## SKILLS · PROBLEM SOLVING · REASONING

- **1. VOCABULARY** Copy and complete: To solve the equation 2x + 3x = 20, you would begin by combining 2x and 3x because they are \_?\_.
- **2. WRITING** *Describe* the steps you would use to solve the equation 4x + 7 = 15.

#### **EXAMPLE 1**

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### **SOLVING TWO-STEP EQUATIONS** Solve the equation. Check your solution.

3. 
$$3x + 7 = 19$$

4. 
$$5h + 4 = 19$$

5. 
$$7d - 1 = 13$$

**6.** 
$$2g - 13 = 3$$

7. 
$$10 = 7 - m$$

8. 
$$11 = 12 - q$$

**9.** 
$$\frac{a}{3} + 4 = 6$$

**10.** 
$$17 = \frac{w}{5} + 13$$

11. 
$$\frac{b}{2} - 9 = 11$$

12. 
$$-6 = \frac{z}{4} - 3$$

$$(13.) 7 = \frac{5}{6}c - 8$$

14. 
$$10 = \frac{2}{7}n + 4$$

#### EXAMPLE 2

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## **COMBINING LIKE TERMS** Solve the equation. Check your solution.

**15.** 
$$8y + 3y = 44$$

**16.** 
$$2p + 7p = 54$$

17. 
$$11x - 9x = 18$$

**18.** 
$$36 = 9x - 3x$$

$$(19) -32 = -5k + 13k$$

**20.** 
$$6 = -7f + 4f$$

- **21.**  $\spadesuit$  **MULTIPLE CHOICE** What is the first step you can take to solve the equation  $6 + \frac{x}{3} = -2$ ?
  - **A** Subtract 2 from each side.
- **B**) Add 6 to each side.
- © Divide each side by 3.
- **D** Subtract 6 from each side.
- **22.**  $\blacklozenge$  **MULTIPLE CHOICE** What is the value of x if 3x + x = 24?

$$(A) x = -7$$

**B** 
$$x = -6$$

**©** 
$$x = 6$$

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  $x = 7$ 

## **ERROR ANALYSIS** Describe and correct the error in solving the equation.

23.

$$7 - 3x = 12$$

$$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{12}{4}$$

$$x = 3$$

24.

$$-2x + x = 10$$

$$\frac{-2x + x}{-2} = \frac{10}{-2}$$

$$x = -5$$

#### EXAMPLE 3

on p. 133 for Exs. 25–28

# **WRITING AND SOLVING TWO-STEP EQUATIONS** Write an equation for the verbal sentence. Then find the value of x.

- **25.** The value of *y* is 7 more than 3 times the value of *x*. Find *x* when y = -8.
- **26.** The value of y is 4 more than 2 times the value of x. Find x when y = -10.
- **27.** The value of *y* is 9 less than 10 times the value of *x*. Find *x* when y = 11.
- **28.** The value of y is 5 less than 12 times the value of x. Find x when y = -53.