

## **EXERCISE 8.1**

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## 1. Verify by substitution that:

(i) 
$$x = 4$$
 is the root of  $3x - 5 = 7$ 

(ii) 
$$x = 3$$
 is the root of  $5 + 3x = 14$ 

(iii) 
$$x = 2$$
 is the root of  $3x - 2 = 8x - 12$ 

(iv) 
$$x = 4$$
 is the root of  $(3x/2) = 6$ 

(v) 
$$y = 2$$
 is the root of  $y - 3 = 2y - 5$ 

(vi) 
$$x = 8$$
 is the root of  $(1/2)x + 7 = 11$ 

### **Solution:**

(i) Given x = 4 is the root of 3x - 5 = 7

Now, substituting x = 4 in place of 'x' in the given equation, we get

$$=3(4)-5=7$$

$$= 12 - 5 = 7$$

Since, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 4 is the root of 3x - 5 = 7.

## (ii) Given x = 3 is the root of 5 + 3x = 14.

Now, substituting x = 3 in place of 'x' in the given equation, we get

$$= 5 + 3(3) = 14$$

$$= 5 + 9 = 14$$

Hence, x = 3 is the root of 5 + 3x = 14.

# (iii) Given x = 2 is the root of 3x - 2 = 8x - 12.

Now, substituting x = 2 in place of 'x' in the given equation, we get

$$= 3(2) - 2 = 8(2) - 12$$

$$= 6 - 2 = 16 - 12$$

Hence, 
$$x = 2$$
 is the root of  $3x - 2 = 8x - 12$ .

(iv) Given 
$$x = 4$$
 is the root of  $3x/2 = 6$ .



Now, substituting x = 4 in place of 'x' in the given equation, we get

$$=(3 \times 4)/2 = 6$$

$$=(12/2)=6$$

$$6 = 6$$

Since, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 4 is the root of (3x/2) = 6.

(v) Given y = 2 is the root of y - 3 = 2y - 5.

Now, substituting y = 2 in place of 'y' in the given equation, we get

$$= 2 - 3 = 2(2) - 5$$

$$= -1 = 4 - 5$$

$$-1 = -1$$

Since, LHS = RHS

Hence, y = 2 is the root of y - 3 = 2y - 5.

(vi) Given x = 8 is the root of 12x + 7 = 11.

Now, substituting x = 8 in place of 'x' in the given equation, we get

$$= 12(8) + 7 = 11$$

Since, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 8 is the root of 12x + 7 = 11.

# 2. Solve each of the following equations by trial – and – error method:

(i) 
$$x + 3 = 12$$

(ii) 
$$x - 7 = 10$$

(iii) 
$$4x = 28$$

(iv) 
$$(x/2) + 7 = 11$$

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

$$(vi) (x/4) = 12$$

(vii) 
$$(15/x) = 3$$

$$(vii)(x/18) = 20$$

#### **Solution:**

(i) Given 
$$x + 3 = 12$$

Here LHS = x + 3 and RHS = 12



Х	LHS	RHS	Is LHS = RHS
1	1 + 3 = 4	12	No
2	2 + 3 = 5	12	No
3	3 + 3 = 6	12	No
4	4 + 3 = 7	12	No
5	5 + 3 = 8	12	No
6	6 + 3 = 9	12	No
7	7 + 3 = 10	12	No
8	8 + 3 = 11	12	No
9	9 + 3 = 12	12	Yes

Therefore, if x = 9, LHS = RHS.

Hence, x = 9 is the solution to this equation.

(ii) Given x - 7 = 10

Here LHS = x - 7 and RHS = 10

х	LHS	RHS	Is LHS = RHS
9	9 - 7 = 2	10	No
10	10 -7 = 3	10	No
11	11 - 7 = 4	10	No
12	12 – 7 = 5	10	No
13	19 - 7 = 6	10	No
14	14 – 7 = 7	10	No
15	15 – 7 = 8	10	No
16	16 – 7 = 9	10	No
17	17 – 7 = 10	10	Yes

Therefore if x = 17, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 17 is the solution to this equation.

(iii) Given 4x = 28

Here LHS = 4x and RHS = 28



х	LHS	RHS	Is LHS = RHS
1	4 × 1 = 4	28	No
2	4 × 2 = 8	28	No
3	4 × 3 = 12	28	No
4	4 × 4 = 16	28	No
5	4 × 5 = 20	28	No
6	4 × 6 = 24	28	No
7	4 × 7 = 28	28	Yes

Therefore if x = 7, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 7 is the solution to this equation.

(iv) Given (x/2) + 7 = 11

Here LHS = (x/2) + 7 and RHS = 11

Since RHS is a natural number, (x/2) must also be a natural number, so we must substitute values of x that are multiples of 2.

х	LHS	RHS	Is LHS = RHS
2	(2/2) + 7 = 1 + 7 = 8	11	No
4	(4/2) + 7 = 2 + 7 = 9	11	No
6	(6/2) + 7 = 3 + 7 = 10	11	No
8	(8/2) + 7 = 4 + 7 = 11	<b>2</b> 11	Yes

Therefore if x = 8, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 8 is the solutions to this equation.

(v) Given 2x + 4 = 3x

Here LHS = 2x + 4 and RHS = 3x

х	LHS	RHS	Is LHS = RHS
1	2 (1) + 4 = 2 + 4 = 6	3 (1) = 3	No
2	2 (2) + 4 = 4 + 4 = 8	3 (2) = 6	No
3	2 (3) + 4 = 6 + 4 = 10	3 (3) = 9	No
4	2 (4) + 4 = 8 + 4 = 12	3 (4) = 12	Yes

Therefore if x = 4, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 4 is the solutions to this equation.



(vi) Given (x/4) = 12

Here LHS = (x/4) and RHS = 12

Since RHS is a natural number, x/4 must also be a natural number, so we must substitute values of x that are multiples of 4.

х	LHS	RHS	Is LHS = RHS
16	(16/4) = 4	12	No
20	(20/4) = 5	12	No
24	(24/4) = 6	12	No
28	(28/4) = 7	12	No
32	(32/4) = 8	12	No
36	(36/4) = 9	12	No
40	(40/4) = 10	12	No
44	(44/4) = 11	12	No
48	(48/4) = 12	12	Yes

Therefore if x = 48, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 48 is the solutions to this equation.

(vii) Given (15/x) = 3

Here LHS = (15/x) and RHS = 3

Since RHS is a natural number, 15x must also be a natural number, so we must substitute values of x that are factors of 15.

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X	LHS	RHS	Is LHS = RHS
1	(15/1) = 15	3	No
3	(15/3) = 5	3	No
5	(15/5) = 3	3	Yes

Therefore if x = 5, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 5 is the solutions to this equation.

(viii) Given (x/18) = 20

Here LHS = (x/18) and RHS = 20

Since RHS is a natural number, (x/18) must also be a natural number, so we must substitute values of x that are multiples of 18.



х	LHS	RHS	Is LHS = RHS
324	(324/18) = 18	20	No
342	(342/18) = 19	20	No
360	(360/18) = 20	20	Yes

Therefore if x = 360, LHS = RHS

Hence, x = 360 is the solutions to this equation.

