

CHAPTER 14 – LINEAR EQUATIONS IN ONE VARIABLE

Solve the following equations:

Question 1

$$20 = 6 + 2x$$

Solution:

Simplifying we get $20 = 6 + 2x$

$$20 - 6 = 2x$$

$$14 = 2x$$

$$7 = x$$

$$x = 7$$

Question 2

$$15 + x = 5x + 3$$

Solution:

Simplifying we get $15 - 3 = 5x - x$ $12 = 4x$

$$3 = x$$

$$x = 3$$

Question 3

$$\frac{3x+2}{x-6} = -7$$

Solution:

By cross multiplying $3x + 2 = -7(x-6)$

$$3x + 2 = -7x + 42$$

$$3x + 7x = 42 - 2$$

$$10x = 40$$

$$x = 4$$

Question 4

$$3a - = 2(4 - a)$$

Solution:

$$3a - 4 = 8 - 2a$$

$$3a + 2a = 8 + 4$$

$$5a = 12$$

$$a = 2.4$$

Question 5

$$3(b - 4) = 2(4 - b)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}3b - 12 &= 8 - 2b \\3b + 2b &= 8 + 12 \\5b &= 20 \\b &= \frac{20}{5} \\b &= 4\end{aligned}$$

Question 6

$$\frac{x+2}{9} = \frac{x+4}{11}$$

Solution:

By cross multiplying $11(x + 2) = 9(x + 4)$

$$\begin{aligned}11x + 22 &= 9x + 36 \\11x - 9x &= 36 - 22 \\2x &= 14 \\x &= \frac{14}{2} \\&\Rightarrow x = 7\end{aligned}$$

Question 7

$$\frac{x-8}{5} = \frac{x-12}{9}$$

Solution:

By cross multiplying $9(x - 8) = 5(x - 12)$

$$\begin{aligned}9x - 72 &= 5x - 60 \\9x - 5 &= -60 + 72 \\4x &= 12 \\x &= \frac{12}{4} \\x &= 3\end{aligned}$$

Question 8

$$5(8x + 3) = 9(4x + 7)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}40x + 15 &= 36x + 63 \\40x - 36x &= 63 - 15 \\4x &= 48\end{aligned}$$

$$x = \frac{48}{4}$$
$$x = 12$$

Question 9

$$3(x + 1) = 12 + 4(x - 1)$$

Solution:

$$3(x + 1) = 12 + 4(x - 1)$$
$$3x + 3 = 12 + 4x - 4$$
$$3x - 4x = 12 - 4 - 3$$
$$-x = 5 \Rightarrow x = -5$$

Question 10

$$\frac{3x}{4} - \frac{1}{4}(x - 20) = \frac{x}{4} + 32$$

Solution:

$$\frac{3x}{4} - \frac{x}{4} + 5 = \frac{x}{4} + 32$$
$$\frac{3x}{4} - \frac{x}{4} - \frac{x}{4} = 32 - 5$$
$$\frac{3x - x - x}{4} = 27$$
$$\frac{x}{4} = 27$$
$$x = 27 \times 4$$
$$x = 108$$

Question 11.

$$3a - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{a}{5} + 5\frac{2}{5}$$

Solution:

$$3a - \frac{a}{5} = 5\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{5}$$
$$3a - \frac{a}{5} = \frac{27}{5} + \frac{1}{5}$$

$$(\text{Multiplying each term by } 5) \Rightarrow 3a \times 5 - \frac{a}{5} \times 5 = \frac{27}{5} \times 5 + \frac{1}{5} \times 5$$

$$15a - a = 27 + 1$$

$$14a = 28$$

$$a = \frac{28}{14}$$

$$a = 2$$

Question 12.

$$\frac{x}{3} - 2\frac{1}{2} = \frac{4x}{9} - \frac{2x}{3}$$

Solution:

$$\frac{x}{3} - \frac{5}{2} = \frac{4x}{9} - \frac{2x}{3}$$

Since, L.C.M. of denominators 3, 2, 9 and 3=18

$$[\text{Multiplying each term by 18}] \Rightarrow \frac{x}{3} \times 18 - \frac{5}{2} \times 18 = \frac{4x}{9} \times 18 - \frac{2x}{3} \times 18$$

$$6x - 45 = 8x - 12x$$

$$6x + 12x - 8x = 45$$

$$18x - 8x = 45$$

$$10x = 45$$

$$x = \frac{45}{10}$$

$$x = 4.5$$

Question 13:

$$\frac{4(y+2)}{5} = 7 + \frac{5y}{13}$$

Solution:

$$\frac{4y+8}{5} = 7 + \frac{5y}{13}$$

$$\frac{4y+8}{5} = \frac{91+5y}{13}$$

(By cross multiplying)

$$13(4y + 8) = 5(91 + 5y)$$

$$52y + 104 = 455 + 25y$$

$$52y - 25y = 455 - 104$$

$$27y = 351$$

$$y = \frac{351}{27}$$

$$y = 13$$

Question 14.

$$\frac{a+5}{6} - \frac{a+1}{9} = \frac{a+3}{4}$$

Solution:

Since, L.C.M. of denominators 6, 9 and 4=36

$$\text{Multiplying each term by 36} \Rightarrow \frac{a+5}{6} \times 36 - \frac{a+1}{9} \times 36 = \frac{a+3}{4} \times 36$$

$$6(a + 5) - 4(a + 1) = 9(a + 3)$$

$$6a + 30 - 4a - 4 = 9a + 27$$

$$6a - 4a - 9a = 27 - 30 + 4$$

$$6a - 13a = 1$$

$$-7a = 1$$

$$a = -\frac{1}{7}$$

Question 15:

$$\frac{2x-13}{5} - \frac{x-3}{11} = \frac{x-9}{5} + 1$$

Solution:

$$\frac{2x-13}{5} - \frac{x-3}{11} = \frac{x-9}{5} + \frac{1}{1}$$

Since, L.C.M. of denominators 5, 11, 5 and 1 = 55

$$\therefore \frac{2x-13}{5} \times 55 - \frac{x-3}{11} \times 55 = \frac{x-9}{5} \times 55 + \frac{1}{1} \times 55$$

$$11(2x - 13) - 5(x - 3) = 11(x - 9) + 55$$

$$22x - 143 - 5x + 15 = 71x - 99 + 55$$

$$22x - 5x - 11x = -99 + 55 + 143 - 15$$

$$6x = 198 - 114$$

$$6x = 84$$

$$x = \frac{84}{6}$$

$$x = 14$$



