Unit: Linear Equations Student Handout 1

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SIMPLIFYING EXPRESSIONS

Mrs. Thornberry wrote three examples of expressions on the board as shown. Using the examples, write your prediction of what makes something a mathematical expression in the space below her examples.

-25

30a + 8

$$-4.2x + 9y - 13x$$

EXPRESSION	A mathematical phrase that can contain,, and, [like addition and subtraction]. Will and leave the second subtraction of the second subtraction of the second subtraction.			
	Will not have ansign.			
TERM	A term is a constant or a	in an expression.		
IERIVI	• Separated by and signs.			
COEFFICIENT	• The number in front of a			
LIKE TERMS	Must have both the same base (or exponent (or).) and the same		

Use the definitions above to help you complete the following.

1. Give an example of an expression with four terms. 2. List all the terms in the expression below.

6x - 10y + 13 + 5z

3. List the coefficients in the expression below.

14x - 7x + 1 - 2x

4. Give an example of a like term for each of the following:

a. 14y _____ b. -9b ____ c. 200 ____

d. h²

5. Circle the letter of any card that gives an example of like terms.

Α.

D.

E.

 $\frac{1}{4}$ c and -9c

2.2n and 2.2

6y and 6x

 $5d^2$ and d^2

30 and -25

SIMPLIFYING EXPRESSIONS

- We can simplify algebraic expressions by combining
- Be careful when you are combining terms to check the _____
 that is in front of the term.

A group of friends went to the movies and bought the tickets (t), drinks (d) and popcorn (p) shown.

• Use the given variables to write an expression representing the individual items purchased:





In 6-11, simplify each expression by combining like terms.

6.
$$13r + 5r + 2n$$
 7. $-k + 16 - 12k$ 8. $7m + 19g - 10m + 6g$ 9. $-18.7b + 4b - 0.3b$ 10. $\frac{1}{2}b - 9 + 8b - 7 - b + 14$ 11. $-1.2k + 10.9 - g + 0.5g + 0.3k$

Apply your knowledge of simplifying expressions to answer each of the following.

12. Simplify an expression for the perimeter of the rectangle. 17.4x - 0.8 cm

Perimeter:

6x cm

13. Darci simplified the expression as shown below. Explain Darci's mistake and give the correct simplified expression.

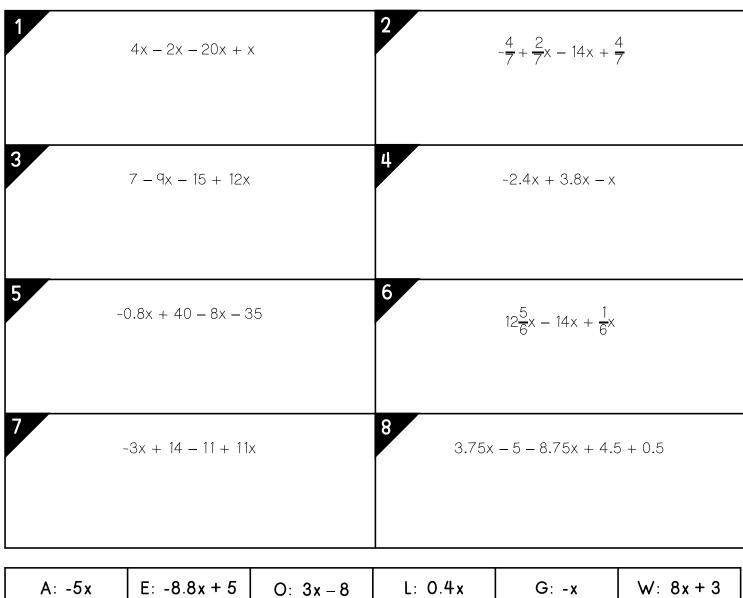
$$\frac{1}{4}m + 8 + \frac{1}{4}m + n - 4n$$

$$8\frac{1}{2}m - 3n$$

Summarize today's lesson:

SIMPLIFYING EXPRESSIONS

Match each expression with the correct simplified expression. Use the corresponding letter with each solution to help you solve the riddle.



A: -5x	E: -8.8x + 5	O: 3x – 8	L: 0.4x	G: -x	W: 8x + 3
R: -17x	B: -13 5 x	M: -8x	U: −2 1 / ₆ x	D: -13 1 x	N: -5.5x

WHAT IS A BIRD'S FAVORITE SUBJECT?

3 7 4 6 5 2 1 8