

EXERCISE 2.4

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1. Amina thinks of a number and subtracts $5/2$ from it. She multiplies the result by 8. The result now obtained is 3 times the same number she thought of. What is the number?

Solution:

Let the number be x ,

According to the question,

$$(x - 5/2) \times 8 = 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x - 40/2 = 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x - 3x = 40/2$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4$$

Thus, the number is 4.

2. A positive number is 5 times another number. If 21 is added to both numbers, then one of the new numbers becomes twice the other new number. What are the numbers?

Solution:

Let one of the positive numbers be x , then the other number will be $5x$. According to the question,

$$5x + 21 = 2(x + 21)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x + 21 = 2x + 42$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x - 2x = 42 - 21$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 21$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 7$$

One number = $x = 7$

Other number = $5x = 5 \times 7 = 35$. The two numbers are 7 and 35.

3. Sum of the digits of a two-digit number is 9. When we interchange the digits, it is found that the resulting new number is greater than the original number by 27. What is the two-digit number?

Solution:

Let the digit at tens place be x , then the digit at ones place will be $(9-x)$.

Original two-digit number = $10x + (9-x)$

After interchanging the digits, the new number = $10(9-x) + x$

According to the question,

$$10x + (9-x) + 27 = 10(9-x) + x$$

$$\Rightarrow 10x + 9 - x + 27 = 90 - 10x + x$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x + 36 = 90 - 9x$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x + 9x = 90 - 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 18x = 54$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3$$

$$\text{Original number} = 10x + (9-x) = (10 \times 3) + (9-3) = 30 + 6 = 36$$

Thus, the number is 36.

4. One of the two digits of a two-digit number is three times the other digit. If you interchange the digits of this two-digit number and add the resulting number to the original number, you get 88. What is the original number?

Solution:

Let the digit at tens place be x , then the digit at ones place will be $3x$.

$$\text{Original two-digit number} = 10x + 3x$$

$$\text{After interchanging the digits, the new number} = 30x + x$$

According to the question,

$$(30x + x) + (10x + 3x) = 88$$

$$\Rightarrow 31x + 13x = 88$$

$$\Rightarrow 44x = 88$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$\text{Original number} = 10x + 3x = 13x = 13 \times 2 = 26$$

5. Shobo's mother's present age is six times Shobo's present age. Shobo's age five years from now will be one-third of his mother's present age. What are their present ages?

Solution:

Let the present age of Shobo be x , then the age of her mother will be $6x$.

$$\text{Shobo's age after 5 years} = x + 5$$

According to the question,

$$(x + 5) = (1/3) \times 6x$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 5 = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - x = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5$$

Present age of Shobo = $x = 5$ years

The present age of Shobo's mother = $6x = 30$ years.

6. There is a narrow rectangular plot reserved for a school in Mahuli village. The length and breadth of the plot are in the ratio 11:4. At the rate ₹100 per metre, it will cost the village panchayat ₹75000 to fence the plot. What are the dimensions of the plot?

Solution:

Let the length of the rectangular plot be $11x$ and the breadth be $4x$.

Rate of fencing per metre = ₹100

Total cost of fencing = ₹75000

Perimeter of the plot = $2(l+b) = 2(11x + 4x) = 2 \times 15x = 30x$

Total amount of fencing = $(30x \times 100)$

According to the question,

$$(30x \times 100) = 75000$$

$$\Rightarrow 3000x = 75000$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 75000/3000$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 25$$

Length of the plot = $11x = 11 \times 25 = 275\text{m}$

Breadth of the plot = $4 \times 25 = 100\text{m}$.

7. Hasan buys two kinds of cloth materials for school uniforms; shirt material that costs him ₹50 per metre and trouser material that costs him ₹90 per metre. For every 3 meters of the shirt material, he buys 2 metres of the trouser material. He sells the materials at 12% and 10% profit, respectively. His total sale is ₹36,600. How much trouser material did he buy?

Solution:

Let $2x$ m of trouser material and $3x$ m of shirt material be bought by him

Selling price of shirt material per meter = ₹ 50 + 50 × (12/100) = ₹ 56

Selling price of trouser material per meter = ₹ 90 + 90 × (10/100) = ₹ 99

Total amount of sale = ₹36,600

According to the question,

$$(2x \times 99) + (3x \times 56) = 36600$$

$$\Rightarrow 198x + 168x = 36600$$

$$\Rightarrow 366x = 36600$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 36600/366$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 100$$

Total trouser material he bought = $2x = 2 \times 100 = 200$ m.

8. Half of a herd of deer is grazing in the field, and three-fourths of the remaining are playing nearby. The rest 9 are drinking water from the pond. Find the number of deer in the herd.

Solution:

Let the total number of deer be x .

Deer grazing in the field = $x/2$

Deer playing nearby = $x/2 \times \frac{3}{4} = 3x/8$

Deer drinking water = 9

According to the question,

$$x/2 + 3x/8 + 9 = x$$

$$(4x + 3x)/8 + 9 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x/8 + 9 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 7x/8 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow (8x - 7x)/8 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 9 \times 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 72$$

9. A grandfather is ten times older than his granddaughter. He is also 54 years older than her. Find their present ages.

Solution:

Let the age of granddaughter be x and grandfather be $10x$.

Also, he is 54 years older than her.

According to the question, $10x = x + 54$

$$\Rightarrow 10x - x = 54$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x = 54$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6$$

Age of grandfather = $10x = 10 \times 6 = 60$ years.

Age of granddaughter = $x = 6$ years.

10. Aman's age is three times his son's age. Ten years ago, he was five times his son's age. Find their present ages.

Solution:

Let the age of Aman's son be x , then the age of Aman will be $3x$.

According to the question,

$$5(x - 10) = 3x - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x - 50 = 3x - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x - 3x = -10 + 50$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 40$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 20$$

Aman's son age = $x = 20$ years

Aman age = $3x = 3 \times 20 = 60$ years