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SOLVING MULTI-STEP EQUATIONS W/THE DISTRIBUTIVE PROPERTY



Which situation does **NOT** represent the equation $\frac{n}{2} = 12$?

- a) Jim bought a box of cookies. He gave half of them to his brother. They each got 12 cookies. How many cookies were in the box Jim bought?
- b) Lucy evenly divided her money from pet-sitting into two bank accounts. She put \$12 in each account. How much did Lucy earn?
- c) Kristy cut a piece of material into 12 pieces. Each piece was 2 in. How long was the piece of material to start with?
- d) Laura had 2 more DVDs than her sister Emily. If Emily had 10 DVDs, how many DVDs did Laura have?

EXAMPLES: Solve each equation showing all steps.

1) $7(y + 3) = -28$ $y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

2) $0 = -2(4x - 5)$ $x = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

3) $\frac{-3}{a-2} = \frac{-0.3}{3}$ $a = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

4) $-(8 - 2n) = 28$ $n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

5) $\frac{1}{5}(13 - b) = \frac{18}{5}$

b = _____

6) $\frac{1}{2}(4p + 12) = 24$

p = _____

EXAMPLES: Write an equation for each situation and solve.

7) The length of a building is 2 times the sum of its width and 4. If the length of the building is 28 ft, find the width.

Equation: _____

8) An integer is 9 times the difference of twice a rational number and 3. If the integer is -35, what is the value of the rational number?

Equation: _____