

2-1 Open Sentences and Solution Sets

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Using the replacement set $\{-1, 0, 1\}$, find the solution set for the open sentence $|2g + 3| = 4$.

Remember: *Open sentences* contain variables; they are neither true nor false. *Closed sentences* contain no variables; they are either true or false.

$|2g + 3| = 4$
Replacement
set: $\{-1, 0, 1\}$

$$\begin{array}{l} |2(-1) + 3| \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \\ |-2 + 3| \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \\ 1 = 4 \text{ False} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} |2(0) + 3| \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \\ |0 + 3| \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \\ 3 = 4 \text{ False} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} |2(1) + 3| \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \\ |2 + 3| \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \\ 5 = 4 \text{ False} \end{array}$$

Because each number in the set does not make the open sentence true, each number is not in the solution set. So the solution set is $\emptyset$.

Identify each as an *open sentence*, a *true sentence*, a *false sentence*, or an *expression*.

1. $11b$

2. $12 + d$

3. $t + 7.5 = 11.3$

4. $5y - 13 = -8$

5. $3(5) = 2^3 + 7$

6. $7(11) = 3^3 + 40$

7. $29 - 12 \div 4 = \sqrt{16}$

8. $4^2 - |-9| = 7^2 \div 7$

Using the replacement set $\{-2, 2\}$, find the solution set for each open sentence.

9. $3x + 1 = 7$

10. $2w - 6 = 4$

$$3(-2) + 1 \neq 7$$

$$-6 + 1 \neq 7$$

$$-5 = 7 \text{ False}$$

$$3(2) + 1 \neq 7$$

$$6 + 1 \neq 7$$

$$7 = 7 \text{ True}$$

$\{2\}$

11. $2b - 3 = -7$

12. $11 = 4b - 1$

13. $-9 = 13b - 8$

14. $9 = 2y + 5$

15. $3n - 4 = -6$

16. $-5 = 3p + 2$



Using the replacement set $\{-3, -2, 0, 1, 4\}$, find the solution set for each open sentence.

17. $5k + 1 = 21$

$$5(-3) + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 21$$

$$-14 = 21 \text{ False}$$

$$5(0) + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 21$$

$$1 = 21 \text{ False}$$

$$5(4) + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 21$$

$$21 = 21 \text{ True}$$

$$5(-2) + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 21$$

$$-9 = 21 \text{ False}$$

$$5(1) + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 21$$

$$6 = 21 \text{ False}$$

$\{4\}$

18. $7q - 2 = -16$

19. $-1 = 2m^2 - 3$

20. $3 = 11 - 2n^2$

21. $3j + 9.2 = 5.3j$

22. $5.8 - 2\ell = 3.8\ell$

Problem Solving

23. Lois runs 1 mile in 12 minutes. She runs no more than 6 miles each day. Write an algebraic expression to model how many minutes she runs each day. Tell what the variable represents, and write a domain set for that variable.

24. If the set of real numbers is the replacement set, what is the solution set for the open sentence $|5x + 11| = -8$? Explain.

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25. $29 + 38 + 51$

26. $25(11 \cdot 4)$

27. $24(23)$

28. $38(40)$