

Homework #52 ~ Solving Equations Using the Distributive Property

Directions: Solve the following equations algebraically and check. Show ALL work!

$1) 3(x+2) = -9$ $\begin{array}{r} 3x+6 = -9 \\ \underline{-6 \quad -6} \\ 3x = -15 \\ \underline{\quad \quad 3} \\ x = -5 \end{array}$	$3(x+2) = -9$ $3(-5+2) = -9$ $3(-3) = -9$ $-9 = -9 \checkmark$	$2) -2(x-3) = 50$ $\begin{array}{r} -2x+6 = 50 \\ \underline{-6 \quad -6} \\ -2x = 44 \\ \underline{\quad \quad -2} \\ x = -22 \end{array}$	$-2(x-3) = 50$ $-2(-22-3) = 50$ $-2(-25) = 50$ $50 = 50 \checkmark$
$3) 6 = \frac{1}{2}(2x-12)$ $\begin{array}{r} 6 = x-6 \\ \underline{+6 \quad +6} \\ 12 = x \end{array}$	$6 = \frac{1}{2}(2x-12)$ $6 = \frac{1}{2}(2 \cdot 12 - 12)$ $6 = \frac{1}{2}(24-12)$ $6 = \frac{1}{2}(12)$ $6 = 6 \checkmark$	$4) -1(x+9) = -6$ $\begin{array}{r} -1x-9 = -6 \\ \underline{+9 \quad +9} \\ -1x = 3 \\ \underline{\quad \quad -1} \\ x = -3 \end{array}$	$-(x+9) = -6$ $-(-3+9) = -6$ $-6 = -6 \checkmark$
$5) -2(y+4) = 2$ $\begin{array}{r} -2y-8 = 2 \\ \underline{+8 \quad +8} \\ -2y = 10 \\ \underline{\quad \quad -2} \\ y = -5 \end{array}$	$-2(y+4) = 2$ $-2(-5+4) = 2$ $-2(-1) = 2$ $2 = 2 \checkmark$	$6) 3(n-1) = -10$ $\begin{array}{r} 3n-3 = -10 \\ \underline{+3 \quad +3} \\ 3n = -7 \\ \underline{\quad \quad 3} \\ n = -\frac{7}{3} \end{array}$	$3(n-1) = -10$ $3\left(-\frac{7}{3}-1\right) = -10$ $3\left(-\frac{10}{3}\right) = -10$ $-10 = -10 \checkmark$