# 4.3 Solving Functions

SWBAT solve linear and absolute values functions given the output.

Assignments:

HW26

# **Types of Functions**

#### **Linear Functions**

- Functions whose biggest exponent is 1
- Graph is a line
- Examples:
  - $\blacktriangleright f(x) = x$
  - ► f(x) = 2x 9
  - ▶ f(x) = -5x + 7

#### **Absolute Value Functions**

- Functions whose rules include an absolute value
- Graph is a "V"
- Examples:
  - $\blacktriangleright f(x) = |x|$
  - f(x) = 4|x 6|
  - ► f(x) = |-2x + 3|

## **Solving Functions**

- When evaluating functions, we had the input and were searching for the matching output.
- When solving functions, we have the output and are searching for the matching input.

• Example: 
$$f(x) = 2x - 8$$
;  $f(x) = 6$ 

Notice that here, instead of having x, we have f(x). f(x) is also a variable (if a complicated one); we're going to replace it entirely with 6

### Solving Linear Functions

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$$f(x) = 3x - 5; f(x) = 4$$

1. 
$$f(x) = 2x - 5; f(x) = 6$$
  
2.  $f(w) = -w + 3; f(w) = -4$   
3.  $g(x) = 12x + 81; g(x) = 57$   
4.  $h(x) = 2(x - 6); h(x) = -2x$ 

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$$f(x) = 2x - 1; f(x) = x + 1$$

#### Solving Absolute Value Functions

▶ f(n) = |n - 5|; f(n) = 14

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$$f(x) = |3x + 2|; f(x) = 10$$

1. 
$$g(x) = |x + 8|; g(x) = 37$$

2. 
$$m(x) = |4x + 1|; m(x) = -17$$

3. 
$$j(x) = |-x - 1|; j(x) = 20$$

4. 
$$f(x) = \left|\frac{x}{3} + 2\right|; f(x) = 0$$

5. 
$$f(v) = \left|\frac{v+9}{2}\right|; f(v) = 15$$

6. 
$$g(x) = |3x + 4|; g(x) = 17$$

7. 
$$p(x) = |x - 4|; p(x) = -19$$

8. 
$$w(x) = |-x|; w(x) = 15$$

#### Solving Absolute Value Functions

• f(x) = |x - 4|; f(x) = 3

1. f(x) = |3x - 7|; f(x) = 22. f(x) = |3x - 8|; f(x) = -73. f(x) = |2x + 19|; f(x) = 184. f(x) = |x - 2| + 9; f(x) = 175. f(x) = |-x - 6| - 4; f(x) = 0

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$$f(x) = 2|x - 6|; f(x) = 16$$

### **Absolute Value Equations**

- |\_\_\_\_| = (+): 2 solutions
- ▶ |\_\_\_\_| = 0: 1 solution
- | |\_\_\_\_| = (-): No solutions
- The number of solutions is the same as the number of equations that are written

- Adding/Subtracting inside the absolute value results in solutions that are completely different numbers
- What is inside the absolute value never changes
- Absolute value counts as "parentheses" in SADMEP