

7-5 Solve and Write Division Equations

Inverse Operations: operations that undo each other.

Addition and Subtraction

Multiplication and Division

Key Concept

Multiplication Property of Equality

Words

If you multiply each side of an equation by the same non-zero number, the two sides remain equal.

Examples

Numbers

$$\begin{aligned} 3 &= 3 \\ 3(6) &= 3(6) \\ 18 &= 18 \end{aligned}$$

Algebra

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{4} &= 7 \\ \frac{x}{4}(4) &= 7(4) \\ x &= 28 \end{aligned}$$

Use the Multiplication Property of Equality to solve for variable.

Examples:

$$\frac{h}{4} = 8$$

$$4 \cdot \frac{h}{4} = 8 \cdot 4$$

$$h = 32$$

$$3 \cdot 11 \Big| \frac{a}{8} \cdot \frac{8}{1}$$

$$33 = a$$

$$12 \cdot \frac{b}{12} = 10 \cdot 12$$

$$b = 120$$

$$14 \cdot 2.2 \Big| \frac{c}{14} \cdot 14$$

$$30.8 = c$$

Ali was paid \$75 for mowing a neighbor's yard. This is one fourth of the amount of money, she earned all summer. How much did Ali earn all summer?

$$\frac{m}{4} = 75$$

$$m = \$300$$

$$4 \cdot \frac{m}{4} = 75 \cdot 4$$

$$m = 300$$

The width of a swimming pool is one third of its length. The width of the pool is 15 feet. What is the length of the pool?

$$\frac{P}{3} = 15$$

$$P = 45 \text{ feet}$$

$$3 \cdot \frac{P}{3} = 15 \cdot 3$$
$$P = 45$$