Mathematical Reflections 3

In this investigation, you learned how to solve equations by operating on the symbols. These questions will help you summarize what you have learned.

Think about your answers to these questions. Discuss your ideas with other students and your teacher. Then, write a summary of your findings in your notebook.

- **1.** Describe a symbolic method for solving a linear equation. Use an example to illustrate the method.
- **2.** Compare the symbolic method for solving linear equations to the methods of using a table or graph.