

## Exercise 4.2

### Question 1:

Give first the step you will use to separate the variable and then solve the equations:

(a)  $x-1=0$

(b)  $x+1=0$

(c)  $x-1=5$

(d)  $x+6=2$

(e)  $y-4=-7$

(f)  $y-4=4$

(g)  $y+4=4$

(h)  $y+4=-4$

### Answer 1:

(a)  $x-1=0$

$\Rightarrow x-1+1=0+1$

[Adding 1 both sides]

$\Rightarrow x=1$

(b)  $x+1=0$

$\Rightarrow x+1-1=0-1$

[Subtracting 1 both sides]

$\Rightarrow x=-1$

(c)  $x-1=5$

$\Rightarrow x-1+1=5+1$

[Adding 1 both sides]

$\Rightarrow x=6$

(d)  $x+6=2$

$\Rightarrow x+6-6=2-6$

[Subtracting 6 both sides]

$\Rightarrow x=-4$

(e)  $y-4=-7$

$\Rightarrow y-4+4=-7+4$

[Adding 4 both sides]

$\Rightarrow y=-3$

(f)  $y-4=4$

$\Rightarrow y-4+4=4+4$

[Adding 4 both sides]

$\Rightarrow y=8$

(g)  $y+4=4$

$\Rightarrow y+4-4=4-4$

[Subtracting 4 both sides]

$\Rightarrow y=0$

(h)  $y+4=-4$

$\Rightarrow y+4-4=-4-4$

[Subtracting 4 both sides]

$\Rightarrow y=-8$

### Question 2:

Give first the step you will use to separate the variable and then solve the equations

(a)  $3l=42$

(b)  $\frac{b}{2}=6$

(c)  $\frac{p}{7}=4$

(d)  $4x=25$

(e)  $8y=36$

(f)  $\frac{z}{3}=\frac{5}{4}$

(g)  $\frac{a}{5}=\frac{7}{15}$

(h)  $20t=-10$

### Answer 2:

(a)  $3l=42$

$\Rightarrow \frac{3l}{3}=\frac{42}{3}$

[Dividing both sides by 3]

$\Rightarrow l=14$

$$(b) \frac{b}{2} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b}{2} \times 2 = 6 \times 2$$

[Multiplying both sides by 2]

$$\Rightarrow b = 12$$

$$(c) \frac{p}{7} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p}{7} \times 7 = 4 \times 7$$

[Multiplying both sides by 7]

$$\Rightarrow p = 28$$

$$(d) 4x = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4x}{4} = \frac{25}{4}$$

[Dividing both sides by 4]

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$(e) 8y = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8y}{8} = \frac{36}{8}$$

[Dividing both sides by 8]

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$(f) \frac{z}{3} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{z}{3} \times 3 = \frac{5}{4} \times 3$$

[Multiplying both sides by 3]

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{15}{4}$$

$$(g) \frac{a}{5} = \frac{7}{15}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{5} \times 5 = \frac{7}{15} \times 5$$

[Multiplying both sides by 5]

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{7}{3}$$

$$(h) 20t = -10$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{20t}{20} = \frac{-10}{20}$$

[Dividing both sides by 20]

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{-1}{2}$$

### Question 3:

Give first the step you will use to separate the variable and then solve the equations

$$(a) 3n - 2 = 46$$

$$(b) 5m + 7 = 17$$

$$(c) \frac{20p}{3} = 40$$

$$(d) \frac{3p}{10} = 6$$

### Answer 3:

$$(a) 3n - 2 = 46$$

**Step 1:**  $3n - 2 + 2 = 46 + 2$

$$\Rightarrow 3n = 48 \quad \text{[Adding 2 both sides]}$$

$$\text{Step II: } \frac{3n}{3} = \frac{48}{3} \Rightarrow n = 16 \quad \text{[Dividing both sides by 3]}$$

$$(b) 5m + 7 = 17$$

$$\text{Step I: } 5m + 7 - 7 = 17 - 7 \Rightarrow 5m = 10 \quad \text{[Subtracting 7 both sides]}$$

$$\text{Step II: } \frac{5m}{5} = \frac{10}{5} \Rightarrow m = 2 \quad \text{[Dividing both sides by 5]}$$

$$(c) \frac{20p}{3} = 40$$

$$\text{Step I: } \frac{20p}{3} \times 3 = 40 \times 3 \Rightarrow 20p = 120 \quad \text{[Multiplying both sides by 3]}$$

$$\text{Step II: } \frac{20p}{20} = \frac{120}{20} \Rightarrow p = 6 \quad \text{[Dividing both sides by 20]}$$

$$(d) \frac{3p}{10} = 6$$

$$\text{Step I: } \frac{3p}{10} \times 10 = 6 \times 10 \Rightarrow 3p = 60 \quad \text{[Multiplying both sides by 10]}$$

$$\text{Step II: } \frac{3p}{3} = \frac{60}{3} \Rightarrow p = 20 \quad \text{[Dividing both sides by 3]}$$

#### Question 4:

Solve the following equation:

$$(a) 10p = 100$$

$$(b) 10p + 10 = 100$$

$$(c) \frac{p}{4} = 5$$

$$(d) \frac{-p}{3} = 5$$

$$(e) \frac{3p}{4} = 6$$

$$(f) 3s = -9$$

$$(g) 3s + 12 = 0$$

$$(h) 3s = 0$$

$$(i) 2q = 6$$

$$(j) 2q - 6 = 0$$

$$(k) 2q + 6 = 0$$

$$(l) 2q + 6 = 12$$

#### Answer 4:

$$(a) 10p = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10p}{10} = \frac{100}{10} \quad \text{[Dividing both sides by 10]}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 10$$

$$(b) 10p + 10 = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 10p + 10 - 10 = 100 - 10 \quad \text{[Subtracting both sides 10]}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10p = 90$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10p}{10} = \frac{90}{10} \quad \text{[Dividing both sides by 10]}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 9$$

$$(c) \frac{p}{4} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p}{4} \times 4 = 5 \times 4 \quad \text{[Multiplying both sides by 4]}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 20$$

$$(d) \frac{-p}{3} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-p}{3} \times (-3) = 5 \times (-3)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = -15$$

[Multiplying both sides by - 3]

$$(e) \frac{3p}{4} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3p}{4} \times 4 = 6 \times 4$$

[Multiplying both sides by 4]

$$\Rightarrow 3p = 24 \Rightarrow \frac{3p}{3} = \frac{24}{3}$$

[Dividing both sides by 3]

$$\Rightarrow p = 8$$

$$(f) 3s = -9$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3s}{3} = \frac{-9}{3}$$

[Dividing both sides by 3]

$$\Rightarrow s = -3$$

$$(g) 3s + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3s + 12 - 12 = 0 - 12$$

[Subtracting both sides 12]

$$\Rightarrow 3s = -12 \Rightarrow \frac{3s}{3} = \frac{-12}{3}$$

[Dividing both sides by 3]

$$\Rightarrow s = -4$$

$$(h) 3s = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3s}{3} = \frac{0}{3}$$

[Dividing both sides by 3]

$$\Rightarrow s = 0$$

$$(i) 2q = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2q}{2} = \frac{6}{2}$$

[Dividing both sides by 2]

$$\Rightarrow q = 3$$

$$(j) 2q - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2q - 6 + 6 = 0 + 6$$

[Adding both sides 6]

$$\Rightarrow 2q = 6 \Rightarrow \frac{2q}{2} = \frac{6}{2}$$

[Dividing both sides by 2]

$$\Rightarrow q = 3$$

$$(k) 2q + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2q + 6 - 6 = 0 - 6$$

[Subtracting both sides 6]

$$\Rightarrow 2q = -6 \Rightarrow \frac{2q}{2} = \frac{-6}{2}$$

[Dividing both sides by 2]

$$\Rightarrow q = -3$$

$$(l) 2q + 6 = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 2q + 6 - 6 = 12 - 6$$

[Subtracting both sides 6]

$$\Rightarrow 2q = 6 \Rightarrow \frac{2q}{2} = \frac{6}{2}$$

[Dividing both sides by 2]

$$\Rightarrow q = 3$$