MATH TIIPS FOR PARENTS

## KEY CONCEPT OVERVIEW

In this topic, students apply their knowledge of solving equations to real-world situations. Using knowledge of angle relationships (e.g., a right angle has a measure of 90 degrees, and a straight angle has a measure of 180 degrees), students write and solve one-step equations to find the unknown measure of an angle. Given a real-world situation, students write an equation with two variables (e.g., $t=7 \mathrm{~m}$ ), analyze the relationship between the independent and dependent variables, create a table, and plot the points on the coordinate plane. To wrap up the module, students use their understanding of true and false number sentences to write and graph inequalities on a number line diagram.

You can expect to see homework that asks your child to do the following:

- Write an equation to solve for the unknown measure of an angle.
- Identify the independent and dependent variables in a context, write an equation, complete a table, and plot the points from the table on a graph.
- From a set of numbers, choose the number(s), if any, that make a given equation or inequality true.
- Given a phrase (e.g., at least 13), write and graph an inequality



## SAMPLE PROBLEMS

(From Lessons 30 and 32)

1. Write an equation that represents the following situation and solve.
$\angle A B C$ measures $90^{\circ}$. It has been split into two angles, $\angle A B D$ and $\angle D B C$. The measures of the two angles are in a ratio of $2: 1$. What is the measure of each angle?
Let $x^{\circ}$ represent the measure of $\angle D B C$.

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\begin{aligned}
x^{\circ}+2 x^{\circ} & =90^{\circ} \\
3 x^{\circ} & =90^{\circ} \\
3 x^{\circ} \div 3 & =90^{\circ} \div 3 \\
x^{\circ} & =30^{\circ}
\end{aligned}
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The smaller angle ( $\angle D B C$ ) measures $30^{\circ}$. Since the ratio of angle measures is 2:1, the measure of the larger angle ( $\angle A B D)$ has a value of $60^{\circ}$ because $30 \times 2=60$.
2. Each week, Quentin saves $\$ 30$. Write an equation that represents the relationship between the number of weeks that Quentin has saved his money, $w$, and the total amount of money in dollars he has saved, $s$. Then, name the independent and dependent variables. Create a table and a graph that show the total amount of money Quentin has saved from week 1 through week 8. Finally, write a sentence that explains this relationship.
$s=30 w$
The amount of money saved in dollars, $s$, is the dependent variable, and the number of weeks, $w$, is the independent variable.

| Number of Weeks | Total Saved (\$) |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 30 |
| 2 | 60 |
| 3 | 90 |
| 4 | 120 |
| 5 | 150 |
| 6 | 180 |
| 7 | 210 |
| 8 | 240 |



Therefore, the amount of money Quentin has saved increases by $\$ 30$ for every week he saves money.
Additional sample problems with detailed answer steps are found in the Eureka Math Homework Helpers books. Learn more at GreatMinds.org.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP AT HOME

You can help at home in many ways. Here are some tips to help you get started.

- Encourage your child to identify which number(s) make each inequality true. Given the set of numbers $\{3,4,9,12,24\}$, choose the number(s) that make each inequality true.
a. $m+7<12$ (solution: $\{3,4\}$ )
b. $\quad t-2 \leq 9$ (solution: $\{3,4,9\}$ )
c. $\quad \frac{k}{3} \geq 2.25$ (solution: $\{9,12,24\}$ )
- With your child, write three equations that have a solution of $x=12$.
(Possible equations: $24=2 x, 8=x-4$, and $18=x+6$.) Then, each of you create an equation for which the solution is a positive whole number between 50 and 100. Exchange equations with your child. Solve each other's equations, and explain why the solution is correct.


## TERMS

Dependent variable: A variable whose value depends on the value of another variable. For example, if $x$ represents the number of hours spent studying and $y$ represents the test score, the value of $y$ might change according to the value of $x$.
Independent variable: A variable (e.g., age) whose value is not affected by the values of other variables.

MODELS $\qquad$

## Graphing Inequalities



