#### Solving One-Step Equations with Integers

| • | The goal is to isolate the | (Get x by itself) |
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| • | To do this, we use |      | , |
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| • | Inverse operations are |  |
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#### Solve. Check the answer.

1) 
$$p + 5 = -3$$

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$$-5 -5$$

$$p = -8$$

#### Check

$$p + 5 = -3$$
 $-8 + 5 = -3$ 
 $-3 = -3$ 

Subtract 5 to both sides to isolate the variable.

Substitute –8 for p in the original equation.

*True.* –8 is the solution to p + 5 = -3.

#### Solve. Check the answer.

2) 
$$y-9=-40$$
  
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 $+9$   $+9$   
 $y=-31$ 

Check

$$y - 9 = -40$$

$$-31 - 9 = -\frac{?}{40}$$

$$-40 = \frac{?}{40}$$

Add 9 to both sides to isolate the variable.

Substitute –31 for y in the original equation.

True. -31 is the solution to y - 9 = -40.

Solve. Check each answer.

3. 
$$\frac{b}{-5} = 6$$

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$$(-5) \quad \left(\frac{b}{-5}\right) = 6(-5)$$

$$b = -30$$

Multiply both sides by -5 to isolate the variable.

#### Check

$$\frac{b}{-5} = 6$$

$$\frac{-30}{-5} \stackrel{?}{=} 6$$

Substitute –30 for b in the original equation.

*True.* –30 is the solution to

$$\frac{b}{-5}=6.$$

#### Solve. Check each answer.

4. 
$$-400 = 8y$$

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$$-50 = y$$

Divide both sides by 8 to isolate the variable.

#### Check.

$$-400 = 8y$$

$$-400 = 8(-50)$$

$$-400 = -400$$

Substitute –50 for y in the original equation.

True. 
$$-50$$
 is the solution to  $-400 = 8y$ .