## Sec. 7.2: Solve Linear Systems by Substitution

Using Substitution to Solve a Linear System:

- Solve one equation for one variable. (Hint: Look for an equation that has a coefficient of \_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_ for one of the variables.)
- Use the expression for the variable you solved for in the \_\_\_\_\_ step and substitute it into the other equation. Then solve for the other variable in that equation.
- Take the value of the variable you just solved for in the \_\_\_\_\_ step and substitute it back into the equation you used in the \_\_\_\_\_ step, in order to solve for the first variable.

## Examples

Solve each system using substitution.

1. 
$$y = 2x - 1$$
  
 $y = 4x + 5$ 

2. 
$$y = \frac{1}{4}x + 2$$
  
 $y = \frac{3}{2}x - 3$ 

3. $y = 2x + 4$	$\Lambda = V + \Lambda$
	4. $y = x + 4$
y = -x - 1	18x + 3y = -9
5. 1 – 2x = -y	66x + 6y = -18
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8 = -2x - 2y	5x + 2y = 22

7. A group of 40 people went to an amusement park. There were 4 times as many children as adults. Write a system of equations to represent the situation. Then solve the system to determine how many adults and how many children there were.

## Sec. 7.2 Practice Problems

Solve each system by substitution.

$$y = 3x - 4 
 y = 5x - 10$$

2) 
$$y = 6x + 10$$
  
 $y = 3x + 4$ 

3) 
$$y = -3x - 7$$
  
 $y = -7x - 19$ 

4) 
$$y = -3x + 16$$
  
 $y = -4x + 21$ 

5) 
$$y = 4x - 20$$
  
 $8x + 3y = 20$ 

6) 
$$y = x + 4$$
  
 $8x - 5y = -14$ 

7) 
$$y = 3x + 3$$
  
 $-4x - 5y = 23$ 

8) 
$$-4x - 6y = 22$$
  
 $y = 2x + 7$ 

9) 
$$x + y = -4$$
  
 $-3x - y = 0$ 

10) 
$$y = 2$$
  
 $-8x + 4y = 8$ 

11) 
$$-5x - 4y = -21$$
  
 $y = 5x - 1$ 

12) 
$$2x + 4y = -12$$
  
 $y = x - 15$ 

13) 
$$6x + 6y = -12$$
  
 $x - 3y = 10$ 

14) 
$$x + y = -1$$
  
 $-7x - 5y = 13$ 

15) 
$$-x - y = -2$$
  
 $-2x + 2y = 16$ 

16) 
$$-6x + 2y = 24$$
  
 $-2x + 6y = 24$ 

17) Amy is 13 years less than twice as old as Bob. Their ages combined add to 50. Write a system of equations to represent this situation. Then solve the system using substitution to determine the ages of Amy and Bob.

## Answers to Sec. 7.2 Practice Problems

1) (3, 5)

(-2, -2)

(-3, 2)

4) (5, 1)

5) (4, -4)

6) (2, 6)

7) (-2, -3)

8) (-4, -1)

9) (2, -6)(1, -3)

10) (0, 2) 14) (-4, 3) 11) (1, 4) (-3,5) 12) (8, -7)16) (-3, 3)

17) A = 2B - 13; A + B = 50; Amy is 29 years old; Bob is 21 years old.