10.8 Simultaneous Linear Equations

1. Solve each of the following pairs of simultaneous equations:

$$(a) x + y = 14$$
$$x - y = 4$$

$$(b) x - y = -1$$
$$2x - y = 0$$

$$3x - y = 9$$
$$4x - y = -14$$

$$(d) y - x = -1$$
$$3x - y = 5$$

(e)
$$5x + 4y = 4$$

 $3x + 4y = 8$

$$3x + 5y = 5$$
$$3x + 9y = -3$$

$$(g) \quad 3x + 2y = 0$$

(h)
$$3x - y = -2$$

 $x - 3y = 10$

(i)
$$3x - 2y = 7$$
$$4x + y = 13$$

$$-x + y = 5$$
(j)
$$3a - b = 9$$

(k)
$$3x - 8y = 1$$

 $6x - 7y = 25$

(1)
$$2m + 5n = 24$$

 $4m + 3n = 20$

$$2a + 2b = 14$$
(m) $2x + 7y = 17$

$$(n) 5u - 2v = 9$$

(m)
$$2x + 7y = 17$$

 $5x + 3y = -1$

$$5u - 2v = 9$$
$$7u - 5v = 28$$

2. Solve the simultaneous equations

$$x + y = 4$$
$$15x + 25y = 76$$

3. Solve the following equations:

(a)
$$x + y = 7$$
$$x - y = 3$$

$$(b) x - 3y = 7$$
$$x - y = 3$$

(c)
$$3x + y = 13$$

 $5x - y = 35$

(d)
$$3x + 3y = 15$$

 $3x - 5y = -41$

(e)
$$3x + 2y + 7 = 0$$
 (f) $5x - 2y + 1 = 0$

$$3x + y = 17$$
$$3x - y = 19$$

$$(g) \quad 3x + 2y = 8$$
$$2y - 5x = 8$$

(h)
$$2x = 5 - y$$
$$3y = 1 - 2x$$

(i)
$$7x - y + 23 = 0$$

 $x + 2y - 1 = 0$

$$(j) \quad 3x - 5y = 31 \\
 x + 3y = 1$$

$$(k) x + 3y = 7$$
$$y - 4x = 11$$

(1)
$$3x + 7y = -15$$

 $x - 3y = 11$

4. Suvinder spends £26 on 100 postage stamps. If x of them are 20p stamps and the remaining y are 35p stamps, write down two equations in x and y and solve them.

- 5. Harry pays £8.50 for 5 kg of flour and 3 kg of sugar. Sarah pays £13.20 for 8 kg of flour and 4 kg of sugar. If the cost of flour is £x per kg and the cost of sugar is £y per kg, write down two equations in x and y and solve them.
- 6. John and David have £14.00 altogether. If John's money is doubled and David's tripled, they will have £34.00 altogether. How much does each boy have?
- 7. A retailer can buy either two television sets and three video-recorders for £3750, or four television sets and one video-recorder for £4250. What is the cost of a television set? What is the cost of a video-recorder?
- 8. A toothbrush and a tube of toothpaste cost £4.15; the toothbrush costs 25p less than the tube of toothpaste. Find the cost of each item.
- 9. A grocer wants to mix a type of spice which costs £22 per kilogram with another type which costs £12 per kilogram, to obtain 20 kilograms of mixture which will cost £15 per kilogram. What quantity of each spice must the grocer take?
- Mrs Rogers bought 3 blouses and 2 scarves. She paid £26.

Mrs Summers bought 4 blouses and 1 scarf. She paid £28.

The cost of a blouse was x pounds.

The cost of a scarf was y pounds.

- (a) Use the information to write down two equations in x and y.
- (b) Solve these equations to find the cost of one blouse.
- 11. Solve

$$3x - 2y = 3$$

$$x + 4y = 8$$

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12. Solve the simultaneous equations

$$y = 2x + 3$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 2$$

You must show your working.

Do not use trial and improvement.

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