Unit 6 Lesson 2: Truth and Equations

1 Three Letters (Warm up)

Student Task Statement

- 1. The equation a + b = c could be true or false.
 - a. If *a* is 3, *b* is 4, and *c* is 5, is the equation true or false?
 - b. Find new values of *a*, *b*, and *c* that make the equation true.
 - c. Find new values of *a*, *b*, and *c* that make the equation false.
- 2. The equation $x \cdot y = z$ could be true or false.
 - a. If *x* is 3, *y* is 4, and *z* is 12, is the equation true or false?
 - b. Find new values of x, y, and z that make the equation true.
 - c. Find new values of *x*, *y*, and *z* that make the equation false.

2 Storytime

Student Task Statement

Here are three situations and six equations. Which equation best represents each situation? If you get stuck, consider drawing a diagram.

| x + 5 = 20 | x = 20 + 5 | 5x = 20 |
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| x + 20 = 5 | $5 \cdot 20 = x$ | 20x = 5 |

- 1. After Elena ran 5 miles on Friday, she had run a total of 20 miles for the week. She ran *x* miles before Friday.
- 2. Andre's school has 20 clubs, which is five times as many as his cousin's school. His cousin's school has *x* clubs.
- 3. Jada volunteers at the animal shelter. She divided 5 cups of cat food equally to feed 20 cats. Each cat received *x* cups of food.

3 Using Structure to Find Solutions

Student Task Statement

Here are some equations that contain a **variable** and a list of values. Think about what each equation means and find a **solution** in the list of values. If you get stuck, consider drawing a diagram. Be prepared to explain why your solution is correct.

1.
$$1000 - a = 400$$

2. $12.6 = b + 4.1$
3. $8c = 8$
4. $\frac{2}{3} \cdot d = \frac{10}{9}$
5. $10e = 1$
6. $10 = 0.5f$
7. $0.99 = 1 - g$
8. $h + \frac{3}{7} = 1$
List: $\frac{1}{8}$ $\frac{3}{7}$ $\frac{4}{7}$ $\frac{3}{5}$ $\frac{5}{3}$ $\frac{7}{3}$ 0.01 0.1 0.5
1 2 8.5 9.5 16.7 20 400 600 1400