EQUATIONS

In what country does this scene happen?



What is the aim of this problem?

Let x be the weight of one bundle of cinnamon sticks. x is the **unknown**, it's the value you have to find.

Write the equation corresponding to the situation:

Solve it.

Method for solving a linear equation of the form ax+b=cx+d

Transpose like-terms : ax+b-b-cx=cx+d-b-cx

Compute : ax-cx=d-b

Thus
$$(a+c) x = d-b$$

Thus
$$x = \frac{d-b}{a-c}$$

The solution of the equation is $\frac{d-b}{a-c}$.

Task 1 Solve the following equations

$$4u + 5 = 5u - 30$$

$$3r + 10 = 2r + 20$$

Task 2

Sales at the fishmonger's!

« Look at my fishes, they are so good ! A slice of tuna is worth two soles !...Four soles and two slices of tuna are 28 £ ! »

Determine the price of one sole.



Task 3

The aim of the exercise is to conjecture the solution of a problem using a mathematics software named « GEOGEBRA ». The situation of the problem is given below :

ABCD is a <u>rec</u>tangle such that AB=7 and AD=4. M is a point moving on the segment [CD].

- 1. Open Geogebra. Switch it to English.
- 2. Build ABCD and M. Build the **trapezium** ABMD and the triangle BCM. Build the segment [DM].
- 3. Their areas are displayed in the <u>Algebra Window</u> (*poly1* and *poly2*). Let's call A the double of *poly2*. Write it in the Input Field and display it in the Algebra Window.
- 4. Move the point M and find approximately the position for which the area of the trapezium is **twice** the area of the triangle.

Conjecture: When DM \approx, we have A=poly1. The area of the trapezium is twice the area of the triangle.

Proof : Let *x* be the length of the segment [DM].

- 1. Find the expression of the area of ABMD in terms of x.
- 2. Find the expression of the area of BCM in terms of x.
- 3. Write the equation corresponding to the problem and solve it. Check the previous conjecture.

Task 4: Four skirts and five ties cost 340£. Given the price of a shirt is three times the price of a tie, find the price of each.

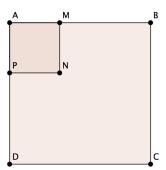
Task 5 : ABCD is a square of side 20. Let M be a point of [AB]. We **denote** x=AM. P and N are such that P \in [AD] and AMNP is a square.

Let f(x) be the area of AMNP and g(x) be the area of the triangle DNC.

- 1. Express f(x) and g(x) in terms of x.
- 2. Find x such that f(x) = g(x).

Task 6 Let $A(x) = 2(x+3)^2 + 6 + 2x$.

- 1. Factor A(x).
- 2. Expand A(x).
- 3. Compute A(0), A(1), $A(\sqrt{7})$.
- 4. Solve the equation A(x)=0.
- 5. Solve the inequation A(x) > 24.



Task 7 Let $A(x) = (x-1)^2 - (3x-6)^2$.

- 1. Expand A(x).
- 2. Factor A(x).
- 3. Compute A(0), $A(\frac{7}{4})$, $A(1-\sqrt{2})$.
- 4. Solve the equation A(x)=0.
- 5. Solve the inequation A(x) > 0.

SPECIAL PRODUCTS

$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a-b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a-b)(a+b) = a^2 - b^2$$