## Math 9

## 6.1 - Solving Equations using Inverse Operations

## What is an EQUATION?

An EQUATION is a mathematical model that represents a problem from Science, Engineering, Business, Medical, etc.
It usually includes an UNKNOWN quantity that we are trying to FIND or SOLVE for.
We use VARIABLES to represent the UNKNOWN quantities in equations.

Ex. 1: "I'm thinking of a number. After I have added 5 to my number, its value increases to 27. Determine the value of the number that I am thinking of."

The unknown quantity is:

The problem stated in the LANGUAGE of Mathematics is:

The task is:

Finding the SOLUTION using INVERSE operations:
Finding the solution, algebraically:

Ex. 2: "I'm thinking of a number. After I have multiplied my number by -3, its new value is -6.3. Determine the value of the number that I was thinking of."

Ex. 3: "I'm thinking of a number. After I have divided my numebr by -4, its value changes to 8 . Determine the value of the number that I was thinking of."

## Inverse Operations Model

## Algebraically

Ex. 4: "I'm thinking of a number. I first multiply my number by 3 and then subtract 5. Its new value is 7. Determine the value of the number that I was thinking of."

## Inverse Operations Model

## Algebraically

Ex. 5: Solve the following equations, algebraically.
a. $5 x+7=42$
b. $3 x-8=-14$
c. $5-2 x=-1$
d. $7-8 y=-1$
e. $10-6 b=22$
f. $5+9 f=-4$
g. $\frac{x}{5}+3=9$
h. $\frac{h}{3}-7=11$
i. $4-\frac{w}{2}=7$
j. $2(m+4)=10$
k. $3(5+x)=36$
I. $-2(x-5)=4$
m. $-2(2-y)=2.5$
n. $-5(4-x)=4.7$
o. $-(v-7)=-7.7$

