

Writing Equations from Situations  
Manipulating Algebraic Equations

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$$165 + 12x - 5x = 65 + 12x$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} 165 + 7x & = 65 + 12x \\ -65 & -65 \\ \hline 100 + 7x & = 12x \\ -7x & -7x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\frac{100}{5} = \frac{5x}{5}$$

$$20 = x$$

School A		B
12x	correct	12x correct
-5x	Incorrect	0 Incorrect

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$$x - (0.25x) = \$482.63 \quad \text{Let } x = \text{original price}$$

$$\frac{0.75x}{0.75} = \frac{482.63}{0.75}$$

$$x =$$