

3.2 Introduction to Solving Equations – Part II

Later in this unit we will be solving linear equations. Before we begin solving, we need to know how to identify a linear equation. Most linear equations are first-degree equations. First-degree equations contain a variable in which the highest exponent is one.

Class Notes – State the degree of each equation. Identify the equation as linear or nonlinear.

LP#1 $x + 3 = 10$	$3w - 15 = 2w + 3$	$y^2 - 36 = 0$	$3z + z = 28$
LP#2 $x^2 = 25$	$10z + 2 = 12z - 1$	$100 = 4w^2$	$x^3 = 342$
LP#3 $w = 13$	$y^4 = 16$	$x + 25 = 40 - 3x$	$x^2 - x = 12$

Review – State the degree of each equation. Identify the equation as linear or nonlinear.

R#1 $2x - 6 = 30$	$10 = m^2 - 3m$
R#2 $c^4 = 81$	$7z - 1 = 2z + 9$
R#3 $x^3 = 125$	$x + 8 = 24 - x$

Homework – State the degree of each equation. Identify the equation as linear or nonlinear.

- 1) $6x + 4 = 34$ 2) $200 = 8w^2$ 3) $9z + 20 = 11z - 6$ 4) $x^3 = -125$
- 5) $3z + 8 = 7z - 4$ 6) $x^3 = 8$ 7) $250 = 10w^2$ 8) $15x + 45 = 60$
- 9) $12 = w^2 + w$ 10) $11x + 6 = 28$ 11) $3x^3 = 24$ 12) $z + 12 = 7z - 6$

Synthesis

Rewrite each first-degree equation into an equivalent equation containing radical coefficients. Rewrite each second-degree equation into an equivalent equation containing fractional coefficients.

- 13) $6z + 24 = 3z$ 14) $6 = 0.25m^2 - 0.5m$ 15) $x + 21 = 4x - 3$
- 16) $0.1p^2 - 0.5 = 0.4p$ 17) $2x + 0.5x = 7.5$ 18) $40 = \sqrt{0.25k^2} - 0.6k$