

Algebra 1 Bellwork Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2014

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$X = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ unknown integer}$

$$\underline{X} + \underline{X+1} + \underline{X+2} + \underline{X+3} = 154$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4X + 6 = 154 \\ -6 \quad -6 \\ \hline 4X = 148 \\ \div 4 \\ \hline X = 37 \end{array}$$

37, 38, 39, 40

2. Three consecutive even numbers have a sum of -168. Find these numbers.

$X = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ unknown even \#}$

$$\underline{X} + \underline{X+2} + \underline{X+4} = -168$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3X + 6 = -168 \\ -6 \quad -6 \\ \hline 3X = -174 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3X = -174 \\ \div 3 \quad \div 3 \\ \hline X = -58 \end{array}$$

-58, -56, -54

3. Four consecutive odd numbers have a sum of 536. Find these numbers.

$X = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ unknown odd \#}$

$$\underline{X} + \underline{X+2} + \underline{X+4} + \underline{X+6} = 536$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4X + 12 = 536 \\ -12 \quad -12 \\ \hline 4X = 524 \\ \div 4 \quad \div 4 \\ \hline X = 131 \end{array}$$

131, 133, 135, 137