

3.3: Inverse Operations – Fractions (Dividing)

Skill 4: Inverse Operations – Fractions (Dividing)

In the following equations, do the INVERSE or OPPOSITE operation.

Example

$$\frac{x}{4} = 2$$

Steps

1) Solve for the variable by multiplying by the number in the denominator.

2) Multiply to get the variable by itself.

Examples

1. Find the value of the variable:

a) $\frac{x}{6} = 2$

b) $-\frac{x}{4} = -3$

c) $\frac{3x}{4} = -9$

d) $-\frac{5}{2}x = 25$

Skill 5: Solving First Degree Equations with Fractional Coefficients

In the following equations, do the INVERSE or OPPOSITE operation.

Examples

1. Find the value of the variable:

$$\text{a) } \frac{w}{6} + 3 = -22$$

$$\text{b) } 5 = -\frac{y}{4} - 6$$

$$\text{c) } \frac{16}{5}y + 2 = 34$$

$$\text{d) } -80 = -\frac{2}{3}x - 6$$

$$\text{e) } 1 - \frac{y}{4} = 11$$

$$\text{f) } \frac{2y}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = -2$$

Homework: p. 294 #3 (odd), p. 295 #5 (odd), p. 296 #14, 15 (odd)