

Absolute Value Equations

Directions: Solve each equation.

1. $|x| = 4$

$$x = 4$$

$$x = -4$$

2. $|v + 2| = 6$

$$v + 2 = 6$$
$$-2 \quad -2$$

$$v = 4$$

$$v + 2 = -6$$
$$-2 \quad -2$$

$$v = -8$$

3. $|x| - 10 = -5$

$$+10 \quad +10$$

$$|x| = 5$$

$$x = 5$$

$$x = -5$$

$$4. \frac{-3|x|}{-3} = \frac{6}{-3}$$

$$|x| = -2$$

No solution

$$5. |m-2| = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} m-2=0 \\ +2 \quad +2 \end{array}$$

m = 2

$$6. \frac{-2|v-7|}{-2} = \frac{-20}{-2}$$

$$|v-7| = 10$$

$$\begin{array}{r} v-7=10 \\ +7 \quad +7 \end{array}$$

v = 17

$$\begin{array}{r} v-7=-10 \\ +7 \quad +7 \end{array}$$

v = -3

$$7. -3|5x-12|+6=3$$

$$-6 -6$$

$$\frac{-3|5x-12|}{-3} = \frac{-3}{-3}$$

$$|5x-12|=1$$

$$5x-12=1$$
$$+12 +12$$

$$\frac{5x}{5} = \frac{13}{5}$$

$$x = 13/5$$

$$5x-12=-1$$
$$+12 +12$$

$$\frac{5x}{5} = \frac{11}{5}$$

$$x = 11/5$$

$$8. 4-3|k+2|=-14$$

$$-4 \quad -4$$

$$\frac{-3|k+2|}{-3} = \frac{-18}{-3}$$

$$|k+2|=6$$

$$k+2=6$$
$$-2 -2$$

$$k=4$$

$$k+2=-6$$
$$-2 -2$$

$$k=-8$$

$$9. \left| \frac{4}{3} - x \right| = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$5 \cdot \frac{4}{3} - \frac{x \cdot 15}{1 \cdot 5} = \frac{2 \cdot 3}{5 \cdot 3}$$

$$5 \cdot \frac{4}{3} - \frac{x \cdot 15}{1 \cdot 5} = -\frac{2 \cdot 3}{5 \cdot 3}$$

$$LCD = 15$$

$$3: 3, 6, 9, 12, \underline{15}$$

$$5: 5, 10, \underline{15}, 20, 25$$

$$LCD = 15$$

$$\frac{20}{15} - \frac{15x}{15} = \frac{-6}{15}$$

$$\frac{20}{15} - \frac{15x}{15} = \frac{6}{15}$$

$$20 - 15x = 6$$

$$-20 \quad -20$$

$$-15x = -14$$

$$\frac{-15x}{-15} = \frac{-14}{-15}$$

$$x = \frac{14}{15}$$

$$20 - 15x = -6$$

$$-20 \quad -20$$

$$-15x = -26$$

$$\frac{-15x}{-15} = \frac{-26}{-15}$$

$$x = \frac{26}{15}$$

$$10. -\frac{1}{3}|x-4| + 6 = 4$$

$$-6 - 6$$

$$\frac{-2}{1} \cdot \frac{-3}{1} |x-4| = \frac{-2}{1} \cdot \frac{-3}{1}$$

$$|x-4| = 6$$

$$x-4 = 6$$

$$+4 \quad +4$$

$$x = 10$$

$$x-4 = -6$$

$$+4 \quad +4$$

$$x = -2$$