MY Homework

Lesson 7

Write Equations

Homework Helper



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Use the numbers in the table to write an equation for each situation. Use *x* for the unknown.

Sammy's Pets	
Fish	12
Hamsters	4
Dogs	2
Birds	3

The difference between the number of fish and the number of birds is *x*.

$$12 - 3 = x$$

The total number of pets is *x*.

$$12 + 4 + 2 + 3 = x$$

Two times the number of hamsters minus *x* equals the number of dogs.

$$2 \times 4 - x = 2$$

The number of fish grouped equally into three aquariums is *x*.

$$12 \div 3 = x$$

Practice

Algebra Write an equation to represent each sentence.

- **1.** Five more than 7 shells is s.
- **2.** Four times as many as 4 pencils is *p*.

- **3.** Half as many as 18 squirrels is *x*.
- **4.** Eleven spoons minus *s* equals 9 spoons.

- **5.** 3 more than 14 eggs divided into 2 equal groups is *e.*
- **6.** 5 boxes of muffins with *m* number in each box equals 30.
- **7.** The total of 13 cherries, 8 more cherries, and 2 more cherries is *c*.
- **8.** 32 tennis balls shared equally by 4 players plus 3 more is *b*.



Problem Solving

Mathematical PRACTICE Use Algebra Write an equation using any letter for the unknown.

- **9.** Irving paid for his lunch with a \$10 bill and got \$6 back in change. How much did his lunch cost?
- **10.** Erin's beagle weighs 35 pounds. Her Great Dane weighs twice as much as the beagle plus 2 more pounds. How much does the Great Dane weigh?

Vocabulary Check



11. Explain the difference between an expression and an equation.

Test Practice

12. Venus bought 3 loaves of bread that have 20 slices each. Then she used 2 slices to make a sandwich. There are *b* slices left. Which equation represents the situation?

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$$3 \times 20 - 2 = b$$

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$$(3 \times 20) \div 2 = b$$

$$3 + 20 - 2 = b$$

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$$3 + 20 - b = 2$$