

# SUPER 12s



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2 ALGEBRA  
2.8 REARRANGING EQUATIONS  
2.8 LEVEL 2

NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

**Skill description:** Rearranging equations that involve addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of variables.

## Essential Revision

1. Solve for the unknown.

$$x + 11 = 18$$

2. Rearrange the equation to make  $A$  the subject.

$$V = Ah$$

3. Solve for the unknown.

$$5x = 35$$

4. Rearrange the equation to make  $L$  the subject.

$$Q = mL$$

5. Solve for the unknown.

$$y - 4 = 12$$

6. Rearrange the equation to make  $t$  the subject.

$$I = \frac{q}{t}$$

7. Solve for the unknown.

$$\frac{x}{6} = 7$$

8. Rearrange the equation to make  $W$  the subject.

$$V = \frac{W}{q}$$

9. Solve for the unknown.

$$p + 9 = 19$$

10. Rearrange the equation to make  $I$  the subject.

$$V = IR$$

11. Solve for the unknown.

$$4y = 16$$

12. Rearrange the equation to make  $a$  the subject.

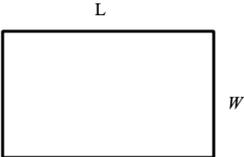
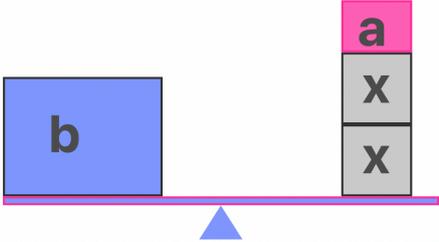
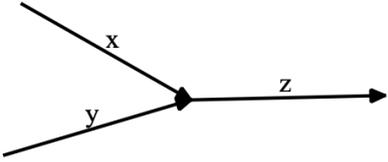
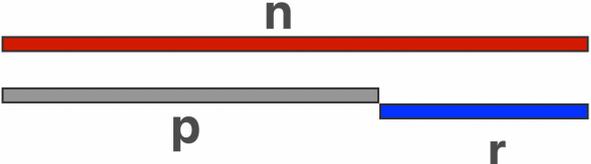
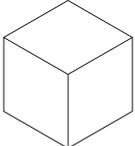
$$F = ma$$

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# EQUATIONS

At this level, you will be rearranging equations sourced from mathematics and science.

Equation	Explanation
$P = R - L$	Finance - profit/loss.
$P = 2L + 2W$	Perimeter of a rectangle. 
$2x + a = b$	When balancing equations. 
$x + y = z$	When looking at flow rates in pipes. 
$a + b + c + d = T$	When adding the times of team members in a relay race to calculate the total time of the team.
$n = p + r$	When balancing equations. 
$f + v - e = 2$	Euler's Formula that links faces, edges and vertices. 

# STRATEGIES TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS

When rearranging equations, the goal is to:

Isolate the desired variable (unknown)  
to one side of the equal sign.

We will see over the next few levels that we follow the order:

- **First:** isolate the term that contains the desired variable (unknown).
- **Second:** isolate the desired variable (unknown).

## Example 1

Rearrange the equation to make  $R$  the subject.

$$P = R - L$$

## Step 1

Our goal is to isolate the variable  $R$ . The variable  $L$  is mathematically connected to  $R$  by subtraction. To isolate  $R$  we need to take the variable  $L$  and apply the inverse operation (+) to both sides of the equation.

$$\begin{array}{r} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ P = R - L \\ + L = + L \\ \hline P + L = R \end{array}$$

## Example 2

Rearrange the equation to make  $L$  the subject.

$$P = R - L$$

### Step 1

To isolate the variable  $L$ , begin by subtracting  $R$  on both sides of the equation.

$$\begin{array}{r} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ P = R - L \\ -R = -R \\ \hline P - R = -L \end{array}$$

### Step 2

To isolate the variable  $L$  and remove the negative, we need to multiply both sides of the equation by  $(-1)$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ P - R = -L \\ \times (-1) = \times (-1) \\ \hline -1(P - R) = L \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ -P + R = L \end{array}$$

### Example 3

Rearrange the equation to make  $b$  the subject.

$$d = 2b - f$$

#### Step 1

To isolate the variable  $b$ , begin by adding  $f$  to both sides of the equation.

$$\begin{array}{r} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ d = 2b - f \\ + f = + f \\ \hline d + f = 2b \end{array}$$

#### Step 2

To isolate the variable  $b$  we need to divide both sides of the equation by 2.

$$\begin{array}{r} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ d + f = 2b \\ \div 2 = \div 2 \\ \hline \frac{d + f}{2} = b \end{array}$$



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## QUESTIONS

1. Rearrange the equation to make  $L$  the subject.

$$P = 2L + 2W$$

2. Rearrange the equation to make  $x$  the subject.

$$2x + a = b$$

3. Rearrange the equation to make  $x$  the subject.

$$x + y = z$$

4. Rearrange the equation to make  $a$  the subject.

$$a + b + c + d = T$$

5. Rearrange the equation to make  $p$  the subject.

$$n = p + r$$

6. Rearrange the equation to make  $W$  the subject.

$$P = 2L + 2W$$

7. Rearrange the equation to make  $f$  the subject.

$$f + v - e = 2$$

8. Rearrange the equation to make  $y$  the subject.

$$x + y = z$$

9. Rearrange the equation to make  $b$  the subject.

$$a + b + c + d = T$$

10. Rearrange the equation to make  $r$  the subject.

$$n = p + r$$

11. Rearrange the equation to make  $v$  the subject.

$$f + v - e = 2$$

12. Rearrange the equation to make  $a$  the subject.

$$2x + a = b$$



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# MASTERY TEST

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LEVELS THIS YEAR



## Solutions to Essential Revision

1.  $x = 7$

3.  $x = 7$

5.  $y = 16$

7.  $x = 42$

9.  $p = 10$

11.  $y = 16$

2.  $A = \frac{V}{h}$

4.  $L = \frac{Q}{m}$

6.  $t = \frac{q}{I}$

8.  $W = Vq$

10.  $I = \frac{V}{R}$

12.  $a = \frac{F}{m}$

## Solutions to Questions

1.  $L = \frac{P}{2} - W$

3.  $x = z - y$

5.  $p = n - r$

7.  $f = 2 - v + e$

9.  $b = T - a - c - d$

11.  $v = 2 - f + e$

2.  $x = \frac{b-a}{2}$

4.  $a = T - b - c - d$

6.  $W = \frac{P}{2} - L$

8.  $y = z - x$

10.  $r = n - p$

12.  $a = b - 2x$