

L.O. Solve two-step equations - Reasoning and Problem Solving **ANSWERS**

Reasoning 1

Do the operations correctly show how to use inverse operations to find the value of x ?
Explain your reasoning.

$$7(x - 2) = 42$$

$$(x - 2) = 6$$

$$x = 4$$

$$\div 7$$

$$- 2$$

This should be the inverse which is + 2

Reasoning 2

Complete the inverse operations to find the value of x .

$$8(x + 3) = 96$$

$$(x + 3) = 12$$

$$x = 9$$

$$\div 8$$

$$- 3$$

Problem Solving 1

There are six different possible values of x in this equation. Can you find them all and write the six different equations?

$$\square x + 4 = 34$$

By -4 from both sides, we get $?x = 30$

Therefore, the values of x can be all the factors of 30.

$$15x + 4 = 34 \text{ where } x = 2$$

$$10x + 4 = 34 \text{ where } x = 3$$

$$6x + 4 = 34 \text{ where } x = 5$$

$$5x + 4 = 34 \text{ where } x = 6$$

$$3x + 4 = 34 \text{ where } x = 10$$

$$2x + 4 = 34 \text{ where } x = 15$$

Problem Solving 2

What could the missing digits in this equation be?

$$3x + \square = \square$$

The value of x in my equation is a two-digit prime number less than 30. The answer to the equation is a square number.

Possible answers:

$$\text{If } x = 11, \text{ then } 3x + 3 = 36 \text{ or } 3x + 16 = 49$$

$$\text{If } x = 13, \text{ then } 3x + 10 = 49 \text{ or } 3x + 25 = 64$$

Problem Solving 3

Step 1: Find x
(using A and B)

$$5x + 4 = 34 \text{ cm}$$

$$5x = 34 - 4$$

$$5x = 30 \text{ cm}$$

$$x = 30 \div 5$$

$$x = 6 \text{ cm}$$

Step 2: Find the length of pencil D

$$4x + 25 = ?$$

$$(4 \times 6) + 25 = 49 \text{ cm}$$

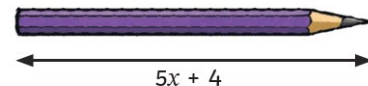
Step 2: Find the length of pencil C

$$A, B \text{ and } D (34 + 34 + 49 = 117)$$

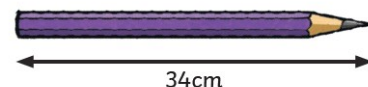
$$139 \text{ cm} - 117 \text{ cm} = 22 \text{ cm}$$

Pencil C is 22cm long.

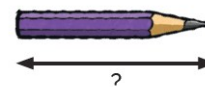
A



B



C



D

