

TABLE 6.2 *Algebraic Translation of English Phrases*

<b>English Phrase</b>	<b>Algebraic Expression</b>
<b>Addition</b>	
The sum of a number and 7	$x + 7$
Five more than a number; a number plus 5	$x + 5$
A number increased by 6; 6 added to a number	$x + 6$
<b>Subtraction</b>	
A number minus 4	$x - 4$
A number decreased by 5	$x - 5$
A number subtracted from 8	$8 - x$
The difference between a number and 6	$x - 6$
The difference between 6 and a number	$6 - x$
Seven less than a number	$x - 7$
Seven minus a number	$7 - x$
Nine fewer than a number	$x - 9$
<b>Multiplication</b>	
Five times a number	$5x$
The product of 3 and a number	$3x$
Two-thirds of a number (used with fractions)	$\frac{2}{3}x$
Seventy-five percent of a number (used with percents)	$0.75x$
Thirteen multiplied by a number	$13x$
A number multiplied by 13	$13x$
Twice a number	$2x$
<b>Division</b>	
A number divided by 3	$\frac{x}{3}$
The quotient of 7 and a number	$\frac{7}{x}$
The quotient of a number and 7	$\frac{x}{7}$
The reciprocal of a number	$\frac{1}{x}$
<b>More than one operation</b>	
The sum of twice a number and 7	$2x + 7$
Twice the sum of a number and 7	$2(x + 7)$
Three times the sum of 1 and twice a number	$3(1 + 2x)$
Nine subtracted from eight times a number	$8x - 9$
Twenty-five percent of the sum of 3 times a number and 14	$0.25(3x + 14)$
Seven times a number increased by 24	$7x + 24$
Seven times the sum of a number and 24	$7(x + 24)$