

## Expressions and Equations

Equation: Mathematical sentence formed by placing = between 2 expressions.

Ex.  $5x + 2 = 3y - 4$

Expression: Mathematical sentence that does not have an equal sign

Ex.  $5x + 2$

Variable: A symbol that represents one or more #'s.

Ex.  $3x$  <sup>variable</sup>

Evaluate: To find the value of an expression. Ex.  $(4x) + 3 - 4 + (2x)$

$6x + -1$

Solution: Any value or values that makes an equation true. Ex.  $2x + 2 = 4$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2 \\ \hline 2x = 2 \\ \hline x = 1 \end{array}$$

## Like Terms:

Terms that have the same variable(s)

Ex.  $5x + 9y + 3x$

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