## Solving Linear Equations

The student will justify steps used in simplifying expressions and solving equations and inequalities. Justifications will include the use of concrete objects, pictorial representations, and the properties of real numbers, equality, and inequality.

SOL A.4d

Materials: deck of Equation cards
Groups: 3 or 4 players
Game:
The cards should be shuffled and placed face up on a flat surface. The objective is to match the steps for solving an equation. Students should determine the order of play. On an individual's turn, the student should pick the card with the equation on it and pick a card with the first step in solving the equation. The next player would pick a card that would be the next step in solving the equation. Continue play until the equation is solved. After solving the equation, players pick another equation to be solved and continue.


| The solution is 27. | Add $\mathbf{6}$ to both sides. |
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| The solution is 2. | Multiply both sides <br> by $\frac{4}{5}$. |
| Multiply both sides <br> by 2. | $6=\frac{1}{4} x-9$ |
| Add 5 to both sides. | $\frac{1}{2} x-5=1$ |
| The solution is $\mathbf{6 0 .}$ | $5+\frac{10}{11} x=35$ |
| Multiply both sides |  |
| by $\frac{11}{10}$. | Multiply both sides by <br> 4. |



| The solution is 54. | Subtract $\mathbf{6}$ from <br> both sides. |
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| $\frac{x}{4}+9=6$ | Multiply both sides <br> by 3. |
| The solution is -12. | Subtract 9 from <br> both sides. |
| $29=11+\frac{x}{3}$ | Add 7 to both sides. |
| The solution is 108. | Divide both sides by <br> 3. |
| Multiply both sides |  |
| by $\frac{3}{2}$. | Divide both sides by <br> -5. |



| $42=10+2 x$ | Add 12 to both sides. <br> $3 x-7=2$ |
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| Subtract 8 from both <br> sides. |  |
| $9-14 x=8 x+6$ | Divide both sides by <br> 3. |
| $8 x-3=23-5 x$ | Subtract 3 from both <br> sides. |
| $9 x-13=5 x+57$ | Divide both sides by <br> 2. |
| $6 x-8=17+x$ | Add 3 to both sides. |


| Subtract 15 from <br> both sides. | Divide both sides by <br> 4. |
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| Divide both sides by <br> 12. | Subtract 3x from <br> both sides. |
| Divide both sides by <br> 22. | Add 4x to both sides. |
| Add $14 x$ to both sides. | Subtract $x$ from both <br> sides. |
| Subtract $5 x$ from both <br> sides. | Add $x$ to both sides. |
| Divide both sides by <br> 13. | Add 13 to both sides. |




