# SP#1 Notes and Examples

Set it up...use the 3-column method!!

LET	SHOW	ANSWER
X = ???	write an egyation	be sure to answer the
	using from the "let"	question (label)
	column; reflect the	
	story; solve	

## example:

Jim is twice as old as Bob. The sum of their ages is 21 years. How old is Jim?

$$x = Bob' age$$
  $x + 2x = 21$   
 $2x = Jim's age$   $(\frac{1}{3})3x = 21(\frac{1}{3})$  Jim is 14 yrs old  $x = 7$ 

#### Number 11 - sheet #1

They won 21 games go back and look at the "let" column; answer the question

#### Number 12 - sheet #1

$$x + 2x = 78$$

$$(\frac{1}{3})3x = 78(\frac{1}{3})$$

$$x = 26$$

Doug has \$26

#### Number 13 - sheet #1

$$x = \#$$
 of girls  
 $x - 15 = \#$  of boys

$$x + x - 15 = 135$$

$$2x + (-15) = 135$$

$$+15 + 15$$

$$\frac{(\frac{1}{2})2x}{(\frac{1}{2})2x} = 150(\frac{1}{2})$$

$$x = 75$$

There are 75 girls in the band

- Be specific in the let column
- Do not solve or simplify before you write the equation.
- Use what is in the LET column in your equation
- Show steps for solving
- Be sure to answer the question-use a label

# SP#2 Notes and Examples

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When a certain number is added to 23, the sum is 62. Find the number.

Let x = a #

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
23 + x = 62 \\
-23 & -23 \\
x = & 39
\end{array}$$

the number is

39

A 23 in piece of string is cut so that one piece is 8 in shorter than the other. Find the length of each piece.

x = longer piece

x - 8 =shorter piece

$$x + x - 8 = 23$$

$$2x - 8 = 23$$

$$\frac{+8 +8}{(\frac{1}{2})2x = 31(\frac{1}{2})}$$

$$X = 15\frac{1}{2}$$

the longer piece is  $15\frac{1}{2}in$ the shorter piece is  $7\frac{1}{2}in$ 

Find two consecutive integers whose sum is 67. Consecutive means right in a row

X = one #

$$X + 1 = next #$$

$$x + x + 1 = 67$$

$$2x + 1 = 67$$

$$(\frac{1}{2})2x = 66(\frac{1}{2})$$

$$X = 33$$

the two integers are 33 and 34

Erica spent \$34.80 at Hy-Vee on groceries and dry cleaning. If the dry-cleaning was \$7 less than the cost of the groceries, how much was the dry-cleaning?

x = groceries  
x - 7 = dry cleaning  

$$x + x - 7 = 34.80$$
  
 $-7 = 34.80$   
 $+7 + 7.00$   
 $(\frac{1}{2})2x = 41.80(\frac{1}{2})$   
 $-7 = 34.80$   
 $+7 + 7.00$   
 $(\frac{1}{2})2x = 41.80(\frac{1}{2})$   
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- Be specific in the let column about "smaller piece" and "larger piece"
- Do not solve simplify before you write the equation.
- Use what is in the LET column in your equation
- Show steps for solving
- Be sure to label the answer and answer the question

# SP#3 Notes and Examples

Jimmy earns 3 times as much money as Paul.  x = amt. Jimmy earns  = amt. Paul earns
Sally's test score was 5 points higher than Linda's.  Linda's test score was 9 pts. Higher than Michelle's/  x = Michelle's score  = Linda's score  = Sally's score
David's soccer team played a total of 12 games.  x = number of games won  = number of games lost
ouise ran 2 miles farther than Pam. Lucy ran ½ mile ess than Louise.  x = distance run by Pam  = distance run by Louise  = distance run by Lucy

The length of a rectangle is 3 times the width. The perimeter is 32 inches. What is the length of the rectangle?

### THE PERIMETER IS = 2/ + 2w

#### REMEMBER THAT FOR THE EQUATION!!

x = width 
$$2x + 2(3x) = 32$$
  
3x = length  $2x + 6x = 32$  the length  $\frac{1}{8}(8x) = (32)\frac{1}{8}$  is 12 inches  $x = 4$ 

## Story Problems #6

The sum of three consecutive integers is 81. Find the numbers

$$x = 1^{st}$$
 integer  
 $x + 1 = 2^{nd}$  int.  
 $x + 2 = 3^{rd}$  int.  
 $x + 2 = 3^{rd}$  int.  
 $x + 2 = 3^{rd}$  int.  
 $x + 3 = 81$   
 $x + 3 = 81$   

The sum of three consecutive even integers is 66. Find the numbers.

$$x = 1^{st}$$
 integer  
 $x + 2 = 2^{nd}$  int.  
 $x + 4 = 3^{rd}$  int.  
 $x + 4 = 3^{rd}$  int.  
 $x + 4 = 3^{rd}$  int.  
 $x + x + 2 + x + 4 = 66$   
 $x + 4 = 60$   
 $x + 4 = 60$ 

Two-thirds of a number 16. What is the number?

x = the number 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ x = 24 \end{pmatrix}$$
 The number is 24

#### **HELPFUL HINTS:**

Make sure all units of measure are the same!!!! (all cm, all feet, all inches, etc. You may have to change some so they are all the same.) "Adjacent" means "next to"

# STORY PROBLEMS #7 AGE PROBLEMS

When Jimmy and Erica entered school in Iowa, the <u>age of Jimmy was three times the age of Erica</u>. Five years later, Jimmy is only twice as old as Erica is. What were their ages at first?

	THEN	LATER (+5)
JIMMY		
ERICA		

	THEN	LATER (+5)
JIMMY	3x	3x + 5
ERICA	X	x + 5

Five years later Jimmy is twice as old as Erica 3x + 5 = 2 times (x + 5)

$$3x + 5 = 2(x + 5)$$

$$3x + 5 = 2x + 10$$

$$-2x$$

$$x + 5 = -2x$$

$$-2x$$

$$x + 5 = 10$$

$$-5$$

$$x = 5$$

Jimmy was 15 years old; Erica was 5 years old.

Four years ago, <u>Lucy was 3 times as old as Pam.</u> Now, four years later, Lucy is only twice as old as Pam. How old are Lucy and Pam now?

	· THEN	LATER (+4)
LUCY		
PAM		

	THEN	LATER (+4)
LUCY	3x	3x+4
	X	x + 4
PAM		

LATER Lucy is twice as old as Pam 
$$3x + 4 = 2$$
 times  $(x + 4)$ 

$$3x + 4 = 2(x + 4)$$

$$3x + 4 = 2x + 8$$

$$-2x$$

$$x + 4 = -2x$$

$$-2x$$

$$x + 4 = -2x$$

$$8$$

$$-4$$

$$x = -4$$

$$4$$

Lucy is now 16 yrs. old and Pam is 8 yrs. old.

Mark's age is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Paul's age. In 6 years, Mark will be  $\frac{1}{2}$  as old as Paul will be then. How old will Mark and Paul be then?

	NOW	Then (+6)
Paul		
Mark		

Now		In 6 years	
Paul	X	x + 6	
Mark	1/4 X	$\frac{1}{4}x + 6$	

Mark will be half as old as Paul

$$\frac{\frac{1}{4} \times + 6}{4(\frac{1}{4} \times + 6)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{(x + 6)}$$

$$\frac{4(\frac{1}{4} \times + 6)}{x + 24} = \frac{4(\frac{1}{2} \times + 3)}{24}$$

$$\frac{-x}{24} = \frac{-x}{x + 12}$$

$$x + 12 = 24 \text{ (exchange)}$$

$$\frac{-12}{x} = \frac{-12}{12}$$

Paul will be 18 and Mark will be 9.

# Story Problems 8 - Coin Problems

Coins (just list them)	How many (One is x, the others based on story)	Value (multiply by value of each coin)

#### EASIER NOT TO USE DECIMALS; CAN USE THEM AT THE END IF NECESSARY

- 1) Make table
- 2) Write coins
- 3) Fill in # of coins (let one be x, the others relating to x)
- 4) Multiply # times value
- 5) Write the equation
- 6) Solve
- 7) Answer the question (look at the let column!!)

Jimmy has some money is a piggy bank. He has 3 times as many dimes as nickels. In all, he has \$1.75. How many dimes does he have?

	#	value
N	Х	5x
D	3x	10(3x)=
		30x

$$5x + 30x = 175$$
$$(\frac{1}{35})35x = 175(\frac{1}{35})$$
$$x = 5$$

He has 15 dimes

Jimmy has some \$12.00. He has twice as many nickels as dimes, 2 fewer quarters than twice the number of nickels, and 3 more half-dollars than nickels. How many quarters does he have?

	#	value
N	2x	5(2x)=10x
D	Х	10x
Q	2(2x)-2	25(4x-2)=100x - 50
HD	2x + 3	50(2x + 3) = 100x + 150

$$10x + 10x + 100x - 50 + 100x + 150 = 1200$$

$$220x + 100 = 1200 \text{ (no decimals!)}$$

$$\frac{-100 - 100}{(\frac{1}{220})220x = 1100(\frac{1}{220})}$$

$$x = 5$$

He has
18 Quarters

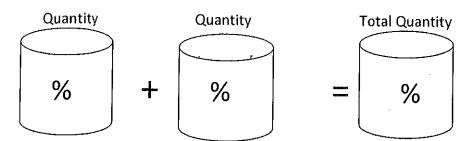
# **Story Problems #9 Tickets and Mixture**

TICKETS – can be set up like the coin problems – quantity and value columns

There are 26 tickets sold for the movie for a total of \$54.00. Adult tickets cost \$2.75 each, children's tickets cost \$1.50 each. How many of each were sold?

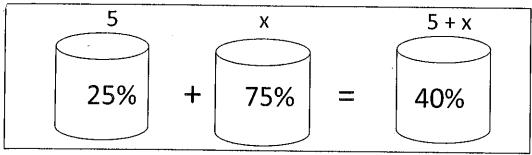
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What?	many?	value	•	
Adult	х	2.75x	2.75x + 1.5(26 - x) = 54	
Children	26 - x	1.5(26 – x)	4	There were 12 adult tickets sold and 14 children's tickets sold
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## **MIXTURE PROBLEMS**



To write the equation, multiply each quantity times the %.

Mr. Altemeier has 5 gallons of liquid containing 25% sulfuric acid. He would like to obtain a solution of 40% sulfuric acid by adding a solution of 75% sulfuric acid to his original solution. How much of the more concentrated solution must he add?



$$5(25) + 75x = 40(5 + x)$$

$$125 + 75x = 200 + 40x$$

$$-40x \qquad -40x$$

$$125 + 35x = 200$$

$$-125 \qquad -125$$

$$\frac{1}{(\frac{1}{35})35x} = 75(\frac{1}{35})$$

$$x = 2\frac{1}{7}$$

He must add  $2\frac{1}{7}$  gallons of the 75% solution

A mixture of 10 lbs. of candy (worth \$2.70 per pound) is to be made up of caramels costing \$2.60 per pound and creams costing \$2.90 per pound. How much of each?

$$-0.3x + 29 = 27$$

$$-29 - 29$$

$$-0.3x = -2$$

$$\left(-\frac{10}{3}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{10}x\right) = -2\left(-\frac{10}{3}\right)$$

 $x = 6\frac{2}{3}$ 

You would use  $6\frac{2}{3}$  pounds of caramels and  $3\frac{1}{3}$  pounds of creams.

If you add water to a solution use 0% for the water.