

Write a system of equations to represent the problem situation. Solve the system of equations using the linear combinations method.

1. The high school marching band is selling fruit baskets as a fundraiser. They sell a large basket containing 10 apples and 15 oranges for \$20. They sell a small basket containing 5 apples and 6 oranges for \$8.50. How much is the marching band charging for each apple and each orange?

y = the price of an orange
 x = the price of an apple

$$\begin{array}{r} 10x + 15y = 20 \\ -2(5x + 6y) = (8.50) \cdot -2 \\ \hline 10x + 15y = 20 \\ -10x - 12y = -17 \\ \hline 3y = 3 \\ \frac{3y}{3} = \frac{3}{3} \\ \hline y = 1 \end{array}$$

multiply the bottom equation by -2 creates opposites among the x's
combine the equations
solve for y

$$\begin{array}{r} 10x + 15y = 20 \\ 10x + 15(1) = 20 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10x + 15 = 20 \\ -15 \quad -15 \\ \hline 10x = 5 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{10x}{10} = \frac{5}{10}$$

$$x = 0.5$$

$$(0.5, 1)$$

The marching band charges \$0.50 per apple and \$1 per orange

Substitute y into either equation and solve for x

write your solution as an ordered pair

Solve each system of linear equations.

2. $\begin{cases} 4x - y = 2 \\ 2x + 2y = 26 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8x - 2y = 4 \\ 2x + 2y = 26 \\ \hline 10x = 30 \\ \frac{10x}{10} = \frac{30}{10} \end{array}$$

$$x = 3$$

$$2x + 2y = 26$$

$$2(3) + 2y = 26$$

$$6 + 2y = 26$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -6 \quad -6 \\ \hline 2y = 20 \\ \frac{2y}{2} = \frac{20}{2} \end{array}$$

$$y = 10$$

$$(3, 10)$$

**want to make the y's opposites*

3.

$$\begin{cases} y = \frac{1}{2}x - 3 \\ y = -3x + 5 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x - 3 = -3x + 5$$

$$2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}x - 3 \right) = (-3x + 5) \cdot 2$$

$$x - 6 = -6x + 10$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +6x \quad +6x \\ \hline 7x - 6 = 10 \end{array}$$

$$7x - 6 = 10$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +6 \quad +6 \\ \hline 7x = 16 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{7x}{7} = \frac{16}{7}$$

$$x = \frac{16}{7}$$

$$y = -3\left(\frac{16}{7}\right) + 5$$

$$y = -\frac{48}{7} + \frac{5 \cdot 7}{1 \cdot 7}$$

$$y = -\frac{48}{7} + \frac{35}{7}$$

$$y = -\frac{13}{7}$$

$$\left(\frac{16}{7}, -\frac{13}{7} \right)$$