

QUICK TIP!

Hey Kids! Time for a super fun math lesson, courtesy of Math Madness!

USING VARIABLES

A variable is a symbol (usually a letter) that represents an unknown value.

Variables allow you to write a single expression that can be used with a bunch of different inputs.

By replacing the variables with different numbers, we can get different answers!

Expression: $X + 3$

$$X = 0: 0 + 3 = 3$$

$$X = 1: 1 + 3 = 4$$

$$X = 2: 2 + 3 = 5$$

Expression: $5 \times A + B$

$$A = 0, B = 0: 5 \times 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$A = 1, B = 1: 5 \times 1 + 1 = 6$$

$$A = 2, B = 4: 5 \times 2 + 4 = 14$$

TRY IT!

Solve the expressions below by replacing the variables with the specified values.

Expression: $3 \times V + 4$

$$V = 3: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$V = 4: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$V = 5: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Expression: $2 \times Q + 2 \times P$

$$Q = 1, P = 1: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$Q = 1, P = 3: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$Q = 3, P = 2: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Expression: $C \div 3$

$$C = 0: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$C = 3: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$C = 5: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Expression: $\frac{1}{X}$

$$X = 1: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$X = 2: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$X = 100: \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

