Worksheet 7.3 – Solving Linear Systems by Linear Combinations – Textbook pages 411-417

LEVEL 1

Solve the linear system using linear combinations. Show your work.

1)
$$x + y = 11$$

 $x - y = 7$

2)
$$3x + y = -8$$

 $-3x + 4y = -2$

3)
$$2x - 4y = 14$$

 $-2x + 3y = -11$

LEVEL 2

Solve the linear system using linear combinations. Show your work.

4)
$$-x - 5y = 30$$

 $2x - 7y = 25$

5)
$$-6x - 6y = -12$$

 $-2x - 2y = -4$

6)
$$-x + 8y = 16$$

 $3x + 4y = 36$

LEVEL 3

Solve the linear system using linear combinations. Show your work.

7)
$$x = 2y - 3$$

 $2y = 3x + 13$

8)
$$4y + 3x = 15$$

 $-3x + 2y = 21$

9)
$$6x = 4y - 6$$

 $2y = -3x + 1$

LEVEL 4

10) The yellow pages identify two different local electrical businesses. Business A charges \$50 for a service call, plus \$36 per hour for labor. Business B charges \$35 for a service call, plus an additional \$39 per hour for labor. Write and solve a system of equations to find when both companies will charge the same amount. Let *x* represent the number of hours for labor and let *y* represent the total charge.

11) There are sixteen workers employed on a highway project, some at \$200 per day and some at \$165 per day. The daily payroll is \$2745. Write a system of equations and solve to find the number of workers employed at each wage.