

Homework: Integer Word Problems

Consecutive integers follow one right after another in order

For example 3,4 and 5 are three consecutive integers.

If we let x represent the first integer,

look at 3, 4, and 5 (note that 4 is one more than 3, the first integer).

The second consecutive integer is represented by $x+1$.

The third consecutive integer is represented by $x+2$ (note that 5 is two more than 3, the first integer)

Example: Find three consecutive integers whose sum is 258

$$x+(x+1)+(x+2)=258$$

$$3x + 3 = 258$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \quad -3 \\ 3x = 255 \end{array} \quad \text{now subtract three from each side}$$

$$3x = 255$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{255}{3} \quad \text{now divide each side by three}$$

$$x = 85$$

three consecutive integers are 85,86,87

now check your answer add your three integers together to make 258~ Yes!

Three times a number plus twenty two , is the same as when 110 is decreased by the number

$$3x+22= 110-x$$

$$-22= -22 \quad \text{subtract twenty two from each side}$$

$$3x = 88-x$$

$$\frac{+x}{+x} = \frac{+x}{+x} \quad \text{to make both sides of the equation equal add an x to both sides}$$

$$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{88}{4}$$

$$x = 22 \quad \text{now divide each side by four,}$$

$$x=22$$

Find the integers that would solve the problems.

1. When eleven times the number is increased by six the result is thirty-six more than six times the number.

2. Find two consecutive odd integers whose sum is 128.

3. Four times a number plus four is the same as 20 plus two times the number. Find the number.

4. Seven times a number plus four is the same as twenty-two plus four times the number. Find the number.

5. Find three consecutive odd integers whose sum is 57.