cross multiplication)} \\ \Rightarrow -20y &= 10-30y \\ \Rightarrow -20y+30y &= 10 \\ \Rightarrow 10y &= 10 \\ \Rightarrow y &= \frac{10}{10} = 1 \\ \therefore y &= 1\end{aligned}$$

Q24.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2x-(7-5x)}{9x-(3+4x)} &= \frac{7}{6} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2x-7+5x}{9x-3-4x} &= \frac{7}{6} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{7x-7}{5x-3} &= \frac{7}{6} \\ \Rightarrow 6(7x-7) &= 7(5x-3) && \text{(by cross multiplication)} \\ \Rightarrow 42x-42 &= 35x-21 \\ \Rightarrow 42x-35x &= 42-21 \\ \Rightarrow 7x &= 21 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{21}{7} = 3 \\ \therefore x &= 3\end{aligned}$$

Q25.

Answer :

$$\begin{aligned}m - \frac{(m-1)}{2} &= 1 - \frac{(m-2)}{3} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2m-m+1}{2} &= 1 - \frac{(m-2)}{3} && \text{(L.C.M. of 1 and 2 is 2)} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{m+1}{2} &= \frac{3-m+2}{3} && \text{(L.C.M. of 1 and 3 is 3)} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{m+1}{2} &= \frac{5-m}{3} \\ \Rightarrow 3(m+1) &= 2(5-m) && \text{(by cross multiplication)} \\ \Rightarrow 3m+3 &= 10-2m \\ \Rightarrow 3m+2m &= 10-3 \\ \Rightarrow 5m &= 7 \\ \Rightarrow m &= \frac{7}{5} \\ \therefore m &= \frac{7}{5}\end{aligned}$$

Q26.

Answer :

$$\frac{3x+5}{4x+2} = \frac{3x+4}{4x+7}$$

$$\Rightarrow (4x+7)(3x+5) = (4x+2)(3x+4) \quad (\text{by cross multiplication})$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x^2 + 20x + 21x + 35 = 12x^2 + 16x + 6x + 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x^2 + 41x + 35 = 12x^2 + 22x + 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x^2 - 12x^2 + 41x - 22x = 8 - 35$$

$$\Rightarrow 19x = -27$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-27}{19}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-27}{19}$$

Q27.

Answer :

$$\frac{9x-7}{3x+5} = \frac{3x-4}{x+6}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+6)(9x-7) = (3x+5)(3x-4)$$

(by cross multiplication)

$$\Rightarrow 9x^2 - 7x + 54x - 42 = 9x^2 - 12x + 15x - 20$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x^2 + 47x - 42 = 9x^2 + 3x - 20$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x^2 - 9x^2 + 47x - 3x = -20 + 42$$

$$\Rightarrow 44x = 22$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{22}{44} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Q28.

Answer :

$$\frac{2-7x}{1-5x} = \frac{3+7x}{4+5x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (4+5x)(2-7x) = (1-5x)(3+7x) \quad (\text{by cross multiplication})$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 - 28x + 10x - 35x^2 = 3 + 7x - 15x - 35x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow -35x^2 - 18x + 8 = -35x^2 - 8x + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow -35x^2 + 35x^2 - 18x + 8x = -8 + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow -10x = -5$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-5}{-10} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{2}$$