

2. Algebra

Starter Quiz ·

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1. Solve  $5x-7=18$ .  
  
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2. Solve  $x+y=12$  and  $3x+2y=31$ . Find  $x$ .  
  
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3. For  $a=5, d=3$ , find  $u_8$ .  
  
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4. Find the coefficient of  $x$  in  $3x+4x$ .  
  
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5. Find the coefficient of  $x$  in  $3(x+2)-x$ .  
  
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6. Every quadratic function on all real numbers has an inverse function.  
  
☐ True      ☐ False
7. The graph  $y=f(x+3)$  moves three units to the right.  
  
☐ True      ☐ False
8. The tangent is perpendicular to the radius, so its gradient is the negative reciprocal of the radius gradient.  
  
☐ True      ☐ False
9. A dashed inequality boundary includes every point on its line.  
  
☐ True      ☐ False
10. Cancelling a denominator factor makes its excluded input valid.  
  
☐ True      ☐ False

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Answers ·

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1. **5.0**  
  
Add 7 then divide by 5:  $x=(18+7)/5=5$ .
2. **7.0**  
  
Subtract twice  $x+y=12$  from  $3x+2y=31$ :  $x=31-24=7$ .
3. **26.0**  
  
 $u_8=5+(8-1)\times 3=26$ .
4. **7.0**  
  
Add coefficients  $3+4$ .
5. **2.0**  
  
Expand then collect:  $3x-x=2x$ .
6. **False**  
  
A quadratic on all real numbers is many-to-one ( $f(1)=f(-1)$  for  $x^2$ ), so its domain must be restricted first.
7. **False**  
  
 $f(x+3)$  moves the graph three units to the left.
8. **True**  
  
True. The tangent is perpendicular to the radius, so its gradient is the negative reciprocal of the radius gradient.
9. **False**  
  
A dashed boundary is not included; a solid boundary is included.
10. **False**  
  
An input that makes the original denominator zero stays excluded, even after cancelling.