Lesson 5.2 Parts of an Expression

A **variable** is a symbol, usually a letter of the alphabet, that stands for an unknown number, or quantity. a = variable

An **algebraic expression** is a combination of numbers, variables, and at least one operation. x + 13

A **term** is a number, variable, product, or quotient in an algebraic expression. In 3a + 5, 3a is a term and 5 also is a term.

The term 3a means $3 \times a$. The number 3 is the coefficient of a. A **coefficient** is a number that multiplies a variable. In the expression x + 5, the coefficient of x is understood to be 1.

An **equation** is a sentence that contains an equal sign. x + 13 = 25

Identify each of the following as an expression or an equation.

1. 3 + x _____

2. x - 7 = 15 _____ b - 45 _____

For each term below, identify the coefficient and the variable.

3. 3x coefficient variable

4y coefficient variable

z coefficient variable

5n coefficient variable

7b coefficient _____ variable _____

m coefficient _____ variable _____

r coefficient _____ variable _____

6d coefficient variable

Translate each phrase into an algebraic expression.

7. five more than *n*

eight decreased by x _____

8. *x* added to seven _____

the product of *n* and 11 _____

Translate each sentence into an equation.

Six times a number is 18.

Seventy less a number is 29.

Eight divided by a number is 2.

The product of 7 and 12 is 84.

Write the following expressions in words.

11.
$$6 - n = 3$$

12.
$$5 \times 13 = 65$$

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Translate the words to symbols.

1) A number minus 18

1) _____

2) A number decreased by 16

2) _____

3) 9 less than a number

3) _____

4) Six increased by a number

4) _____

5) Six more than twice a number

5) _____

6) The sum of 7 and a number

6) _____

7) 8 divided by a number

7) _____

8) The product of a number and thirteen

8) _____

9) The sum of a number and 10

9) _____

10) The quotient of a number and 12

10) _____

11) The product of a number and 3, minus 2

11) _____

Translate the symbols to words.

$$14) 5n + 4$$

$$16) 2n + 6$$

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ANSWER KEY (<u>Back Side</u>)
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- 9) The sum of a number and 10
- 10) The quotient of a number and 12
- 11) The product of a number and 3, minus 2
- Translate the symbols to words. These are sample answers. Your answers may vary.

12) x + 5

12) The sum of a number and five

13) 5x

13) The product of five and a number

14) 5n + 4

14) The sum of the product of five and a number and four

15) n – 6

15) Six less than a number.

16) 2n + 6

16) The product of 2 and a number increased by 6

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2) **x - 16**

6) 7 + n

7) $\frac{8}{n}$

8) **13n**

9) **n + 10**

11) **3n - 2**

10) $\frac{n}{12}$

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I.	expression	equation	expression
2.	equation	expression	equation
3.	3; x	4; y	
4.	1; z	5; n	
5.	7; b	l; m	
6.	1; r	6; d	
7.	n+5	8 - x	
8.	x + 7	$n \times 11$	
9.	6n = 18	70 - n = 29	

11. six decreased by a number is equal to three

12. the product of five and thirteen is equal to 65