Unit 2 - Solving Equations

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Transfer

Big Idea: Solving One Step Equations and Inequalities

Prior Knowledge

Performed operations with integers

Written and evaluated variable expressions

Essential Questions

How can writing equations and inequalities help solve mathematical and real life problems?

How can we interpret the solution of an inequality by graphing it?

In what context have I seen this mathematical concept before and when will I see it again?

Enduring Understandings

Inequalities can be written to solve mathematical problems.

The solution set of an inequality can be graphed to interpret it is in the context of the problem

Standards in Mathematics

MA.K-12.1	Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
	Mathematically proficient students start by explaining to themselves the meaning of a problem and looking for entry points to its solution. They analyze givens, constraints, relationships, and goals. They make conjectures about the form and meaning of the solution and plan a solution pathway rather than simply jumping into a solution attempt. They consider analogous problems, and try special cases and simpler forms of the original problem in order to gain insight into its solution. They monitor and evaluate their progress and change course if necessary. Older students might, depending on the context of the problem, transform algebraic expressions or change the viewing window on their graphing calculator to get the information they need. Mathematically proficient students can explain correspondences between equations, verbal descriptions, tables, and graphs or draw diagrams of important features and relationships, graph data, and search for regularity or trends. Younger students might rely on using concrete objects or pictures to help conceptualize and solve a problem. Mathematically proficient students check their answers to problems using a different method, and they continually ask themselves, "Does this make sense?" They can understand the approaches of others to solving complex problems and identify correspondences between different approaches.
MA.K-12.7	Look for and make use of structure.
MA.7.NS.A	Apply and extend previous understandings of operations with fractions to add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational numbers.
	Mathematically proficient students look closely to discern a pattern or structure. Young students, for example, might notice that three and seven more is the same amount as seven and three more, or they may sort a collection of shapes according to how many sides the shapes have. Later, students will see 7 × 8 equals the well remembered 7 × 5 + 7 × 3, in preparation for learning about the distributive property. In the expression $x^2 + 9x + 14$, older students can see the 14 as 2 × 7 and the 9 as 2 + 7. They recognize the significance of an existing line in a geometric figure and can use the strategy of drawing an auxiliary line for solving problems. They also can step back for an overview and shift perspective. They can see complicated things, such as some algebraic expressions, as single objects or as being composed of several objects. For example, they can see $5 – 3(x – y)^2$ as 5 minus a positive number times a square and use that to realize that its value cannot be more than 5 for any real numbers x and y.
MA.6.NS.B	Compute fluently with multi-digit numbers and find common factors and multiples.
MA.6.NS.B.3	Fluently add, subtract, multiply, and divide multi-digit decimals using the standard algorithm for each operation.
MA.7.NS.A.2	Apply and extend previous understandings of multiplication and division and of fractions to multiply and divide rational numbers.
MA.7.NS.A.2a	Understand that multiplication is extended from fractions to rational numbers by requiring that operations continue to satisfy the properties of operations, particularly the distributive property, leading to products such as (–1)(–1) = 1 and the rules for multiplying signed numbers. Interpret products of rational numbers by describing real-world contexts.
MA.7.NS.A.2b	Understand that integers can be divided, provided that the divisor is not zero, and every quotient of integers (with non-zero divisor) is a rational number.If p and q are integers, then $–(p/q) = (–p)/q = p/(–q)$. Interpret quotients of rational numbers by describing real-world contexts.
MA.7.NS.A.2c	Apply properties of operations as strategies to multiply and divide rational numbers.
MA.7.EE.A	Use properties of operations to generate equivalent expressions.
MA.7.EE.A.1	Apply properties of operations as strategies to add, subtract, factor, and expand linear expressions with rational coefficients.

MA.7.EE.B	Solve real-life and mathematical problems using numerical and algebraic expressions and equations.
MA.7.EE.B.4	Use variables to represent quantities in a real-world or mathematical problem, and construct simple equations and inequalities to solve problems by reasoning about the quantities.
MA.6.EE.A	Apply and extend previous understandings of arithmetic to algebraic expressions.
MA.6.EE.A.2b	Identify parts of an expression using mathematical terms (sum, term, product, factor, quotient, coefficient); view one or more parts of an expression as a single entity.
MA.6.EE.A.3	Apply the properties of operations to generate equivalent expressions.
MA.6.EE.B	Reason about and solve one-variable equations and inequalities.
MA.6.EE.B.7	Solve real-world and mathematical problems by writing and solving equations of the form $x + p = q$ and $px = q$ for cases in which p, q and x are all nonnegative rational numbers.

Critical Knowledge and Skills

Vocabulary

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Additive identity

Multiplicative identity

Term

Coefficient

Constant term

Like terms

Equation

Solution of an equation

Solving an equation

Inverse operations

Equivalent operations

Learning Objectives

Use addition, multiplication, and distributive properties

Simplify variable expressions

Solve equations using mental math

Solve equations using addition and subtraction

Solve equations using multiplication and division

Solve equations involving decimals

Convert between metric and U.S. customary units

Resources

Envision Math
Math iXL
iReady Math
-MyPath Learning
Khan Academy