Solving Equations with Integers

When solving equations with integers, use inverse operations to "undo" each other. Also, remember to do the same thing to both sides of an equation.

Solve
$$s + 14 = -12$$
.

$$s + 14 - 14 = -12 - 14$$

$$s + 0 = -26$$

$$s = -26$$

Solve
$$-3y = 60$$
.

$$\frac{-3y}{-3} = \frac{60}{-3}$$

$$y = -20$$

Solve
$$\frac{d}{-10} = 7$$
.

$$(\frac{d}{-10}) \times (-10) = 7 \times (-10)$$

$$d = -70$$

Solve and check each equation.

1.
$$t + 8 = -20$$

3.
$$\frac{k}{5} = 15$$

4.
$$w + (-4) = 9$$

5.
$$\frac{n}{-9} = 7$$

6.
$$2p = -18$$

8.
$$\frac{y}{3} = -12$$

9.
$$40r = -280$$

10. Number Sense Suppose a number was multiplied by −3. What would you do to undo the multiplication?

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1.
$$y - (-6) = -6$$

3.
$$-4w = -80$$

5.
$$55 + h = -7$$

7.
$$x + (-8) = -15$$

$$x =$$

2.
$$\frac{-80}{t} = 8$$

4.
$$u - (-96) = 2$$

6.
$$n \div -9 = -9$$

8.
$$-21c = 21$$

Reasoning Without solving, tell whether the variable is greater than, less than, or equal to -15. Tell how you decided.

9.
$$p + 14 = 2$$

- **10.** The temperature at 3:00 P.M. was -5° F. The temperature 1 hr later was -8° F. Solve the equation -5 + d = -8 to find the change in temperature.
- 11. A climber reached 2,500 ft up a mountain. Over the next 3 hr, she descended 600 ft down the mountain. Solve the equation 3y = -600 to find the number of feet she descended per hour.

Test Prep

12. Which is the value of s in s - (-87) = -120?

A.
$$-207$$

13. Writing in Math Write an equation in which the variable g stands for a negative integer. Then solve the equation for g.