

## Word Problems

1. A local farm has 15 animals consisting of cows and chickens. Determine the number of each if there are 40 legs on the farm.

Substitution:

Let  $x = \#$  of cows

Let  $y = \#$  of chickens

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 15 && \xrightarrow{(i)} \begin{array}{r} -y \quad -y \\ x + y = 15 \\ \underline{x = 15 - y} \end{array} \\ 4x + 2y &= 40 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) \quad 4x + 2y &= 40 \\ 4(15 - y) + 2y &= 40 \end{aligned}$$

$$60 - 4y + 2y = 40$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 60 - 4y + 2y = 40 \\ \underline{-2y} \quad \underline{-20} \\ 2y = 20 \\ \underline{2} \quad \underline{2} \\ y = 10 \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\underline{y = 10}}$$

$$(iii) \quad x = 15 - y$$

$$x = 15 - 10$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 5}}$$

(iv) There are  
5 cows +  
10 chickens

Elimination:

Let  $x = \#$  of cows

Let  $y = \#$  of chickens

$$\begin{array}{r} \cdot 4 \quad \cdot 4 \\ x + y = 15 \rightarrow 4x + 4y = 60 \end{array}$$

$$4x + 2y = 40 \rightarrow \underline{4x + 2y = 40}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2y = 20 \\ \underline{2} \quad \underline{2} \\ y = 10 \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\underline{y = 10}}$$

$$x + y = 15$$

$$x + \underline{10} = 15$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 5}}$$

There are 5 cows and 10 chickens.

2. The next JMH play is called "The Love of Math". The tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for adults. People are so excited that 261 tickets were sold in advance. How many student and adult tickets were sold if the total amount collected was \$1840.

**Substitution:**

Let  $x =$  # of students

Let  $y =$  # of adults

$$x + y = 261 \rightarrow \overset{(i)}{x + y = 261} \quad \begin{matrix} -y & -y \end{matrix}$$

$$5x + 10y = 1840$$

$$\underline{x = 261 - y}$$

$$(ii) \ x = 261 - y$$

$$x = 261 - 107$$

$$x = 154$$

$$(iii) \ 5x + 10y = 1840$$

$$5(261 - y) + 10y = 1840$$

$$1305 - \underline{5y} + \underline{10y} = 1840$$

$$1305 + \underline{5y} = 1840$$

$$\underline{5y} = \underline{535}$$

$$\underline{y = 107}$$

(iv) There are  
154 students  
and 107 adults

**Elimination:**

Let  $x =$  # of students

Let  $y =$  # of adults

$$\begin{matrix} \cdot -5 & \cdot -5 & \cdot -5 \end{matrix} \quad x + y = 261 \rightarrow -5x - 5y = -1305$$

$$5x + 10y = 1840 \rightarrow \overset{(+)}{5x + 10y = 1840}$$

$$\underline{5y} = \underline{535}$$

$$\underline{y = 107}$$

$$x + y = 261$$

$$x + 107 = 261$$

$$\underline{x = 154}$$

There are 154 students and 107 adults at the show

3. The admission fee at a small fair is \$1.50 for children and \$4.00 for adults. On a certain day, 2200 people enter the fair and \$5050 is collected. How many children and how many adults attended?

Substitution:

Let  $x = \#$  of children

Let  $y = \#$  of adults

$$x + y = 2200$$

$$1.5x + 4y = 5050$$

$$\rightarrow (i) x = \underline{-y + 2200}$$

$$(ii) 1.5x + 4y = 5050$$

$$1.5(\underline{-y + 2200}) + 4y = 5050$$

$$-1.5y + 3300 + 4y = 5050$$

$$2.5y + 3300 = 5050$$

$$\frac{2.5y}{2.5} = \frac{1750}{2.5}$$

$$\underline{y = 700}$$

$$(iii) x + \underline{y} = 2200$$

$$x + \underline{700} = 2200$$

$$x = 2200 - 700$$

$$\underline{x = 1500}$$

(iv) 1500 children  
and 700 adults

4. Nigel has \$6000 to invest. His bank offers an interest rate of 9% on an ABC investment and 11% on the GTA investment. If he makes \$572 in interest, how much did he invest in each one?

# Homework

*Systems of Equations  
Word Problems.*

1. Let  $B$  = bushes  
 $t$  = trees

$$\begin{array}{r} 13b + 4t = 487 \quad (1) \\ 6b + 2t = 232 \quad (2) \\ \hline 13b + 4t = 487 \quad (1) \\ \textcircled{2} \times -2 \quad -12b - 4t = -464 \quad (2) \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$(1) + (2) \quad b = 23 \quad (4)$

Sub  $(4)$  in  $(1)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 13(23) + 4(t) = 487 \\ 299 + 4t = 487 \\ 4t = 487 - 299 \\ 4t = 188 \\ \frac{4t}{4} = \frac{188}{4} \\ t = 47 \end{array}$$

Bushes cost \*23

2.  $x = 2$  point questions  
 $y = 5$  point questions

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{total} \quad x + y = 50 \quad (1) \\ \text{value} \quad 2x + 5y = 145 \quad (2) \\ (1) \times -2 \quad -2x - 2y = -100 \quad (3) \\ \hline \quad \quad \quad 2x + 5y = 145 \quad (2) \\ (3) + (2) \quad \quad \quad 3y = 45 \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \frac{3}{3} \quad \quad \quad \frac{45}{3} \\ \hline \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad y = 15 \quad (4) \\ \text{Sub (4) in (1)} \quad x + 15 = 50 \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad x = 50 - 15 \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad x = 35 \end{array}$$

There are 35 two point questions  
15 five point questions

3.  $x = 2$  point  
 $y = 3$  point

$$\begin{array}{r} x + y = 37 \quad (1) \\ 2x + 3y = 80 \quad (2) \\ (1) \times -2 \quad -2x - 2y = -74 \quad (3) \\ \underline{2x + 3y = 80} \quad (2) \\ (3) + (2) \quad \underline{1y = 6} \quad (4) \\ \text{sub (4) in (1)} \quad x + 6 = 37 \\ x = 37 - 6 \\ x = 31 \end{array}$$

The Lakers made 31 ~~may~~ two point baskets  
and 6 ~~#~~ three point baskets.

$$4. \quad \begin{aligned} x &= T/F \text{ (3 points)} \\ y &= MC \text{ (11 each)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 20 \quad (1) \\ 3x + 11y &= 100 \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \times -3 & \quad -3x - 3y = -60 \quad (3) \\ (2) & \quad 3x + 11y = 100 \quad (2) \\ \hline (3) + (2) & \quad 8y = 40 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{8y}{8} &= \frac{40}{8} \\ y &= 5 \quad (4) \\ \text{sub (4) in (1)} & \quad x + 5 = 20 \\ x &= 20 - 5 \\ x &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

There are 5 multiple choice and 15 true false questions.

5.  $x = \text{Waterslide}$   
 $y = \text{Ferris Wheel}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x + 3y = 17.70 \quad (1) \\ 2x + 3y = 15.55 \quad (2) \\ \hline 3x + 3y = 17.70 \quad (1) \\ @x -1 \quad -2x - 3y = -15.55 \quad (3) \\ \hline (1) + (3) \quad x = 2.15 \quad (4) \end{array}$$

Sub (4) in (1)

$$\begin{array}{r} 3(2.15) + 3y = 17.70 \\ 6.45 + 3y = 17.70 \\ 3y = 17.70 - 6.45 \\ 3y = 11.25 \\ y = 3.75 \end{array}$$

Waterslide \* 2.15  
Ferris Wheel \* 3.75

Rerris Wheel \$3.75

$$\begin{array}{r} 6. \quad 5x + 2y = 48 \quad (1) \\ \quad \quad 3x + 2y = 32 \quad (2) \\ \hline \quad \quad 5x + 2y = 48 \quad (1) \\ (2) \times -1 \quad -3x - 2y = -32 \quad (3) \\ \hline (1) + (3) \quad 2x = 16 \\ \quad \quad \quad x = 8 \quad (4) \end{array}$$

sub (4) in (1)

$$\begin{array}{r} 5(8) + 2y = 48 \\ 40 + 2y = 48 \\ 2y = 48 - 40 \\ 2y = 8 \\ y = 4 \end{array}$$

Adult ticket = \$8  
Student ticket = \$4

7.  $x = \text{children } \$1.50$   
 $y = \text{adult } \$4.00$

$$\begin{array}{r} x + y = 2200 \quad (1) \\ 1.50x + 4y = 5050 \quad (2) \\ \textcircled{1} \times -4 \quad -4x - 4y = -8800 \quad (3) \\ \hline \textcircled{3} + \textcircled{2} \quad 1.50x + 4y = 5050 \quad (2) \\ \quad \quad \quad -4x - 4y = -8800 \quad (3) \\ \hline \quad \quad \quad -2.50x = -3750 \\ \quad \quad \quad x = 1500 \quad (4) \end{array}$$

sub  $(4)$  in  $(1)$

$$\begin{array}{l} 1500 + y = 2200 \\ y = 2200 - 1500 \\ y = 700 \end{array}$$

1500 student tickets  
 700 adult tickets.

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