

Solving One-Step Equation

ADD AND SUBTRACT WITH DECIMALS

HELPFUL EXAMPLES

$$x - 2.5 = 4.4$$

WE NEED TO FIND A VALUE FOR "x" THAT WILL MAKE THE EQUATION TRUE.

$$x - 2.5 = 4.4$$

THE EASIEST WAY TO FIND THE ANSWER IS TO GET THE NUMBERS AND VARIABLES ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE EQUAL SIGN. IF WE MOVE THE -2.5 ALL THE NUMBER WILL BE ON THE RIGHT SIDE AND "x". THE VARIABLE WILL BE ON THE LEFT.

$$x - 2.5 = 4.4$$

$$+2.5 = +2.5$$

$$x - 0 = 6.9$$

$$x = 6.9$$

TO MOVE A NUMBER OR VARIABLE, WE NEED TO DO THE OPPOSITE OPERATION, SINCE WE ARE MOVING THE -2.5, WE NEED TO DO THE OPPOSITE TO BOTH SIDES. THE OPPOSITE OF -2.5 IS +2.5. SO ADD +2.5 TO BOTH SIDES.

Now your turn. Solve each equation.

ANSWER:

$$\begin{array}{r} 1. \quad x + 2.8 = -3.4 \\ \quad - 2.8 = -2.8 \\ \hline x - 0 = -6.2 \\ x = -6.2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2. \quad 1.8 + w = 8.2 \\ \\ w = 6.4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3. \quad 2.2 = -3.6 + y \\ \\ y = 5.8 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4. \quad -7 + b = -5.3 \\ \\ b = 1.7 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5. \quad -4.2 = m - 6.5 \\ \\ m = 2.3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6. \quad -3.3 = x + 3.1 \\ \\ x = -6.4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 7. \quad 1 = 7.4 + s \\ \\ s = -6.4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8. \quad -0.8 = 5.2 + t \\ \\ t = -6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 9. \quad 6.7 = 4.6 + g \\ \\ g = 2.1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10. \quad k + 1.8 = -3.5 \\ \\ k = -5.3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 11. \quad h - 3.3 = 7.2 \\ \\ h = 10.5 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 12. \quad -8.9 = b - 6.9 \\ \\ b = -2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 13. \quad 9.8 + s = 0.4 \\ \\ s = 9.4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 14. \quad m + 5 = -2.1 \\ \\ m = -7.1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 15. \quad 6.6 + b = 4.1 \\ \\ b = -2.5 \end{array}$$

