

Challenge! :-P

Solve each equation.

1) $-3(x+6) - 7(5x-6) = 62$

$$-3x - 18 - 35x + 42 = 62$$

$$-38x + 24 = 62$$

$$-38x = 38$$

$$\boxed{x = -1}$$

2) $\frac{8}{9} = -\frac{4}{3}r + r$

$$\frac{8}{9} = -\frac{12r}{9} + \frac{9r}{9}$$

$$\frac{8}{9} = \frac{-3r}{9}$$

$$8 = -3r$$

$$\boxed{\frac{-8}{3} = r}$$

$$\frac{-4 \cdot 3}{3 \cdot 3} = \frac{-12}{9}$$

Solve WITHOUT distributing....

3) $155 = 5(7 - 3x)$

$$\frac{155}{5} = \frac{5(7-3x)}{5}$$

$$31 = 7 - 3x$$

$$24 = -3x$$

$$\boxed{-8 = x}$$

Solve each equation.

4) $-(-16 - 7m) + 8 = -3(12 - m)$

$$16 + 7m + 8 = -36 + 3m$$

$$24 + 7m = -36 + 3m$$

$$4m = -60$$

$$\boxed{m = -15}$$

5) $\left[\frac{5}{2}n - \frac{7}{2} \left(-\frac{7}{2}n + \frac{5}{2} \right) = -\frac{153}{4} \right] \times 4$

$$\frac{20n}{2} - \frac{28}{2} \left(-\frac{7}{2}n + \frac{5}{2} \right) = -153$$

$$10n - 14 \left(-\frac{7}{2}n + \frac{5}{2} \right) = -153$$

$$10n + 49n - 35 = -153$$

$$59n - 35 = -153$$

$$59n = -118$$

$$\boxed{n = -2}$$