## ALGEBRA

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1) Work out and simplify:

(2 points)

a) 
$$\frac{2}{5} \times \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}\right) =$$

b) 
$$\frac{5}{6} \div \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} =$$

c) 
$$\frac{3}{11} \times \frac{22}{5} - \frac{7}{5} =$$

2) Solve and check:

a) 
$$(6x-1)-(4x+5)=2x-3$$

b) 
$$3(2x-1)-(3x+2)=4$$

c) 
$$3x+2=5x-1$$

- 3) Three times a number minus six is equal to twice the number increased by two. What is the number? (1 point)
- 4) A kilogram of cherries costs twice a kilogram of apples. If I have paid €15 for three kilos of cherries and four kilos of apples. How much does each cost?



(1.5 points)

- 5) Two consecutive numbers have a sum of 231. What are the numbers? (1 point)
- 6) A rectangle is 4 times as long as it is wide. It has a perimeter of 420 cm. What are the dimensions of the rectangle? (1.5 points)

## **SOLUTIONS**

1) Work out and simplify:

a) 
$$\frac{2}{5} \times \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3+1}{6} = \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{4}{6} = \frac{8}{30} = \frac{4}{15}$$

b)

$$\frac{5}{6} \div \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{6} \div \frac{4 - 9}{6} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{6} \div \frac{-5}{6} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5 \times 6}{-5 \times 6} + \frac{1}{2} = -1 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-2 + 1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

c) 
$$\frac{3}{11} \times \frac{22}{5} - \frac{7}{5} = \frac{3 \times 22}{11 \times 5} - \frac{7}{5} = \frac{6}{5} - \frac{7}{5} = -\frac{1}{5}$$

2) Solve and check:

a) 
$$(6x-1)-(4x+5)=2x-3 \rightarrow 6x-1-4x-5=2x-3 \rightarrow 2x-6=2x-3$$
  
 $2x-2x=-3+6 \rightarrow 0x=3$  NO SOLUTION

b) 
$$3(2x-1)-(3x+2)=4 \rightarrow 6x-3-3x-2=4 \rightarrow 6x-3x=4+3+2$$
  
  $3x=9 \rightarrow x=3$   
 Checking:  $3(2\cdot 3-1)-(3\cdot 3+2)=4 \rightarrow 3\cdot 5-11=4 \rightarrow 4=4$ 

c) 
$$3x + 2 = 5x - 1 \rightarrow 2 + 1 = 5x - 3x \rightarrow 3 = 2x \rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2}$$
  
Checking:  $3 \cdot \frac{3}{2} + 2 = 5 \cdot \frac{3}{2} - 1 \rightarrow \frac{9}{2} + 2 = \frac{15}{2} - 1 \rightarrow \frac{9 + 4}{2} = \frac{15 - 2}{2} \rightarrow \frac{13}{2} = \frac{13}{2}$ 

3) Three times a number minus six is equal to twice the number increased by two. What is the number?

Number - x 
$$3x - 6 = 2x + 2 \rightarrow 3x - 2x = 2 + 6$$
  
  $x = 8$ 

The number is 8

4) A kilogram of cherries costs twice a kilogram of apples. If I have paid €15 for three kilos of cherries and four kilos of apples. How much does each cost?



x - price of 1 kilo of apples

2x - price of 1 kilo of cherries

$$3(2x)+4x=15 \rightarrow 6x+4x=15 \rightarrow 10x=15 \rightarrow x=1.5$$

1 kilo of apples costs 1.5€

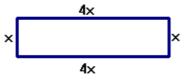
1 kilo of cherries costs  $2 \times 1.5 = 3 \in$ 

5) Two consecutive numbers have a sum of 231. What are the numbers? Consecutive numbers:  $\times$ ,  $\times$ +1

$$x + x + 1 = 231 \rightarrow 2x = 231 - 1 \rightarrow 2x = 230 \rightarrow x = 230 \div 2 = 115$$

The consecutive numbers are 115 and 116

6) A rectangle is 4 times as long as it is wide. It has a perimeter of 420 cm. What are the dimensions of the rectangle?



Perimeter: 
$$x + x + 4x + 4x = 420$$
  
 $10x = 420 \rightarrow x = 420 \div 10 \rightarrow x = 42$ 

Wide of the rectangle: 42 cm

Long of the rectangle:  $4 \times 42 = 168$  cm