## Exercise 128

In the following exercises, translate to an algebraic expression and simplify if possible.

$$
\text { the sum of }-8 \text { and }-9, \text { increased by } 23
$$

## Solution

This is represented algebraically by

$$
\begin{gathered}
{[(-8)+(-9)]+23} \\
{[-8-9]+23} \\
-17+23
\end{gathered}
$$

6. 
