



TRANSLATING ENGLISH PHRASES INTO ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS

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Ten more than a number	$x + 10$
A number added to five	$5 + x$
<u>A number increased by thirteen</u>	$x + 13$
Four less than ten	$10 - 4$
Six less than a number	$x - 6$
A number decreased by seven	$x - 7$
The difference between a number and three	$x - 3$
<u>The difference between three and a number</u>	$3 - x$
Twice a number	$2x$
Half (of) a number	$\frac{1}{2}x$ or $\frac{x}{2}$
A number squared <i>or</i> the square of a number	x^2
The square of five more than a number	$(x + 5)^2$
Five more than the square of a number <i>or</i> the square of a number, increased by five	$x^2 + 5$
Ten percent of a number	$0.10x$
<u>Ten times a number</u>	$10x$
Quotient of a number and three	$\frac{x}{3}$
Quotient of three and a number	$\frac{3}{x}$
Five times the sum of a number and two	$5(x + 2)$
<u>Five times the difference of a number and four</u>	$5(x + 4)$
Five is three more than a number	$5 = x + 3$
The product of two and a number is ten	$2x = 10$
One half (of) a number is ten	$\frac{1}{2}x = 10$
Ten less than eight times a number is five more than the number	$8x - 10 = x + 5$
<u>The sum of five times a number and ten is equal to the product of 15 and the number</u>	$5x + 10 = 15x$
The sum of two consecutive integers	$x + (x + 1)$
The sum of two consecutive even integers	$x + (x + 2)$
The sum of two consecutive odd integers	$x + (x + 2)$
The sum of the squares of two consecutive integers	$x^2 + (x + 1)^2$
The sum of the cubes of two consecutive integers	$x^3 + (x + 1)^3$



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Accumulate	+	Fraction	÷	Quotient (of)	÷
Add, add up, added to, addition, additional	+	Fraction of	×	Raise, raised by, rise	+
Alike	=	Gain.....	× or +	Ratio (of)	÷
Also	+	Gives (a result of), giving.....	=	Reciprocal (of)	÷
Altogether	+	Go (went) up	+	Reduce, reduce(d) by	-
Amounts to	=	Go (went) up by a factor of	×	Reduce(d) by a factor of	÷
Amplify, amplified by	×	Greater (than)	+	Represents	=
And	+	Grew by, grow by.....	+	Result (is), results (are), results in=	
Appreciate	+	Halved.....	÷	Same (result) as	=
Are	=	Identical to	=	Smaller (than)	-
Area	×	In addition (to)	+	Smaller by a factor of	÷
Balances	=	In all	+	Shorten (by), shorter (than).....	-
Bigger (than)	+	In excess	+	Subdivide	÷
Coincides (with)	=	Increased (by), increment.....	+	Subtract, subtracted from	-
Combine(d)	+	Increase(d) by a factor of.....	×	Sum (of), summation	+
Corresponds (to)	=	Intensified by.....	×	Take away, take from	-
Cut (by)	-	Interest on.....	×	Tally (up)	+
Cut by a factor of	÷	Is (equal)	=	Thrice	×
Decline, declined by	-	Less (than)	-	Times, times as much, times larger, times more, times older.....	×
Decline(d) by a factor of	÷	Larger (than)	+	Times less, times smaller, times younger.....	÷
Decrease(d) by, decrement	-	Lengthen (by), longer (than)	+	Together	+
Decrease(d) by a factor of	÷	Lower, lowered by.....	-	Total (is)	=
Deduct, deducted from	-	Matches	=	Total of	+
Depreciate	-	Magnified by.....	×	Triple(d)	×
Difference (of)	-	Minus	-	Twice	×
Diminished (by)	-	More (than)	+	Volume	×
Diminished by a factor of	÷	Multiple, multiply, multiplied by	×	Was (equal), were (equal)	=
Divide, divided by, divided into ..	÷	Narrower (than)	-	Wider (than)	+
Double(d)	×	Net	+	Will be (equal)	=
Dropped by	-	Of [usually in connection with fractions]	×	... Years older (than)	+
Dropped by a factor of	÷	Older (than)	+	Yields	=
Dwindle	-	On top of	+		
Equal, equals	=	Per	÷		
Equivalent (to)	=	Percent (of)	×		
Exceeds (by)	+	Perimeter	+		
Factors	×	Plus	+		
Fall	-	Product (of)	×		
Farther	+	Quadruple(d)	×		
Fewer than	-	Quarter	÷		
Find the total	+	Quantity	(...)		