

Variables on Both Sides

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Solve for X.

1) $x = 5x + 16$

2) $-5x + 2 = 4x + 29$

3) $2x + 5 = -3x - 10$

4) $5x = -5x - 10$

5) $-2x + 1 = 3x + 11$

6) $2x + 3 = -3x + 13$

7) $-5x = -2x - 3$

8) $3x = x - 8$

9) $4x = -5x - 9$

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1) $x = 5x + 16$

Answer: -4

2) $-5x + 2 = 4x + 29$

Answer: -3

3) $2x + 5 = -3x - 10$

Answer: -3

4) $5x = -5x - 10$

Answer: -1

5) $-2x + 1 = 3x + 11$

Answer: -2

6) $2x + 3 = -3x + 13$

Answer: 2

7) $-5x = -2x - 3$

Answer: 1

8) $3x = x - 8$

Answer: -4

9) $4x = -5x - 9$

Answer: -1

Solution Steps

1) $x = 5x + 16$

$x = 5x + 16$

$-5x = -5x$

$-4x = 16$

$/ -4 = / -4$

$x = -4$

2) $-5x + 2 = 4x + 29$

$-5x + 2 = 4x + 29$

$-4x = -4x$

$-9x + 2 = 29$

$-2 = -2$

$-9x = 27$

$/ -9 = / -9$

$x = -3$

3) $2x + 5 = -3x - 10$

$2x + 5 = -3x - 10$

$+3x = +3x$

$5x + 5 = -10$

$-5 = -5$

$5x = -15$

$/5 = /5$

$x = -3$

4) $5x = -5x - 10$

$5x = -5x - 10$

$+5x = +5x$

$10x = -10$

$/10 = /10$

$x = -1$

5) $-2x + 1 = 3x + 11$

$-2x + 1 = 3x + 11$

$-3x = -3x$

$-5x + 1 = 11$

$-1 = -1$

$-5x = 10$

$/ -5 = / -5$

$x = -2$

6) $2x + 3 = -3x + 13$

$2x + 3 = -3x + 13$

$+3x = +3x$

$5x + 3 = 13$

$-3 = -3$

$5x = 10$

$/5 = /5$

$x = 2$

7) $-5x = -2x - 3$

$-5x = -2x - 3$

$+2x = +2x$

$-3x = -3$

$/ -3 = / -3$

$x = 1$

8) $3x = x - 8$

$3x = x - 8$

$-x = -x$

$2x = -8$

$/2 = /2$

$x = -4$

9) $4x = -5x - 9$

$4x = -5x - 9$

$+5x = +5x$

$9x = -9$

$/9 = /9$

$x = -1$