

3.2 – “Solving Equations: PART DEUX!”

STEPS:

1) Move everything containing a variable to one side of the equation
everything containing just a number to the other side of the equation.

** DON'T FORGET to **CHANGE the SIGNS** of the terms you move

2) Simplify each side using algebra rules.

3) Solve the equation for your variable.

4) Check solutions.

To **CHECK** your solutions, use **LS/RS proof**

Ex.1) Solve algebraically.

a) $3x + 2 = 2x - 4$

$$3x - 2x = -4 - 2$$

$$x = -6$$

LS	RS
$3x + 2$	$2x - 4$
$3(-6) + 2$	$2(-6) - 4$
$-18 + 2$	$-12 - 4$
-16	-16

$LS = RS$
 $x = -6$

b) $7 - 2k = 8 - 5k$

$$-2k + 5k = 8 - 7$$

$$3k = 1$$

$$k = \frac{1}{3}$$

LS	RS
$7 - 2k$	$8 - 5k$
$7 - 2(\frac{1}{3})$	$8 - 5(\frac{1}{3})$
$\frac{21 - 2}{3}$	$\frac{24}{3} - \frac{5}{3}$
$\frac{19}{3}$	$\frac{19}{3}$

$LS = RS$
 $x = \frac{1}{3}$

c) $-13m + 5 - 2m = 4 + 8m + 24$

$$-13m - 2m - 8m = 4 + 24 - 5$$

$$-23m = 23$$

$$m = \frac{23}{-23}$$

$$m = -1$$

LS	RS
$-13m + 5 - 2m$	$4 + 8m + 24$
$13 + 5 + 2$	
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“Solving Equations with BRACKETS”

STEPS:

- 1) Multiply the brackets using the **distributive property**.
- 2) Move everything containing a variable to one side of the equation
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3) Simplify each side using algebra rules.

4) Solve the equation for your variable.

5) Check solutions.

To **CHECK** your solutions, use **LS/RS proof**

Ex. 2) Find the root of the equation and check.

a) $4(x - 3) = -32$

$$4x - 12 = -32$$

$$4x = -20$$

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

$$x = -5$$

b) $5(y - 3) - (y - 2) = 19$

$$5y - 15 - y + 2 = 19$$

$$4y - 13 = 19$$

$$4y = 19 + 13$$

$$4y = 32$$

$$y = 8$$

c) $2(x - 3) = -3(x + 5) - 6$

$$2x - 6 = -3x - 15 - 6$$

$$2x + 3x = -21 + 6$$

$$5x = -15$$

$$x = -3$$

LS	RS
$4(x - 3)$	-32
$4(-5 - 3)$	
$4(-8)$	
-32	$LS = RS$
	$x = -5$

LS	RS
$5(y - 3) - (y - 2)$	19
$5(8 - 3) - (8 - 2)$	
$5(5) - 6$	
$25 - 6$	
19	$LS = RS$
	$\therefore y = 8$

LS	RS
$2(x - 3)$	$-3(x + 5) - 6$
$2(-3 - 3)$	$-3(-3 + 5) - 6$
$2(-6)$	$-3(2) - 6$
-12	$-6 - 6$
	-12

$LS = RS$
 $x = -3$