

Practice 5 - Evaluating Expressions

Objective: To evaluate an algebraic expression.

Example:

Evaluate the expression $c + b - 23$ if $c = 25$ and $b = 16$

Solution:

$$25 + 16 - 23$$

$$= 41 - 23$$

$$= 18$$

Substitute the given values for the variables.

Simplify by adding 25 and 16.

Subtract 23 from 41.

Evaluate each expression if $x = 2$ and $y = -3$. Show ALL work.

1. $2x - y$

2. $3y - (2 - x)$

3. $(7 + x)(y - 1)$

Evaluate each expression if $r = 6$ and $t = 8$. Show ALL work.

4. $(r - 4) + 2t$

5. $[10 - (r \div 3)] + 2t$

6. $[3 \cdot (t + 1)] - r$

Practice 6 – Combining Like Terms

Objective: To simplify an algebraic expression by combining like terms.

Example:

Simplify the expression $10x + 7 - 9 - x$

Solution: $10x - x + 7 - 9$
 $9x - 2$

Rewrite the expression so that the like terms are together.

Combine like terms ($10x$ and $-x$ and 7 and -9)

Simplify each expression. Show ALL work.

1. $10x + 7 + 3x$

2. $14 + 9x - 6$

3. $3y - 9y + 12$

4. $-11n + 2 + 5 + 3n$

5. $-3x - 8y + 7x$

6. $-18g + 7h - 4g - 9h$

7. $3t - t$

8. $3x^2 + 5x^2$

9. $7q + 8pq - 4pq - 9q$

Write an equation to model the situation. Then solve.

10. Tyler can do x number of pull-ups. Ryan can do 5 more pull-ups than Tyler. They can do 85 pull-ups in all. How many pull-ups can Ryan?