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#### ID: 097e10f5

What value of p satisfies the equation 5p + 180 = 250?

- A. **14**
- В. **65**
- C. 86
- D. **250**

#### **ID: 097e10f5 Answer**

Correct Answer: A

Rationale

Choice A is correct. Subtracting 180 from both sides of the given equation yields 5p = 70. Dividing both sides of this equation by 5 yields p = 14. Therefore, the value of p that satisfies the equation 5p + 180 = 250 is 14.

Choice B is incorrect. This value of p satisfies the equation 5p + 180 = 505.

Choice C is incorrect. This value of p satisfies the equation 5p + 180 = 610.

Choice D is incorrect. This value of p satisfies the equation 5p + 180 = 1,430.

## **Question ID 997bec28**

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ID: 997bec28

The perimeter of an isosceles triangle is **83** inches. Each of the two congruent sides of the triangle has a length of **24** inches. What is the length, in inches, of the third side?

#### ID: 997bec28 Answer

Correct Answer: 35

Rationale

The correct answer is 35. It's given that the perimeter of an isosceles triangle is 83 inches and that each of the two congruent sides has a length of 24 inches. The perimeter of a triangle is the sum of the lengths of its three sides. The equation 24 + 24 + x = 83 can be used to represent this situation, where x is the length, in inches, of the third side. Combining like terms on the left-hand side of this equation yields 48 + x = 83. Subtracting 48 from both sides of this equation yields x = 35. Therefore, the length, in inches, of the third side is 35.

# Question ID 6ac23de7

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |
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#### ID: 6ac23de7

$$\frac{4x}{5} = 20$$

In the equation above, what is the value of x?

- A. 25
- B. 24
- C. 16
- D. 15

#### ID: 6ac23de7 Answer

Correct Answer: A

Rationale

Choice A is correct. Multiplying both sides of the equation by 5 results in 4x = 100. Dividing both sides of the resulting equation by 4 results in x = 25.

Choice B is incorrect and may result from adding 20 and 4. Choice C is incorrect and may result from dividing 20 by 5 and then multiplying the result by 4. Choice D is incorrect and may result from subtracting 5 from 20.

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#### ID: 7392dfc1

Which of the following is equivalent to 4x + 6 = 12?

- A. 2x + 4 = 6
- B. x + 3 = 3
- C. 3x + 2 = 4
- D. 2x + 3 = 6

### ID: 7392dfc1 Answer

Correct Answer: D

Rationale

Choice D is correct. Dividing each side of the original equation by 2 yields  $\frac{4x+6}{2} = \frac{12}{2}$ , which simplifies to 2x+3=6.

Choice A is incorrect. Dividing each side of the original equation by 2 gives 2x + 3 = 6, which is not equivalent to 2x + 4 = 6. Choice B is incorrect. Dividing each side of the original equation by 4 gives  $x + \frac{3}{2} = 3$ , which is not equivalent to x + 3 = 3. Choice C is incorrect. Dividing each side of the original equation by 3 gives  $\frac{4}{3}x + 2 = 4$ , which is not equivalent to 3x + 2 = 4.

## Question ID 93954cfa

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

#### ID: 93954cfa

One pound of grapes costs \$2. At this rate, how many dollars will c pounds of grapes cost?

- A. 2c
- B.2 + c
- 2 C. *c*
- D.  $\frac{c}{2}$

#### ID: 93954cfa Answer

Correct Answer: A

#### Rationale

Choice A is correct. If one pound of grapes costs \$2, two pounds of grapes will cost 2 times \$2, three pounds of grapes will cost 3 times \$2, and so on. Therefore, c pounds of grapes will cost c times \$2, which is 2c dollars.

Choice B is incorrect and may result from incorrectly adding instead of multiplying. Choice C is incorrect and may result from assuming that c pounds cost \$2, and then finding the cost per pound. Choice D is incorrect and could result from incorrectly assuming that 2 pounds cost \$c, and then finding the cost per pound.

# Question ID 3d04de9c

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |  |
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#### ID: 3d04de9c

A principal used a total of 25 flags that were either blue or yellow for field day. The principal used 20 blue flags. How many yellow flags were used?

- A. **5**
- B. **20**
- C. 25
- D. 30

#### ID: 3d04de9c Answer

Correct Answer: A

Rationale

Choice A is correct. It's given that a principal used a total of 25 blue flags and yellow flags. It's also given that of the 25 flags used, 20 flags were blue. Subtracting the number of blue flags used from the total number of flags used results in the number of yellow flags used. It follows that the number of yellow flags used is 25-20, or 5.

Choice B is incorrect. This is the number of blue flags used.

Choice C is incorrect. This is the total number of flags used.

Choice D is incorrect and may result from conceptual or calculation errors.

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### ID: 60f71697

$$8x = 88$$

What value of  $\boldsymbol{x}$  is the solution to the given equation?

- A. **11**
- B. **80**
- C. **96**
- D. **704**

#### ID: 60f71697 Answer

Correct Answer: A

Rationale

Choice A is correct. Dividing both sides of the given equation by 8 yields x = 11. Therefore, 11 is the solution to the given equation.

Choice B is incorrect. This is the solution to the equation x + 8 = 88.

Choice C is incorrect. This is the solution to the equation x - 8 = 88.

Choice D is incorrect. This is the solution to the equation  $\frac{x}{8} = 88$ .

## Question ID 550b352c

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

#### ID: 550b352c

10 = 2x + 4

How many solutions exist to the equation shown above?

- A. None
- B. Exactly 1
- C. Exactly 3
- D. Infinitely many

#### ID: 550b352c Answer

Correct Answer: B

Rationale

Choice B is correct. Subtracting 4 from each side of the given equation yields 6 = 2x, or x = 3, so the equation has a unique solution of x = 3.

Choice A is incorrect. Since 3 is a value of x that satisfies the given equation, the equation has at least 1 solution. Choice C is incorrect. Linear equations can have 0, 1, or infinitely many solutions; no linear equation has exactly 3 solutions. Choice D is incorrect. If a linear equation has infinitely many solutions, it can be reduced to 0 = 0. This equation reduces to x = 3, so there is only 1 solution.

# Question ID ed18c4f7

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |  |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |  |

#### ID: ed18c4f7

Cathy has n CDs. Gerry has 3 more than twice the number of CDs that Cathy has. In terms of n, how many CDs does Gerry have?

- A. 3n 2
- B. 3n + 2
- C.2n-3
- D. 2n + 3

### ID: ed18c4f7 Answer

Correct Answer: D

Rationale

Choice D is correct. The term 2n represents twice the number of CDs that Cathy has, and adding 3 represents 3 more than that amount.

Choices A and B are incorrect. The expression 3n represents three times the number of CDs that Cathy has. Choice C is incorrect. Subtracting 3 represents 3 fewer than twice the number of CDs that Cathy has.

## **Question ID 12255364**

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |  |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |  |

#### ID: 12255364

A gym charges its members a onetime \$36 enrollment fee and a membership fee of \$19 per month. If there are no charges other than the enrollment fee and the membership fee, after how many months will a member have been charged a total of \$188 at the gym?

- A. **4**
- B. **5**
- C. 8
- D. **10**

#### ID: 12255364 Answer

Correct Answer: C

Rationale

Choice C is correct. It's given that a gym charges its members a onetime \$36 enrollment fee and a membership fee of \$19 per month. Let x represent the number of months at the gym after which a member will have been charged a total of \$188. If there are no charges other than the enrollment fee and the membership fee, the equation 36 + 19x = 188 can be used to represent this situation. Subtracting 36 from both sides of this equation yields 19x = 152. Dividing both sides of this equation by 19 yields x = 8. Therefore, a member will have been charged a total of \$188 after 8 months at the gym.

Choice A is incorrect. A member will have been charged a total of  $(36 + 19 \times 4)$ , or 112, after 4 months at the gym.

Choice B is incorrect. A member will have been charged a total of  $(36 + 19 \times 5)$ , or 131, after 5 months at the gym.

Choice D is incorrect. A member will have been charged a total of  $(36 + 19 \times 10)$ , or 226, after 10 months at the gym.

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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

#### ID: d9d83c02

For what value of w does w-10=2(w+5)?

- A. **5**
- B. **0**
- C. -15
- D. -20

#### ID: d9d83c02 Answer

Correct Answer: D

Rationale

Choice D is correct. To solve the equation, use the distributive property to multiply on the right-hand side of the equation which gives w - 10 = 2w + 10. Subtract w from both sides of the equation, which gives -10 = w + 10. Finally, subtract 10 from both sides of the equation, which gives -20 = w.

Choices A and B are incorrect and may result from making sign errors. Choice C is incorrect and may result from incompletely distributing the 2 in the expression 2(w + 5).

## Question ID 7a987ae4

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

#### ID: 7a987ae4

$$\frac{2n}{5} = 10, \text{ what is the}$$

value of 2n-1?

- A. 24
- B. 49
- C. 50
- D. 99

#### ID: 7a987ae4 Answer

Correct Answer: B

Rationale

Choice B is correct. Multiplying both sides of the given equation by 5 yields 2n = 50. Substituting 50 for 2n in the expression 2n - 1 yields 50 - 1 = 49.

Alternate approach: Dividing both sides of 2n = 50 by 2 yields n = 25. Evaluating the expression 2n - 1 for n = 25 yields 2(25) - 1 = 49.

Choice A is incorrect and may result from finding the value of n-1 instead of 2n-1. Choice C is incorrect and may result from finding the value of 2n instead of 2n-1. Choice D is incorrect and may result from finding the value of 4n-1 instead of 2n-1.

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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

#### ID: 9ff10b3b

If 
$$\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{6}x = 1$$
, what is

the value of x?

- A. -4
- . <u>1</u> в. 3
- C. 3
- D. 6

#### ID: 9ff10b3b Answer

Correct Answer: C

Rationale

Choice C is correct. To make it easier to add like terms on the left-hand side of the given equation, both sides of the equation can be multiplied by 6, which is the lowest common denominator of  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{6}$ . This yields 3x - x = 6, which can be rewritten as 2x = 6. Dividing both sides of this equation by 2 yields x = 3.

Choice A is incorrect and may result from subtracting the denominators instead of numerators with common denominators to get  $-\frac{1}{4}x$ , rather than  $\frac{1}{3}x$ , on the left-hand side of the equation. Choice B is incorrect and may result from rewriting the given equation as  $\frac{1}{2}x = \frac{1}{6}$  instead of 2x = 6. Choice D is incorrect and may result from conceptual or computational errors.

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ID: 4e77195b

If 2 + x = 60, what is the value of 16 + 8x?

ID: 4e77195b Answer

Correct Answer: 480

Rationale

The correct answer is 480. Multiplying both sides of the given equation by 8 yields 8(2 + x) = 8(60), or 16 + 8x = 480. Therefore, if 2 + x = 60, the value of 16 + 8x is 480.

# Question ID 4f7981a0

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

### ID: 4f7981a0

If 3x + 2 = 8, what is the value of 9x + 6?

### **ID: 4f7981a0 Answer**

#### Rationale

The correct answer is 24. Multiplying both sides of the given equation by 3 yields 3(3x+2) = 24. Using the distributive property to rewrite the left-hand side of this equation yields 9x+6=24.

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#### ID: 46f68129

A librarian has 43 books to distribute to a group of children. If he gives each child 2 books, he will have 7 books left over. How many children are in the group?

- A. 15
- B. 18
- C. 25
- D. 29

#### ID: 46f68129 Answer

Rationale

Choice B is correct. Subtracting the number of books left over from the total number of books results in 43-7=36, which is the number of books distributed. Dividing the number of books distributed by the number of books given to each child results in  $\frac{36}{2}=18$ .

Choice A is incorrect and results from dividing the total number of books by the number of books given to each child,  $\frac{43}{2} \approx 22$ , then subtracting the number of books left over from the result, 22-7=15. Choice C is incorrect and results from adding the number of books left over to the total number of books, 43+7=50, then dividing the result by the number of books given to each child,  $\frac{50}{2}=25$ . Choice D is incorrect and results from dividing the total number of books by the number of books given to each child,  $\frac{43}{2}\approx 22$ , then adding the number of books left over, 22+7=29.

# Question ID e53870b6

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

#### ID: e53870b6

$$6x + k = 6x + 5$$

In the given equation, k is a constant. If the equation has infinitely many solutions, what is the value of k?

#### **ID: e53870b6 Answer**

#### Rationale

The correct answer is 5. Subtracting 6x from both sides of the given equation gives k = 5, so for any value of x, 6x + k = 6x + 5 if and only if k = 5. Therefore, if the given equation has infinitely many solutions, the value of k = 5.

# Question ID 70774aa4

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

#### ID: 70774aa4

If 5x = 20, what is the value of 15x?

A. 7

B. **12** 

C. 23

D. **60** 

#### **ID: 70774aa4 Answer**

Correct Answer: D

Rationale

Choice D is correct. It's given that 5x = 20. Multiplying both sides of this equation by 3 yields 15x = 60. Therefore, the value of 15x is 60.

Choice A is incorrect and may result from conceptual errors.

Choice B is incorrect and may result from conceptual errors.

Choice C is incorrect and may result from conceptual errors.

# Question ID a9c04a21

| Assessment | Test | Domain  | Skill                            | Difficulty |
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| SAT        | Math | Algebra | Linear equations in one variable |            |

### ID: a9c04a21

What is the solution to the equation 2x + 3 = 7?

- A. 1
- B. 1.5
- C. 2
- D. 4

#### ID: a9c04a21 Answer

Correct Answer: C

Rationale

Choice C is correct. Subtracting 3 from both sides of the given equation yields 2x = 4. Dividing both sides by 2 results in x = 2.

Choices A and B are incorrect and may result from computational errors. Choice D is incorrect. This is the value of 2x.