

**6-4****Practice**

Form K

## Applications of Linear Systems

**Solve each word problem.**

1. The concession stand is selling hot dogs and hamburgers during a game. At halftime, they sold a total of 78 hot dogs and hamburgers and brought in \$105.50. How many of each item did they sell if hamburgers sold for \$1.50 and hot dogs sold for \$1.25?  
**32 hamburgers and 46 hot dogs**
2. The sum of two numbers is 67. The smaller number is 3 less than the larger number. What are the two numbers?  
**35 and 32**
3. There are two different jobs Jordan is considering. The first job will pay her \$4200 per month plus an annual bonus of \$4500. The second job pays \$3100 per month plus \$600 per month toward her rent and an annual bonus of \$500. Which job should she take?  
**the first job**
4. The perimeter of a rectangle is 66 cm and its width is half its length. What are the length and the width of the rectangle?  
**length = 22 cm; width = 11 cm**
5. A chemist is mixing one solution that is 32% sodium and another solution that is 12% sodium. How many liters of each type should the chemist use to produce 50 liters of the solution that is 20% sodium?  
**20 L of the 32% solution and 30 L of the 12% solution**

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## Practice (continued)

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6. A community sponsored a charity square dance where admission was \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. If 168 people attended the dance and the money raised was \$432, how many adults and how many children attended the dance?
- What are the two systems of equations that you could write to solve this problem?  
 $a + c = 168$   
 $3a + 1.5c = 432$
  - What method would you use to solve the system? Why?  
**Answers may vary. For example, you would use elimination by multiplying the top equation by  $-1.5$  to eliminate  $c$ . This involves fewer steps to solve than substitution or graphing.**
  - How many adults and how many children attended the dance?  
**120 adults, 48 children**

Solve each system. Explain why you chose the method you used.

7.  $3y = 4x + 1$   
 $8x - 2y = 10$

**(2, 3); Answers may vary. For example, I used elimination because substitution would involve the use of fractions.**

8.  $-2y = -4x - 2$   
 $3x + 2y = 9$

**(1, 3); Answers may vary. For example, I used substitution because  $y$  can be easily isolated without involving fractions.**

9.  $3x - 3y = -3$   
 $-2x - 3y = 17$

**(-4, -3); Answers may vary. For example, I used elimination because the  $y$ -variable is simply eliminated by multiplying either equation by  $-1$ .**

10.  $x - 2y = 9$   
 $x + 3y = -1$

**(5, -2); Answers may vary. For example, I used elimination because the  $x$ -variable is simply eliminated by multiplying either equation by  $-1$ .**

11. **Open-Ended** Write a system of equations for which you would use substitution to solve.

**Answers may vary. For example,**  
 $2x + 3y = 8$   
 $y = x + 1$

12. A student invested \$5000 in two different savings accounts. The first account pays an annual interest rate of 3%. The second account pays an annual interest rate of 4%. At the end of one year, she had earned \$185 in interest. How much money did she invest in each account?

**\$1500 in the 3% account and \$3500 in the 4% account**