

Read, Write & Evaluate Algebraic Expressions



- How would I read this algebraic expression?

$$x + 4$$

- How would I explain the parts that make up this algebraic expression?

Two basketball players are having a free throw competition.

- How could I use the expression $x + 4$ to compare or relate the number of baskets scored by each player?



- What would I be doing if I were to evaluate this expression?

$$x + 4$$

- How would I demonstrate evaluating this expression using the values 1, 8 and 15?



- How would I describe the terms in this algebraic expression?

- How would I read this algebraic expression?

- How would I explain the order of the math being performed in this expression?

$$5n + 7$$

A classmate described the order of the math in this expression as...
adding 7, then multiplying by 5.

- How would I explain to my classmate why adding 7, then multiplying by 5, is incorrect?

$$5n + 7$$

- How would I demonstrate evaluating this expression by replacing n with 4?

- How would I explain why changing the order of the terms will not change the value of the expression?

$$5n + 7$$

$$7 + 5n$$



$2ab + 6k$
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- How would I read this algebraic expression?
- Can I think of any other way to write this algebraic expression?
- How would I demonstrate evaluating this expression by replacing x with 18?
- Using the previous examples, how would I describe an algebraic expression?

$$\frac{x}{2}$$

A self-moving and storage company rents household moving trucks. The rental cost of a truck is \$95 per day plus an additional \$8 per hour.

- How would I explain writing an algebraic expression to represent the rental costs?



A family rented a moving truck and kept it for 6 hours.

- How would I explain and demonstrate calculating the cost of renting the truck?

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Which statements do I feel confident explaining and demonstrating?

Which statements do I not feel confident explaining and demonstrating?

- ✓ I can identify terms in an algebraic expression
- ✓ I can use the words... numerical coefficient, variable and constant to describe terms in an algebraic expression
- ✓ I can read an algebraic expression by describing the math being performed
- ✓ I can explain the order of the math being performed in an algebraic expression
- ✓ I can summarize my steps for evaluating an algebraic expression
- ✓ I can use BEDMAS to explain how I would evaluate an algebraic expression