

Multiplication and Division Involving Variables

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- The cost of a jar of candies is \$8.
Mr. Marcus bought a few jars.
- Steven rented a car for a few days and paid \$256.
- Cathy bought some shirts at the price of \$36 each.
- Kelly distributed 48 pens among each desk equally.

Solution:

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2. Find the value of each of the expressions.

- $30 + (52 - 8) \div 11$
- $125 - 4n$ if $n = 15$
- $(3 + a) + (126 \div b)$ if $a = 8$ and $b = 6$
- $m \div 5 + 7n$ if $m = 100$ and $n = 4$
- $14 + m \div 2b$ if $m = 60$ and $b = 6$

Solution:

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- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

3. Use the table to write an algebraic expression for each of the following.

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- Kevin spent x dollars to buy French fries and distributed it to 5 of his friends. How much money did he spend on each of his friend?

Name	Prices (\$)
Milkshake	3
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French Fries	3
Apple Pie	4
Sandwich	5

Solution:

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- $(100 - 2 \times 10 - 3 \times 1) \div m$
- $m \div (100 - 2 \times 10 + 3 \times 1)$
- $(100 + 2 \times 10 + 3 \times 1) \div m$

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- $2j$ (j = Jim's height)
- $8j$ (j = no. of jars bought)
- $256 \div c$ (c = no. of days Steven rented a car)
- $36s$ (s = no. of shirts bought)
- $48 \div d$ (d = no. of desks which got pens)

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- 34
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- 194

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a. $3t + 6$

b. $3 \times 5 + 5y$

c. $x \div 5$

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