Writing Expressions

**Every word problem you read asks you to perform at least one of only four possible mathematical operations: Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and/or Division

Let's learn the language of each:

Addition	Subtraction	<u>Multiplication</u>	Division
Plus	minus	times	divide by
More than	less	product of	divide into
Increased by	less than	doubled (2 times)	quotient of

**To write an expression, determine:

1. Which operation is being used, and then

2. Substitute an operational sign for the corresponding words:

EXAMPLE: Sally has three more apples than Georgine.

Georgine's apples: a Sally's apples: a + 3

OR: Marcus earned twice as much money this weekend as Jacob.

Jacob's earnings: b Marcus' earnings: 2b

Let's write expressions for the following:

- 1. seven more than k
- 2. three times the value of w
- 3. m divided by 3

- 4. 12 less than 7 times a number x
- 5. 6 more players than a number 8 times p
- 6. 4 more than the product of x and 12

Now, let's write expressions and evaluate for the values given:

7. What is the sum of 4 and d?

d = 9

8. Nick and Sarah each sold t candy bars and Julia sold 5 more. How many bars were sold all together? t = 6

9. All 20 kids in the class each spent n at Isabella's, except Mrs. Sperling, who spent \$6.75. How much money was spent at Isabella's? n = \$5.00