

The link between $\times$ and $\div$ (multiplication and division)

MODULE 10 · ALGEBRA — PATTERNS, RULES AND NUMBER SENTENCES

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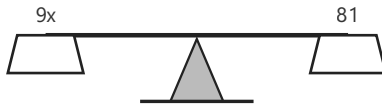
HOW TO ANSWER TODAY

- Solve for x .** Do the OPPOSITE operation to both sides. $+$ becomes $-$; $\times$ becomes $\div$.

$$x + 7 = 15 \rightarrow x = 15 - 7 = 8 \quad 3x = 21 \rightarrow x = 21 \div 3 = 7$$

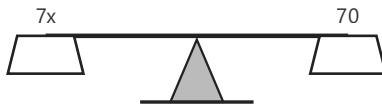
STRETCH PROBLEMS

1

Find x so the scale balances.

Mr Ó Briain pins up **81** homework stickers on the classroom noticeboard, arranged in **9** equal rows with x stickers in each row. Solve $9x = \mathbf{81}$ to find how many stickers are in each row.

2

Find x so the scale balances.

Cian and his sister save the same amount of pocket money each week for **7** weeks. Together they have saved **€70** in total, so $7x = \mathbf{70}$, where x is the amount saved each week. What is the value of x ?