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## Part 1: Building a Foundation

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### What is the first step in solving a multi-step equation?

*Hint: Think about the initial action you take when faced with an equation.*

- Isolate the variable
- Simplify both sides of the equation
- Use the distributive property
- Check the solution

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### Which of the following are properties of equality? (Select all that apply)

*Hint: Consider the rules that govern how we can manipulate equations.*

- Addition Property of Equality
- Subtraction Property of Equality
- Multiplication Property of Equality
- Substitution Property of Equality

### Which of the following are properties of equality? (Select all that apply)

*Hint: Consider the different operations that maintain equality.*

- Addition Property of Equality

- Subtraction Property of Equality
- Multiplication Property of Equality
- Substitution Property of Equality

**Explain why it is important to perform the same operation on both sides of an equation when solving it.**

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**List the four main operations used in solving multi-step equations.**

*Hint: Think about the basic arithmetic operations.*

1. What is the first operation?

2. What is the second operation?

3. What is the third operation?

4. What is the fourth operation?

## Part 2: Comprehension and Application

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**If you have the equation  $3(x + 2) = 18$ , what is the first step to simplify it?**

*Hint: Consider how to deal with the parentheses.*

- Divide both sides by 3
- Subtract 2 from both sides
- Distribute the 3 into the parentheses
- Add 2 to both sides

**If you have the equation  $3(x + 2) = 18$ , what is the first step to simplify it?**

*Hint: Think about distributing the 3.*

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- Subtract 2 from both sides
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**When solving the equation  $2x - 5 = 15$ , which steps are necessary? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Think about how to isolate the variable  $x$ .*

- Add 5 to both sides
- Subtract 5 from both sides
- Divide both sides by 2
- Multiply both sides by 2

**When solving the equation  $2x - 5 = 15$ , which steps are necessary? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Consider the operations needed to isolate  $x$ .*

- Add 5 to both sides
- Subtract 5 from both sides
- Divide both sides by 2
- Multiply both sides by 2

**Describe how you would check if your solution to a multi-step equation is correct.**

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**Solve the equation  $4x + 7 = 31$ . What is the value of  $x$ ?**

*Hint: Isolate  $x$  by performing inverse operations.*

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**Given the equation  $5(y - 3) = 20$ , which of the following are correct steps to solve for  $y$ ? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Consider how to eliminate the parentheses and isolate  $y$ .*

- Divide both sides by 5
- Add 3 to both sides
- Subtract 3 from both sides
- Multiply both sides by 5

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*Hint: Consider the operations needed to isolate  $y$ .*

- Divide both sides by 5
- Add 3 to both sides
- Subtract 3 from both sides
- Multiply both sides by 5

**Solve the equation  $2(a + 4) = 3a - 6$  and explain each step you took to find the solution.**

*Hint: Break down the equation step by step.*

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*Hint: Think about distributing and isolating  $a$ .*

### Part 3: Analysis, Evaluation, and Creation

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In the equation  $6z - 4 = 2z + 8$ , what should be your first step to isolate the variable  $z$ ?

*Hint: Think about how to eliminate  $z$  from one side.*

- Add 4 to both sides
- Subtract  $2z$  from both sides
- Add  $2z$  to both sides
- Subtract  $6z$  from both sides

In the equation  $6z - 4 = 2z + 8$ , what should be your first step to isolate the variable  $z$ ?

*Hint: Think about moving terms involving  $z$  to one side.*

- Add 4 to both sides
- Subtract  $2z$  from both sides
- Add  $2z$  to both sides
- Subtract  $6z$  from both sides

Which of the following equations require the use of the distributive property to simplify? (Select all that apply)

*Hint: Look for parentheses in the equations.*

- $3(x + 5) = 15$
- $4x - 2 = 10$
- $2(3y - 4) = 8$
- $x/2 + 3 = 7$

Which of the following equations require the use of the distributive property to simplify? (Select all that apply)

*Hint: Consider equations with parentheses.*

- $3(x + 5) = 15$
- $4x - 2 = 10$
- $2(3y - 4) = 8$
- $x/2 + 3 = 7$

Analyze the equation  $7x + 2 = 3x + 18$ . Describe the steps you would take to solve for  $x$  and why each step is necessary.

*Hint: Break down the equation into manageable parts.*

**Analyze the equation  $7x + 2 = 3x + 18$ . Describe the steps you would take to solve for  $x$  and why each step is necessary.**

*Hint: Think about isolating  $x$  and combining like terms.*

**Which strategies can be used to solve complex multi-step equations effectively? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Think about methods that simplify the process.*

- Breaking down the equation into simpler parts
- Using a calculator for every step
- Checking each step for accuracy
- Writing down each step clearly

**Which strategies can be used to solve complex multi-step equations effectively? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Consider different approaches to problem-solving.*

- Breaking down the equation into simpler parts
- Using a calculator for every step
- Checking each step for accuracy
- Writing down each step clearly

**Create your own multi-step equation and provide a detailed solution. Explain each step and the reasoning behind it.**

*Hint: Think creatively about the equation you want to create.*

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*Hint: Think about a problem you would like to solve.*