1-Step Equations Cue Cards (with examples)

Inverse Operations: (Opposites)	
Addition & Subtraction	Multiplication & Division
Positive # & Negative # (ex: 3 & -3)	Square & Square Root

Pre-Step for all equations: Simplify Double Signs!

Rule



Two like signs become a positive sign

Example



Two unlike signs become a negative sign

$$+(-)$$

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 7+(-2) = 7 - 2 = 5

$$-(+)$$

$$-(+)$$
 8-(+2) = 8 - 2 = 6

Solving 1-Step Equations Cue Card with Examples

Use inverse operations to undo constant or coefficient on the same side of the variable Step 1:

One Step Addition Example

The Opposite of Addition is Subtraction

$$y + 14 = 20$$

The value which makes the equation true is 6.

ONE STEP SUBTRACTION EXAMPLE

The Opposite of Subtraction is Addition

$$x - 120 = 80$$

The value which makes the equation true is 200.

Multiplication Example

The Opposite of Multiplication is Division

$$3n = 12$$

$$\frac{\cancel{8}n}{\cancel{3}} = \frac{12}{3}$$

$$n = 4 \checkmark$$

1n is simply "n"

The value which makes the equation true is 4.

One Step Division Example

The Opposite of Division is Multiplication.

K is divided by 2, so we need to multiply

$$\frac{k}{x^2} \times \frac{x^2}{x^2} = 16 \times \frac{x^2}{x^2}$$

1k is simply "k"

The value which makes the equation true is 32.