Reading and Writing Equations

Quick Review

➤ An equation is a statement that two expressions are equal.

2x + 1 is an algebraic expression.

7 is an expression.

2x + 1 = 7 is an equation.

This equation can be expressed in words as:

One more than double a number is seven.

- ➤ Here's how to write an equation from a statement.
 - 1. Choose a letter for the variable.
 - 2. Write an algebraic expression to represent the relationship described.
 - 3. Write an equals sign between the expression and the constant term.

Five more than a number is 20.

Let *p* represent the number.

Five more than p: p + 5

The equation is: p + 5 = 20

A number subtracted from ten is 4.

Let x represent the number.

x subtracted from ten: 10 - x

The equation is: 10 - x = 4

A number divided by two is 8.

Let *n* represent the number.

n divided by two: $\frac{n}{2}$

The equation is: $\frac{n}{2} = 8$

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The words "is" and 'equals" are written as an equals sign (=) in an equation.



1. Match each sentence with an equation. The first one is done for you.

A number divided by three is 4.

Twenty subtract a number equals 6. -

Nine subtract one-half a number is 6.

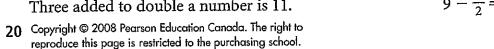
Three added to double a number is 11.

$$-20-n=6$$

$$2n + 3 = 11$$

$$\frac{n}{3}=4$$

$$9 - \frac{n}{2} = 6$$



	2.	Write an equation
6		Let <i>n</i> represent the
		a) Eight less than
		h) One-half a nu

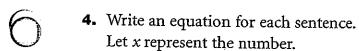
2.	Write an equation for each sentence.
	Let <i>n</i> represent the number.

a)	Eight less	than a	number is	s 2.	n –	=	
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a)
$$n-6=12$$

b)
$$\frac{x}{2} = 10$$

c)
$$2p + 10 = 14$$



a)	Three	more	than	а	number	is	12
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D)	Three	less	than	а	numl	ber	18	12	

a) The cost of 2 adult tickets at \$5 each and
$$n$$
 child tickets at \$3 each is \$25.

