



Evaluating Variable Expressions

When evaluating variable expressions be sure to:

1. Replace each variable with the value given.
2. Simplify or do the arithmetic.

Examples: Evaluate each expression if $a = 9$ and $b = 27$.

$a + b =$	$b - a =$	$a - b =$	$3a + 5b =$	$4a^2 =$	$\frac{1}{2}(b + a) - 5 =$
$9 + 27 =$	$27 - 9 =$	$9 - 27 =$	$3(9) + 5(27) =$	$4(9)^2 =$	$\frac{1}{2}(27 + 9) - 5 =$
36	18	-18	$27 + 135 =$	$4(81) =$	$\frac{1}{2}(36) - 5 =$
			162	324	$18 - 5 =$
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Evaluate each expression if $m = 6$ and $n = 18$.

1. $m + n$	2. $m - n$	3. $n - m$	4. mn
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5. $\frac{m}{n}$	6. $\frac{n}{m}$	7. $\frac{m^2}{n}$	8. $2n - 3m$
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Evaluate each expression if $p = 4$ and $n = 5$.

9. $2p - n$	10. $n^2 p^2$	11. $4(n + 3)$	12. $2n(3p)$
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13. $(n + p)^2$	14. $np - 3$	15. $3np + 7$	16. $\frac{p + 8}{6}$
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