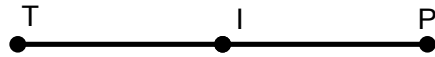


Points T, I, and P are collinear. Point I is the midpoint of TP.  $TI=14$ ,  $TP=9x-17$  solve for x

Solution:

Points are collinear if they lie on the same line.



Given:

$TI = 14$ ,  $TP = 9x - 17$  and  $TI = IP$ , so

$TI + IP = 2TI = TP$  and so

$$28 = 9x - 17$$

$$9x = 45$$

Answer:  $x = 5$