

POP QUIZ!!

Each problem below is incorrect. Find the error and rework the problem off to the right.

1.  $\frac{x-3}{5} + 4 = -10$

$x-3 + 4 = -50$

$x+1 = -50$

$x = -51$

Didn't multiply 4 by 5

$x-3+20 = -10$

$x+17 = -10$

$x = -27$

2.  $2|x-5| + 12 = 30$

$2|x-5| = 18$

$x-5 = 9$

$x = 14$

Lost absolute value bars

$|x-5| = 9$

$x-5 = 9$

$x = 14$

$x-5 = -9$

$x = -4$

3.  $4(x+3)^2 - 8 = 100$

$(4x+12)^2 - 8 = 100$

$(4x+12)^2 = 108$

$4x+12 = \sqrt{108}$

$4x+12 = 10.39$

$4x = -1.6$

$x = -0.40$

Can't distribute if there's an exponent

$4(x-3)^2 - 8 = 100$

$\frac{4(x-3)^2}{4} = \frac{108}{4}$

$(x-3)^2 = 27$

$x-3 = 5.20$

$x = 8.2$

$x-3 = -5.20$

$x = -2.2$

$$4. 3 + 4\sqrt{x+1} = 5$$

Can't combine because 4 is multiplied by the radical

$$\sqrt{x+1} = \frac{5}{4}$$

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$$x+1 = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^2$$

$$x+1 = \frac{25}{16}$$

$$x = -0.49$$

$$3 + 4\sqrt{x+1} = 5$$

$$4\sqrt{x+1} = 2$$

$$\sqrt{x+1} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

$$x+1 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$5. |x-4| = 3$$

$$x-4 = 3$$

$$x = 7$$

$$x+4 = 3$$

$$x = -1$$

Don't change inside of absolute value

$$|x-4| = 3$$

$$x-4 = 3$$

$$x = 7$$

$$x-4 = -3$$

$$x = 1$$

$$6. 8 - \frac{3}{x} = 32$$

$$-\frac{3}{x} = 24$$

$$x = -8$$

Multiply by x to undo fraction

$$x \left( -\frac{3}{x} = 24 \right) \cdot x$$

$$-3 = 24x$$

$$\frac{-3}{24} = \frac{24x}{24}$$

$$-\frac{3}{24} = x = -\frac{1}{8}$$