I. Strategy for Solving Equations:

1. Simplify both sides of the equation, whenever possible.

2. Perform the same arithmetic operations on each side of the equation to remove one or more terms so the result is a simpler (equivalent) equation.

3. Repeat steps 1 & 2 until the variable has been isolated on **one** side, or until the solution is obvious...

II. Examples (pp.50-53): Exercises #14,30,36,62

HW: pp.50-51 / Exercises #5,19,31,37,61,67,69