

MATH COURSE I

Expressions

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VOCABULARY

- variable: a symbol used to represent a quantity about that can change
- constant: a value that does not change
- algebraic expression: an expression that contains at least one variable
- numerical expression: an expression that contains only numbers and operations
- evaluate: to find the value of a numerical or algebraic equation

Words in Math

+ : addition, added to, plus, the sum of, more than, increased by

- : subtraction, minus, less than, take away, the difference of, subtracted from, decreased by

x : multiplication, groups of, product, multiplied by, times

÷ : division, divide by, quotient, the ratio of

Example

Evaluate an algebraic expression.

Problem: $5 + y$

y	$5 + y$
8	$5 + 8 = 13$
9	$5 +$
10	$5 +$

Example Using a Table

A rectangle is 4 units wide.
What is the area of the
rectangle if it is 3, 4, or 5
units long.

Area = length x width

l	w	l x w
3	4	12
4	4	
5	4	

Write an Expression

Write an expression for the **area** of a figure.

Example: A triangle has a base of 8 inches. Create a table that shows the area of the triangle for different heights. Write the expression.

b	h	Expression /Area
8		$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 8 \cdot$
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$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}bh$$

Practice Evaluate Expressions

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Writing Expressions

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Practice Writing Expressions

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