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**LESSON  
1.1**

# Graphing Calculator Activity: Evaluating Expressions

*For use before the lesson "Evaluating Expressions"*

**QUESTION** How can you use a graphing calculator to evaluate an expression using the *store* feature?

You can use a graphing calculator to evaluate an expression using the *store* feature. The *store* feature is helpful if you need to use the same value for a variable in several expressions. The *store* feature is also useful to check your work.

**EXAMPLE** Evaluate expressions using a graphing calculator

Use a graphing calculator to evaluate the expression for  $x = 4$  and  $y = 5$ .

a.  $9 + x$

b.  $15x$

c.  $36 - x$

d.  $\frac{64}{x}$

e.  $x^3$

f.  $2xy$

### Solution

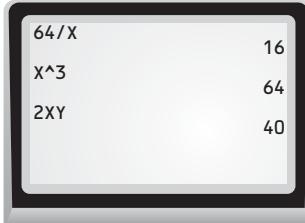
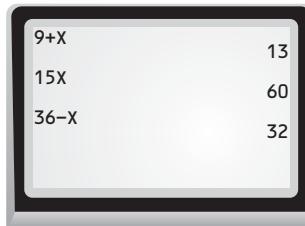
Use the *store* feature of the calculator to store the values of the variables.

Use the following keystrokes.

4 **STO**  $\blacktriangleright$  **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**5 **STO**  $\blacktriangleright$  **ALPHA** [Y] **ENTER**

Then enter the expression in the calculator.

Use the following keystrokes.

a. 9 **+** **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**b. 15 **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**c. 36 **-** **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**d. 64 **÷** **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**e. **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **^** 3 **ENTER**f. 2 **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ALPHA** [Y] **ENTER**

**PRACTICE** Use a calculator to evaluate the expression when  $x = 3$ .

1.  $x - 1$

2.  $12x$

3.  $\frac{48}{x}$

4.  $22 + x$

5.  $x^4$

6.  $5x^2 + 3x$

Use a calculator to evaluate the expression when  $x = 10$  and  $y = 2$ .

7.  $xy$

8.  $x - y$

9.  $4 + x + y$

10.  $\frac{x}{y}$

11.  $x^2 - y^5$

12.  $9y + x - 15$

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Evaluating Expressions***For use before the lesson "Evaluating Expressions"***TI-83 Plus**4 **STO**  $\rightarrow$  **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**5 **STO**  $\rightarrow$  **ALPHA** [Y] **ENTER**a. 9 **+** **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**b. 15 **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**c. 36 **-** **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**d. 64 **÷** **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ENTER**e. **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **^** 3 **ENTER**f. 2 **X,T, $\theta$ ,n** **ALPHA** [Y] **ENTER****Casio CFX-9850GC Plus**

From the main menu, choose RUN.

4 **→** **X, $\theta$ ,T** **EXE**5 **→** **ALPHA** [Y] **EXE**a. 9 **+** **X, $\theta$ ,T** **EXE**b. 15 **X, $\theta$ ,T** **EXE**c. 36 **-** **X, $\theta$ ,T** **EXE**d. 64 **÷** **X, $\theta$ ,T** **EXE**e. **X, $\theta$ ,T** **^** 3 **EXE**f. 2 **X, $\theta$ ,T** **ALPHA** [Y] **EXE**