

Chapter 6 Algebra, Graphs, and Functions

1. Variables x, y
2. Constants $3, -50$
3. Expressions $3x + 4$
4. Equations $3x + 4 = 13$

5. *Solutions to an equation* - a number or numbers that replace the variable to make the equation true

6. To *evaluate* an expression - substitute a given number for a variable and use the order of operations to find a value.

7. exponents and their base

$$2^4 \quad 2x^4$$

Exponents refer to only its base

Example:

$$-5^2 = -1 \cdot 5^2$$

$$(-5)^2 = -5 \cdot -5 = 25$$

$$\begin{aligned} & -x^2 + 2x \quad x = 3 \\ & - (3^2) + 2(3) \\ & - 9 + 6 = -3 \end{aligned}$$

Simplify:

$$2 + 3 \cdot 4$$

Order of Operations:

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$$6 - 2 \div 2 \times 4^2 (3^2 - 4)$$

$$6 - 2 \div 2 \times 16 (5)$$

$$6 - 1 \times 16 (5)$$

$$6 - 16 (5)$$

$$6 - 80 = -74$$

Simplify

$$1 - [30 \div (7 + 3(-4))] + 3^2$$

$$1 - (-6) + 9$$

$$7 + 9 = 16$$

Evaluate:

$$-x^2 + 4x + 16 \quad \text{for } x = 3$$

$$-3^2 + 4(3) + 16$$

$$-9 + 12 + 16$$

$$3 + 16 = 19$$

$$-3x^2 + 2xy - 2y^2 \text{ for } x = 2 \text{ and } y = 3$$

$$-3(2^2) + 2(2)(3) - 2(3^2)$$

$$-12 + 12 - 18$$

$$-18$$

$$3x^2 + \frac{2}{5}xy - \frac{1}{5}y^2 \text{ for } x = 2 \text{ and } y = 5$$

$$3(2^2) + \frac{2}{5}(2)(5) - \frac{1}{5}(5^2)$$

$$12 + 4 - 5 = 11$$

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Section 6-1 Word Problems

1. A ball is thrown upward off a bridge 40 feet above ground. Its height, in feet, above ground, t seconds after it is thrown, can be determined by the expression $-16t^2 + 30t + 40$. Find the height of the ball, above ground, 2 seconds after it is thrown.

$$-16(2)^2 + 30(2) + 40 = 36$$

2. The cost, in dollars, for Crescent City Tours to provide a tour for x people can be determined by the expression $220 + 2.75x$. Determine the cost for Crescent City Tours to provide a tour for 75 people.
3. The time, in minutes, needed to dry clothes outdoors on a line depends on the temperature, wind speed and the humidity (h). The time can be approximated by the expression $2h^2 + 80h + 40$, where h is humidity expressed as a decimal. Find the length of time required for clothing to dry if there is 60% humidity.
4. A typical car's stopping distance, in feet, on wet pavement can be approximated by the expression $0.08s^2 + 0.24s - 7.10$, where s is the speed of the car, in miles per hour (mph), before braking and $60 \leq s \leq 80$ miles per hour. Use the expression to approximate the car's stopping distance on wet pavement if the speed of the care before braking is 72 mph.