

## 4.4

## Practice A

In Exercises 1–6, solve the equation. Check your solution.

1.  $\sqrt{3x - 2} = 5$                       2.  $\sqrt{6x + 1} = 9$                       3.  $\sqrt[3]{x + 10} = 4$
4.  $\sqrt[3]{x} - 8 = -2$                       5.  $-3\sqrt{16x} + 14 = -10$                       6.  $6\sqrt[3]{25x} - 16 = 14$

7. Biologists have discovered that the shoulder height  $h$  (in centimeters) of a male Asian elephant can be modeled by  $h = 62.5\sqrt[3]{t} + 75.8$ , where  $t$  is the age (in years) of the elephant. Determine the age of an elephant with a shoulder height of 300 centimeters.

In Exercises 8–13, solve the equation. Check your solution(s).

8.  $x - 8 = \sqrt{4x}$     9.  $\sqrt{2x - 14} = x - 7$
10.  $\sqrt{x + 22} = x + 2$     11.  $\sqrt[3]{8x^3 + 27} = 2x + 3$
12.  $\sqrt[4]{2 - 9x^2} = 3x$     13.  $\sqrt{3x - 5} = \sqrt{x + 9}$

In Exercises 14–16, solve the equation. Check your solution(s).

14.  $2x^{2/3} = 18$                       15.  $x^{3/4} + 10 = 0$                       16.  $(x + 12)^{1/2} = x$
17. Describe and correct the error in solving the equation.

$$\begin{array}{l} \times \quad \sqrt[3]{2x + 1} = 8 \\ \quad \quad 2x + 1 = 2 \\ \quad \quad \quad 2x = 1 \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad x = \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

In Exercises 18–20, solve the inequality.

18.  $3\sqrt{x} - 4 \geq 5$                       19.  $\sqrt{x - 3} \leq 7$                       20.  $5\sqrt{x - 1} > 10$

21. The length  $\ell$  (in inches) of a standard nail can be modeled by  $\ell = 54d^{3/2}$ , where  $d$  is the diameter (in inches) of the nail.
- What is the diameter of a standard nail that is 2 inches long?
  - What is the diameter of a standard nail that is 4 inches long?
  - The nail in part (b) is twice as long as the nail in part (a). Is the diameter twice as long? Explain.