

Problem Solving advice

(George Polya → "How to Solve It")

• Understand the problem

• Devise a plan

• Carry out a plan



Try a different representation

a picture
a diagram

act it out
use manipulatives

write an equation

Solve a simpler problem
↓
examples

• Look back → does my solution make sense?
(estimate

solve a different way

think about examples

explain to someone else)

→ think about similar problems