Expressions and Variables

Write an expression. Find the value.

- 1. Mark had 6 books. He bought 5 more.
- 2. Sara baked 9 cupcakes. Her sister ate 3 of them.
- 3. Lillian got 3 letters in the mail. The next day she got 7 more.
- 4. Luke had 15 grapes in his lunch. He gave away 4 of them.

Write an expression with a variable. Explain what the variable represents.

- 5. TJ had 14 pet fish. He bought some more.
- 6. Alex picked 25 apples. He ate some.

Find the value of the expression.

7.
$$n + 37$$
 if n is 16

8.
$$234 + n$$
 if n is 66

For 9–10, choose the expression for each situation.

9. Joy rode down 5 floors on the 10. Kim ate 3 of the 12 cookies, and elevator, and then rode up 3 floors.

A
$$f - 5 + 3$$

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$$f - 5 + 3$$
 C $5 + 3 = f$

F
$$3 + 12 + n$$
 H $12 - n - 3$

B
$$f + 5 - 3$$
 D $f - 5 = 3$

D
$$f - 5 = 3$$

G
$$12 - 3 + n$$
 J $9 + 3 + n$

$$J 9 + 3 + n$$

Mixed Review

- 11. Use mental math to find the sum. 10 + 60 + 200 + 1,000
- 12. Write a number between 1.0 and 1.4

Write Equations

Write an equation for each. Explain what the variable represents.

- 1. Rick wants to read 52 books this year. He has already read 24 books. How many more should he read?
- 2. Jon saw 24 animals at the pet store. Fourteen were dogs and 3 were hamsters. How many other kinds of animals did he see?

- 3. There were 38 students in the choir. After 3 of the students moved away and 10 new students joined, how many students were in choir?
- 4. The buses departed with 39 students aboard. There were 32 students who waited for another bus. How many students are riding the buses?
- 5. Seven people joined the soccer team. The rest joined the softball team. There were 20 people that joined either the soccer or softball team. How many people joined the softball team?
- 6. The theater group performed on Friday and Saturday nights. Three hundred and twenty four attended on Friday, and 33 more attended on Saturday. How many people saw the show?

On a separate sheet of paper, write a problem for the equation. State what the variable *n* represents.

7.
$$54 - n = 24$$

8.
$$n + 20 = 70$$

9.
$$5 + n - 3 = 10$$

10.
$$4 + n = 12$$

11.
$$80 + n = 100$$

12.
$$n + 36 = 80$$

Mixed Review

19.
$$45 - 34$$

17.
$$34 - 23$$
 ____ 18. $15 + 73$ ___ 19. $45 - 34$ ___ 20. $23 + 32$