# Activity Start Thinking! For use before Activity 3.2

Many common words have mathematical meanings. What operation do you think of when you hear these phrases?

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Think of some other everyday phrases that have mathematical meanings. Try to write a phrase for each operation: addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.



Evaluate the expression when x = 2 and y = 6.

1. 
$$x + 8$$

**2.** 
$$12 - y$$

$$\mathbf{3.} \ x \bullet y$$

**4.** 
$$x + y$$

**5.** 
$$\frac{y}{x}$$

**6.** 
$$y - x$$

# Start Thinking! For use before Lesson 3.2

Explain what this sentence means:

"To get to school, Susie walks 5 blocks less than Bill."

Can the sentence be written mathematically?

If you knew how many blocks Bill walked to school, how would you figure out how many blocks Susie walked?



## Write the phrase as an expression.

- **1.** the sum of 12 and a number t
- **2.** a number *h* times 8
- **3.** the difference of 7 and a number f
- **4.** 11 decreased by a number w
- **5.** a number n divided by 2
- **6.** twice a number *p*

## 3.2 Practice A

### Write the phrase as an expression.

- **1.** 6 more than 4
- **3.** 3 times a number x
- **5.** the product of 8 and a number p
- **7.** a number y decreased by 10
- **9.** the total of a number c and 3
- **11.** Describe and correct the error in writing the phrase as an expression.

- **2.** 7 less than 15
- **4.** the quotient of a number *m* and 4
- **6.** twice a number x
- **8.** 7 fewer than a number k
- **10.** the difference of 11 and a number d
- $\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline & 12 \text{ less than a number } x\\ & 12 x \end{array}$

Write two phrases for the expression.

- **12.** x + 8
- **13.** 20 n

Write the phrase as an expression. Then evaluate when x = 2 and y = 10.

- **14.** twelve more than the product of 5 and a number x
- **15.** the quotient of a number x and the sum of 3 and 7
- **16.** 17 less than the quotient of 200 and a number y
- **17.** 15 decreased by the product of a number *x* and 4
- **18.** You eat five slices of bread. Your friend eats two slices fewer than you eat. Write an expression that describes the number of slices your friend eats.
- **19.** Your uncle is 2 years older than 3 times your age.
  - **a.** You are x years old. Write an expression to describe your uncle's age.
  - **b.** You are 12 years old. How old is your uncle?

## 3.2 Practice B

Write the phrase as an expression.

- **1.** 8 more than 5
- **3.** 6 times a number *y*
- **5.** the sum of 8 and a number e
- **7.** a number *x* decreased by 13
- **9.** the total of a number *f* and 3

- **2.** 11 fewer than 24
- **4.** the quotient of a number *n* and 7
- **6.** twice a number *n* plus 6
- **8.** 7 less than 3 times a number *m*
- **10.** the difference of 25 and a number w
- **11.** You have two cats. Each cat has a litter of 6 kittens. Write an expression that describes the total number of cats and kittens you have.
- **12.** The total of your dinner bill plus tip is \$16.00. You left a \$3.20 tip. Write an expression to describe this situation.

Write the phrase as an expression. Then evaluate when x = 8 and y = 20.

- **13.** fifteen more than the quotient of 24 and a number x
- **14.** the sum of a number y and 30, all divided by 5
- **15.** the product of 2 and the sum of a number x and 9
- **16.** In the sequence, 2, 5, 8, 11, ..., which expression describes the number after x? Explain your choice.
  - **A.** x + 3
- **B.** x 3
- **C.** 3*x*
- **D.**  $x \div 3$

- **17.** You are baking cookies.
  - **a.** You make one and one-half batches of cookies. How many eggs have you used?
  - **b.** Each batch makes 24 cookies. You make *x* batches of cookies, but eat 5 cookies as you are baking. Write an expression for the number of cookies that you have.

- Recipe

  2 cups sugar  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups flour

  2 eggs
- **c.** You make 3 batches of cookies to make bags for a sale. You put 5 cookies in each bag. Given 14(5) + 2 = 3(24), what do the terms represent?

## **Enrichment and Extension**

## **Math Joke**

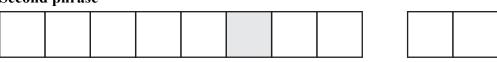
Fill in the squares with the missing phrases.

**1.** Fifteen \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_ 15 and 5 is 5.

First phrase

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Second phrase



**2.** Thirty \_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_ 18 and 2 is 46.

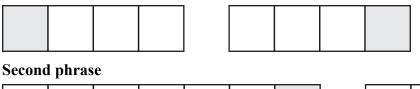
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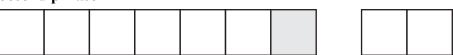
**Second phrase** 

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**3.** Six \_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_ 8 and 3 is 18.

First phrase





Rearrange the shaded letters to answer the following question.

What did the zero say to the eight?





## What's A Mouse's Favorite Television Show?

Write the letter of each answer in the box containing the exercise number.

Write the phrase as an expression.

- **1.** 4.2 less than 7.6
- **2.**  $27\frac{1}{5}$  divided by 9
- 3. the total of  $7\frac{1}{6}$  and  $13\frac{1}{8}$
- **4.** 3 times a number x
- **5.**  $10\frac{1}{2}$  subtracted from a number x
- **6.** the quotient of 17 and a number x
- 7. the difference of a number x and 6.4
- **8.** a number x squared
- **9.** 15.6 times a number *x*

Write the phrase as an expression. Then, evaluate the expression when x = 4 and y = 24.

- **10.** the sum of a number x and  $19\frac{3}{5}$
- **11.** a number x multiplied by 14.2
- **12.** 5 less than a quotient of a number y and 2
- **13.** the sum of a number x and 8, all divided by 3
- **14.** 8.6 more than the product of 3 and a number y
- **15.** Your friend has read 6 more than twice as many pages as your sister has read. Let x be the number of pages your sister has read. Write an expression for the number of pages your friend has read.

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### **Answers**

**R.** 
$$7\frac{1}{6} + 13\frac{1}{8}$$
 **E.** 15.6x

$$\mathbf{U}. \quad x^2$$

**F.** 
$$7.6 - 4.2$$
 **S.**  $x - 6.4$ 

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**E.** 17 ÷ 
$$x$$
 **A.**  $x - 10\frac{1}{3}$ 

**U.** 
$$27\frac{1}{5} \div 9$$
 **O.**  $23\frac{3}{5}$ 

**O.** 
$$23\frac{3}{5}$$

**Q.** 
$$2x + 6$$
 **O.** 56.8