

2.1 Simplify Each Side of An Equation

Eliminate Parentheses - 1st and simplify

***Look at what is directly in front of the parentheses

1. $+$ → drop () and keep signs
* distribute 1
 $3 + (x + 2)$
 $3 + x + 2$
2. $-$ → drop () and change each sign inside the ()
* distribute -1
 $3 - (x + 2)$
 $3 - x - 2$
3. $\#$ → distribute
 $3(x + 2)$
 $3(x) + 3(2)$
 $3x + 6$

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Examples:

1. $x + (x - 6) = 20$

$$x + x - 6 = 20$$

$$2x - 6 = 20$$

$$2x = 20 + 6$$

$$2x = 26$$

$$x = \frac{26}{2}$$

$$x = 13$$

check:

$$x + (x - 6) = 20$$

$$13 + (13 - 6) = 20$$

True

Change signs
Bie...

Proof...
Gone...

2. $7r - (6r - 5) = 7$

$$7r - 6r + 5 = 7$$

$$r + 5 = 7$$

$$r = 7 - 5$$

$$r = 2$$

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3. $8(c + 2) = 32$

$$8(c) + 8(2) = 32$$

$$8c + 16 = 32$$

$$8c = 32 - 16$$

$$8c = 16$$

$$c = \frac{16}{8}$$

$$c = 2$$

4. $x - (43 - x) = 5$

$$x - 43 + x = 5$$

$$2x - 43 = 5$$

$$2x = 5 + 43$$

$$2x = 48$$

$$x = \frac{48}{2}$$

$$x = 24$$

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5. $5 - 2(x + 3) = 11$

$$5 - 2(x) - 2(3) = 11$$

$$5 - 2x - 6 = 11$$

$$-2x - 1 = 11$$

$$-2x = 11 + 1$$

$$-2x = 12$$

$$x = \frac{12}{-2}$$

$$x = -6$$

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