



$$X + 5 = 9$$

$$X = 4$$

Now time for the students to give it a try. [Print this algebra scale activity](#), and students will look at the balanced scales and *determine what each of the given shapes will weigh on order to keep the scale balanced.*

How much does each circle weigh? _____
How much does each triangle weigh? _____
How much does each square weigh? _____