

Simple Algebraic Expressions

Upper Primary Advance Maths

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Solve these algebraic expressions, when $y = 5$.

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2. $y + 8 =$

3. $12 + y =$

4. $y - 2 =$

5. $9 - y =$

6. $7 + y =$

Solve these algebraic expressions, when $x = 3$

1. $9 - x =$

2. $4 - x =$

3. $13 + x =$

4. $20 - x =$

5. $6 + x =$

6. $12 - x =$

Simple Algebraic Expressions - Solutions

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$$4. \quad y - 2 = 3$$

$$5. \quad 9 - y = 4$$

$$6. \quad 7 + y = 12$$

Solve these algebraic expressions, when $x = 3$

$$1. \quad 9 - x = 6$$

$$2. \quad 4 - x = 1$$

$$3. \quad 13 + x = 16$$

$$4. \quad 20 - x = 17$$

$$5. \quad 6 + x = 9$$

$$6. \quad 12 - x = 9$$