

**Exercise 38**

In the following exercises, simplify the following expressions by combining like terms.

$$8y + 5 + 2y - 4$$

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**Solution**

Group the terms with  $y$  together and group the terms without  $y$  together.

$$\begin{aligned}8y + 5 + 2y - 4 &= (8y + 2y) + (5 - 4) \\ &= 10y + 1\end{aligned}$$