

RIDGES

A Strategy for Solving Word Problems

Read the question enough times so you understand it and can draw a picture if possible.

Identify the key word(s) and variable.

Decide which mathematical operation(s) you will use.

Get the correct numerical information from the question.

Equation gets written.

Solve the equation and check your answer.

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