

Consecutive Integer Problems Homework Answer Key

1. Let $x = \text{a number} = -6$

$$7x - 33 = 10x - 15$$

$$-33 = 3x - 15$$

$$-18 = 3x$$

$$x = -6$$

2. Let $x = \text{smaller number} = 16$

$$\text{Let } (x + 7) = \text{larger number} = 23$$

$$3(x + 7) = 5 + 4x$$

$$3x + 21 = 5 + 4x$$

$$21 = 5 + x$$

$$16 = x$$

3. $x = \text{the number} = 9$

$$2x + 10 = 3x + 1$$

$$2x + 9 = 3x$$

$$x = 9$$

4. $x = \text{1st consecutive odd integer} = \mathbf{-29}$

$$(x + 2) = \text{2nd consecutive odd integer} = \mathbf{-27}$$

$$(x + 4) = \text{3rd consecutive odd integer} = \mathbf{-25}$$

$$x + (x + 2) + (x + 4) = -81$$

$$3x + 6 = -81$$

$$\mathbf{3x = -87}$$

$$\mathbf{x = -29}$$

5. Let $x = \text{1st consecutive integer} = 96$

$$\text{Let } (x + 1) = \text{2nd consecutive integer} = 97$$

$$\text{Let } (x + 2) = \text{3rd consecutive integer} = 98$$

$$\text{Let } (x + 3) = \text{4th consecutive integer} = 99$$

$$\text{Let } (x + 4) = \text{5th consecutive integer} = 100$$

$$x + (x + 1) + (x + 2) + (x + 3) + (x + 4) = 490$$

$$5x + 10 = 490$$

$$5x = 480$$

$$x = 96$$

6. Let $x = \text{1st consecutive even integer} = 14$

$$\text{Let } (x + 2) = \text{2nd consecutive even integer} = 16$$

$$4x = 8 + 3(x + 2)$$

$$4x = 8 + 3x + 6$$

$$x = 14$$

7. Let $x = 1^{\text{st}}$ consecutive integer = 10

Let $(x+1) = 2^{\text{nd}}$ consecutive integer = 11

Let $(x+2) = 3^{\text{rd}}$ consecutive integer = 12

$$x + (x + 1) = (x + 2) - 13$$

$$2x + 1 = x - 11$$

$$x + 1 = 11$$

$$x = 10$$

8. Let $x = 1^{\text{st}}$ consecutive odd integer = 11

Let $(x+2) = 2^{\text{nd}}$ consecutive odd integer = 13

Let $(x+4) = 3^{\text{rd}}$ consecutive odd integer = 15

Let $(x+6) = 4^{\text{th}}$ consecutive odd integer = 17

$$x + (x+2) + (x+4) = 2(x + 6) + 5$$

$$3x + 6 = 2x + 12 + 5$$

$$3x + 6 = 2x + 17$$

$$3x = 2x + 11$$

$$x = 11$$

9. $x = 1^{\text{st}}$ consecutive even integer = 12

$(x+2) = 2^{\text{nd}}$ consecutive even integer = 14

$(x+4) = 3^{\text{rd}}$ consecutive even integer = 16

$$8 + (x + 4) = 2x$$

$$12 + x = 2x$$

$$12 = x$$

10. Let $x = 1^{\text{st}}$ consecutive odd integer = 15

Let $(x+2) = 2^{\text{nd}}$ consecutive odd integer = 17

Let $(x+4) = 3^{\text{rd}}$ consecutive odd integer = 19

Let $(x+6) = 4^{\text{th}}$ consecutive odd integer = 21

$$x + (x+2) + (x+4) = 30 + (x+6)$$

$$3x + 6 = 36 + x$$

$$2x = 30$$

$$x = 15$$

11. Let $x = \#$ of calories in an apple = 75

Let $(x - 29) = \#$ of calories in a **peach** = 46

Let $(x+13) = \#$ of calories in a **banana** = 88

$$3x + 43 = 2(x + 13) + 2(x - 29)$$

$$3x + 43 = 2x + 26 + 2x - 58$$

$$3x + 43 = 4x - 32$$

$$x = 75$$

12. Let $x = 1^{\text{st}}$ consecutive even integer = 0

Let $(x+2) = 2^{\text{nd}}$ consecutive even integer = 2

Let $(x+4) = 3^{\text{rd}}$ consecutive even integer = 4

Let $(x+6) = 4^{\text{th}}$ consecutive even integer = 6

$$x + (x+2) + (x+4) + (x+6) = 10 + x + (x+2)$$

$$4x + 12 = 2x + 12$$

$$x = 0$$

13. Let $x = 1^{\text{st}}$ multiple of 7

Let $(x + 7) = 2^{\text{nd}}$ multiple of 7

Let $(x + 14) = 3^{\text{rd}}$ multiple of 7

$$(x + 7) + (x + 14) = 7 + 3x$$

$$2x + 21 = 7 + 3x$$

$$21 = 7 + x$$

$$14 = x$$