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x + 14 = 71 or x = 71 - 14 or 71 - x = 14x = 5757 years old

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x + 10 = 47 or x = 47 - 10 or 47 - x = 10x = 37\$37

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need to put in?

 $x + 4\frac{3}{10} = 5\frac{1}{2}$ or $x = 5\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{3}{10}$ or $5\frac{1}{2} - x = 4\frac{3}{10}$ $x = 1\frac{1}{5}$ $1\frac{1}{5}$ cups

7) How many boxes of envelopes can you buy with \$10 if one box costs \$2?

2x = 10 or $x = \frac{10}{2}$ or $\frac{10}{x} = 2$ x = 55 boxes

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8x = 32 or $x = \frac{32}{8}$ or $\frac{32}{x} = 8$

2) Last week Jessica ran 21 miles more than Wilbur. Jessica ran 36 miles. How many miles did Wilbur run?

x + 21 = 36 or x = 36 - 21 or 36 - x = 21x = 1515 miles

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x + 8 = 18 or x = 18 - 8 or 18 - x = 8x = 10\$10

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9x = 27 or $x = \frac{27}{9}$ or $\frac{27}{x} = 9$ x = 3\$3

8) Molly bought six fancy pens for a total of \$24. How much did each pen cost?

6x = 24 or $x = \frac{24}{6}$ or $\frac{24}{x} = 6$ x = 4\$4

10) Anjali spent \$26.10 on tissues. If they cost \$2.61 per box, how many boxes did she buy?

2.61x = 26.1 or $x = \frac{26.1}{2.61}$ or $\frac{26.1}{x} = 2.61$ x = 10