

## UNIT 7: EQUATIONS AND SYSTEMS

**Exercise 1:** Solve the following first degree equations:

a)  $4x - 3 + 5x = 7 - 2x - 4$

c)  $x - 1 - 4x = 5 - 3x - 6$

e)  $5(x + 3) = 2(x - 7)$

g)  $3x + 8(x - 5) = 11(x - 2)$

b)  $8x - 3 - 4x + 2 = 3x - 7 + 4 - x$

d)  $7 + 9x - 2 - 5x = 12 + 4x - 9$

f)  $4 + 5(2x - 1) = 3 + 2(x - 4)$

h)  $8x - 7(2x - 3) = 5(4x + 1) - 26x + 16$

**Exercise 2:** Solve the following equations:

a)  $\frac{x-4}{2} + \frac{5x-3}{3} = \frac{1-2x}{4}$

c)  $\frac{5(x-2)}{8} - x = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3(1-4x)}{2}$

e)  $\frac{5x-9}{45} = \frac{8-3x}{42}$

g)  $\frac{12x-5}{x-9} = \frac{1}{2}$

b)  $1 - \frac{3x-7}{5} = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{5-x}{4}$

d)  $\frac{2(5-x)}{3} - \frac{5(3x-7)}{6} = \frac{2x-7}{9}$

f)  $\frac{3x-7}{2x-3} = \frac{7}{5}$

h)  $\frac{3(x-7)}{5} = \frac{5(4-3x)}{2}$

**Exercise 3:** Solve the following quadratic equations:

a)  $2x^2 - 98 = 0$

c)  $2x^2 - 338 = 0$

e)  $7x^2 - 49x = 0$

g)  $20x^2 - 5 = 0$

i)  $49x^2 - 9 = 0$

b)  $3x^2 + 21x = 0$

d)  $18x^2 + 9x = 0$

f)  $5x^2 - 70 = 0$

h)  $x^2 = 0$

j)  $25x^2 - 1 = 0$

**Exercise 4:** Solve the following second degree equations:

a)  $x^2 - 4x - 21 = 0$

c)  $x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$

e)  $x^2 + 10x + 9 = 0$

g)  $3x^2 + 14x - 5 = 0$

i)  $x^2 - 5x + 7 = 0$

b)  $x^2 + 9x + 20 = 0$

d)  $x^2 - 10x + 16 = 0$

f)  $2x^2 + 2x - 24 = 0$

h)  $x^2 + 18x + 81 = 0$

j)  $9x^2 + 6x + 1 = 0$

**Exercise 5:** Solve these equations:

a)  $(x-5)^2 = 0$

c)  $(x+2)(x-1) = 0$

e)  $(x+7)^2 = 1$

b)  $(x-3)^2 = 4$

d)  $(2x-1)(x-7) = 0$

f)  $(2x-5)^2 = 0$

**Exercise 6:** The difference between the square of a number and such number equals the number plus thirty-five. Find said number.

**Exercise 7:** The width of a rectangular garden is thirteen meters less than the length, and the area is sixty-eight  $\text{m}^2$ . Find the dimensions of the garden.

**Exercise 8:** A rectangle is nine as long as it is wide. Its area is  $1764 \text{ m}^2$ . What are its dimensions?

**Exercise 9:** In an isosceles triangle the length of the altitude is 9 cm longer than length of the base and the area is  $95 \text{ cm}^2$ . Find the length of the altitude.

**Exercise 10:** In a scalene triangle, the length of the base is 12 m less than the length of the altitude and the area is  $54 \text{ m}^2$ . Find the length of the base.

**Exercise 11:** Solve the following equations:

a)  $(x-3)^2 = 49$

b)  $(2x+1)(x-5) = 15x-5$

c)  $(3x-5)^2 - 1 = 12x$

d)  $(1-2x)^2 + (x-3)^2 = 25$

e)  $\frac{x+5}{12} = \frac{5}{x-2}$

f)  $\frac{(x-4)^2}{(x+1)^2} = \frac{1}{4}$

g)  $(3x-1)^2 - (2x+1)(2x-1) = 9x+2$

h)  $(x-4)^2 - 8(1-x) = (2x+5)^2$

**Exercise 12:** Solve:

a)  $(x+1)(x-1) + (x-3)^2 = 2(x+1)$

b)  $(2x+5)(x-3) = 1 - (x+4)^2$

c)  $(x-5)^2 - (x+3)(x-3) = (x+9)^2 + 2x+9$

d)  $\frac{(x-1)^2}{2} - \frac{(x+2)^2}{7} = \frac{x-1}{4}$

**Exercise 13:** Solve these simultaneous equations using the substitution method:

a)  $\begin{cases} x+5y=-4 \\ 5x+2y=3 \end{cases}$

b)  $\begin{cases} x-3y=19 \\ 3x-y=25 \end{cases}$

c)  $\begin{cases} 2x-3y=1 \\ 5x-y=-4 \end{cases}$

d)  $\begin{cases} 5x+y=7 \\ 4x+3y=-1 \end{cases}$

e)  $\begin{cases} x+5y=10 \\ 4x-y=-2 \end{cases}$

f)  $\begin{cases} x+3y=-14 \\ 3x-6y=3 \end{cases}$

**Exercise 14:** Solve these simultaneous equations using the elimination method:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{a) } \begin{cases} 4x - y = 21 \\ 2x + 5y = 5 \end{cases} & \text{b) } \begin{cases} 7x - 2y = 11 \\ x + 5y = 28 \end{cases} & \text{c) } \begin{cases} 3x + 5y = 17 \\ 4x + 3y = 1 \end{cases} \\ \text{d) } \begin{cases} 4x + y = 3 \\ 10x + 3y = 9 \end{cases} & \text{e) } \begin{cases} 9x + 3y = 6 \\ 5x + y = 4 \end{cases} & \text{f) } \begin{cases} 2x - 4y = 9 \\ 3x - 6y = 5 \end{cases} \end{array}$$

**Exercise 15:** Solve these simultaneous equations using the graphical method:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{a) } \begin{cases} x + y = 4 \\ 2x + y = 3 \end{cases} & \text{b) } \begin{cases} x - 5y = 4 \\ 2x - y = 17 \end{cases} & \text{c) } \begin{cases} 2x - y = 3 \\ x - y = 5 \end{cases} \\ \text{d) } \begin{cases} x + 2y = -3 \\ 2x + y = 9 \end{cases} & \text{e) } \begin{cases} 5x + y = 7 \\ x + y = 5 \end{cases} & \text{f) } \begin{cases} x + y = 4 \\ x - y = 7 \end{cases} \end{array}$$

**Exercise 16:** Solve the following systems of equations:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{a) } \begin{cases} \frac{x}{5} + \frac{y}{2} = 9 \\ \frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{7} = 3 \end{cases} & \text{b) } \begin{cases} \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{3y}{5} = 7 \\ \frac{4x}{9} + \frac{6y}{5} = \frac{26}{3} \end{cases} \\ \text{c) } \begin{cases} \frac{2x}{5} - \frac{3y}{2} = -14 \\ \frac{3x}{5} + \frac{9y}{2} = 60 \end{cases} & \text{d) } \begin{cases} \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{3y}{5} = 1 \\ \frac{2x}{7} - \frac{y}{3} = \frac{-59}{7} \end{cases} \end{array}$$

**Exercise 17:** Solve the following simultaneous equations using the indicated method:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{a) } \begin{cases} x - 2y = 5 \\ 3x - 5y = 11 \end{cases} \text{ Substitution} & \text{b) } \begin{cases} 2x - y = 16 \\ 3x + 5y = 11 \end{cases} \text{ Elimination} \\ \text{c) } \begin{cases} x + y = 1 \\ 3x + y = 9 \end{cases} \text{ Graphically} & \text{d) } \begin{cases} \frac{x}{8} + \frac{3y}{4} = 17 \\ \frac{5x}{4} - \frac{7y}{5} = -8 \end{cases} \text{ Whatever} \end{array}$$

**Exercise 18:** Solve and classify the following systems of equations, using the method you prefer:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{a) } \begin{cases} 5x + 2y = 3 \\ 10x + 4y = 8 \end{cases} & \text{b) } \begin{cases} 2x + 4y = 3 \\ 6x - 2y = 2 \end{cases} & \text{c) } \begin{cases} 4x - 4y = 12 \\ 3x - 3y = 9 \end{cases} \end{array}$$

**Exercise 19:** The difference of two numbers is ten and the sum of the double of the first number and the second one is seventy-one. Find the numbers.

**Exercise 20:** In a hostel along the Camino de Santiago we can find double and sextuple rooms. They have a total of 12 rooms and 52 beds. How many rooms of each type are there?

**Exercise 21:** John has a total of seventeen coins, consisting of fifty cents and one euro coins, which total 11€. How many of each type does he have?

**Exercise 22:** A man is three times older than his son and the sum of their ages add up to 52 years. How old are they?

**Exercise 23:** We are going on a field trip to Seville and we want to visit the Cathedral and the Giralda. But we are a lot of people and we cannot enter all at the same time, so we've formed two groups. The first one consists of 23 students and 2 teachers, and they are charged a total of 110€. I will go with the second group, which consists of 30 students 4 teachers, and we are charged a total of 147€. But since I was born in Seville, I don't have to pay the fee to go inside. Lucky me. Knowing that students pay a reduced fee, what are the prices of the tickets for students and adults?

**Exercise 24:** My animal farm is thriving. After three years I have a total of 197 creatures, consisting on little tamed dragons that only eat mice and fluffy sheep frolicking around all day. And a pony. If I have 45% more sheep than dragons, how many animals of each type live together on my farm?  
PS: No animals were hurt during the duration of this problem.

**Exercise 25:** A woman is now 30 years older than her son. 15 years ago, she was twice as old. What are the present ages of the woman and her son?

**Exercise 26:** Two and a half kilos of tomatoes and two kilos of peppers cost 6.85€, while three kilos of tomatoes and one and a half kilos of peppers cost 6.6€. What's the price of a kilo of each product?

**Exercise 27:** Margie is responsible for buying a week's supply of food for the dogs and cats at a local shelter. The food for each dog costs twice as much as those supplies for a cat. She needs to feed 164 cats and 24 dogs. Her budget is €4240. How much can Margie spend on each dog for food?

**Exercise 28:** The price of olives is 3.6€/kg and the price of gherkins is 2.4€/kg. How many kilos of each product must be used to make 2 kilos of a pickles mix that costs 3.15€/kg?

**Exercise 29:** How many liters of 25% alcohol solution and how many of 60% alcohol solution must be mixed to produce 35 liters of 50% solution?

**Exercise 30:** The area of a rectangle gets reduced by 10 square units if its length is reduced by 4 units and its width is increased by 2 units. If we increase the length by 3 units and the width by 4 units, the area is increased by 96 square units. Find the length and width of the rectangle