

7.7 Bookwork

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11. $\sqrt{x} = 4$

$x = 16$

CHECK
 $\sqrt{16} = 4$ ✗

13. $x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 9 = 0$

$(x^{\frac{1}{2}})^2 = (-9)^2$

~~$x = 81$~~

$\boxed{\text{no solution}}$

CHECK
 $81^{\frac{1}{2}} + 9 = 0$
 $9 + 9 = 0$
 $18 \neq 0$

15. $7 + \sqrt{4x+8} = 9$

$\sqrt{4x+8} = 2$

$4x+8=4$

$4x=-4$

$x = -1$

CHECK
 $7 + \sqrt{4(-1)+8} = 9$
 $7 + 2 = 9$
 $9 = 9$ ✗

17. $\sqrt{x-5} = \sqrt{2x-4}$

$x-5 = 2x-4$

~~$-1 = x$~~

$\boxed{\text{no solution}}$

CHECK
 $\sqrt{-1-5} = \sqrt{2(-1)-4}$
 $\sqrt{-6} = \sqrt{-6}$
No!

18. $\sqrt{2x-7} = \sqrt{x+2}$

$2x-7 = x+2$

$x = 9$

CHECK
 $\sqrt{2(9)-7} = \sqrt{9+2}$
 $\sqrt{11} = \sqrt{11}$ ✗

EXTRA CREDIT!

19. $(\sqrt{x-6} - \sqrt{x})^2 = 3$

$x-6 - \sqrt{x(x-6)} - \sqrt{x(x-6)} + x = 9$

$2x - 2\sqrt{x^2-6x} = 15$

$-2\sqrt{x^2-6x} = 15-2x$

$4(x^2-6x) = 225 - 60x + 4x^2$

$4x^2 - 24x = 225 - 60x + 4x^2$

$36x = 225$

~~$x = 25$~~

CHECK
NO!

$\boxed{\text{no solution}}$

21. $\sqrt{x+1} = \sqrt{x+6} - 1$

$x+1 = x+6 - 2\sqrt{x+6} + 1$

$-6 = -2\sqrt{x+6}$

$3 = \sqrt{x+6}$

$9 = x+6$

$\boxed{3 = x}$

CHECK
 $\sqrt{3+1} = \sqrt{3+6} - 1$
 $2 = 2$ ✗