## General Strategy for Solving Linear Equations Get Rid of It Strategy

Transform equations into $\mathbf{a x}+\mathrm{b}=\mathrm{c}$ format by using the Properties of Real Numbers, then use the Order of Operations in reverse using the inverse (opposite) operation to isolate the variable.

First step, identify what is physically different in the problem from $a x+b=c$, then get rid of it.

