

## DETERMINE THE ONE OPERATION FUNCTION

### What Is a One Operation Function?

- A one operation function is an equation with only one of the following operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division.

### How to determine the one operation function:

- When given a story problem where you need to determine the operation, be sure to look for clues.
- Here are a few examples of clues you may find:

Addition	Subtraction	Multiplication	Division
more, together	have left, have	together	each, equally, shared

- These clues can help you determine the operation to solve the problem.

For example:

Maggie and Derek have a bag of 32 jelly beans. The bag has 32 pieces in it. How many jelly beans will **each** of them get?

The problem mentions **share**, **each**, and **equally**. So we know that Maggie and Derek are going to **divide** the bag up evenly between them. There are 32 pieces they will be sharing and there are two of them that are sharing. In order to solve this problem, you would divide 32 by 2.

$$32 \div 2 = 16$$

Maggie and Derek will each receive 16 jelly beans.



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## Try This!

Determine the one operation function for each of these problems.

Heather brought enough chocolate chip cookies to school to give each of her classmates 3 cookies. If Heather has 12 classmates, how many cookies did she bring to school?

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Danny had a collection of 52 baseball cards. He gave 24 to his friend, Ryan. How many baseball cards does Danny have now?



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