

**Absolute Value Equations Homework**

**Directions:** Be sure to show all work, communicate your thought process, and justify your reasoning. Remember to check that your answers are complete, correct, and reasonable.

*Write and solve an equation to determine each unknown number.*

- The absolute value of the quotient of a number and 9 is 12.
- The absolute value of a number is -17.
- The difference of 8 and the absolute value of twice a number is -22.
- Three less than the absolute value of the product of a number and 6 is 138.

*Solve each equation. Be sure to identify any extraneous solutions.*

5.  $2 - |r - 1| = 3r + 4$

6.  $-8|2b + 1| = -24$

7.  $3|-4x + 12| - 5 = 103$

8.  $10 - 2|3f + 5| = 4f - 10$

9.  $10 - 10|-8k + 4| = 10$

10.  $|3x + 2| - 4x = 5$

11. a. Let  $j$  and  $k$  be any negative real numbers, and  $m$  and  $n$  be any positive real numbers where  $n > m$ . Cross off all of the equations that are absolutely invalid in the real number system.

$j * |k| = m$

$m + |j - k| = n$

$n * |k + m| = j$

$n * |k| = m - j$

b. Choose any equation you crossed off, and explain your thought process as to why you decided to cross it off.

c. ***Just for fun!*** Create any equation using the letters  $j$ ,  $k$ ,  $m$ , and  $n$  that is valid in the real number system.

**Looking Ahead:**

Try solving this absolute value inequality. Graph your solution on a number line.

$|3x - 9| + 1 > 28$

### Selected Solutions

1.  $|x/9| = 12$ ;  $x = -108$ ,  $x = 108$

5.  $r = -1.5$

9.  $k = \frac{1}{2}$

3.  $8 - |2x| = -22$ ;  $x = -15$ ,  $x = 15$

7.  $x = -12$  &  $x = -6$