

**Solve where  $y =$  and  $y =$   
(setting the equations equal to one  
another)**

Maths

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1. Solve these pairs of equations.

a)  $y = x^2$   
 $y = 2x + 3$

b)  $y = x^2 - 14$   
 $y = 10 - 5x$

2. Solve this pair of equations

$$y = x^2 + 4x - 3$$

$$y = 4x$$

3. Verify that  $x = 2.62$  and  $y = 6.85$  (correct to 2 decimal places) is a solution to both these equations.

$$y = x^2$$

$$y = 3x - 1$$

What is the other solution?



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4. Matt is solving the simultaneous equations.

$$y = x^2 + 4$$
$$y = 6x - 4$$

He equates the two expressions for  $y$  and starts to rearrange.

$$x^2 + 4 = 6x - 4$$

$$x^2 - 6x = 0$$

Where has Matt gone wrong?

Correct Matt's work and go on to solve the simultaneous equations.



# Answers



# Solve where $y =$ and $y =$

1. Solve these pairs of equations.

a)  $y = x^2$

$$y = 2x + 3$$

$$x = 3 \text{ and } y = 9 \text{ and } x = -1 \text{ and } y = 1$$

b)  $y = x^2 - 14$

$$y = 10 - 5x$$

$$x = 3 \text{ and } y = -5 \text{ and } x = -8 \text{ and } y = 50$$

2. Solve this pair of equations

$$y = x^2 + 4x - 3 \quad x = \sqrt{3} \text{ and } y = 4\sqrt{3}$$

and

$$y = 4x \quad x = -\sqrt{3} \text{ and } y = -4\sqrt{3}$$

3. Verify that  $x = 2.62$  and  $y = 6.85$  (correct to 2 decimal places) is a solution to both these equations,  $y = x^2$  and  $y = 3x - 1$

$$y = x^2 \text{ and } y = 3x - 1$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{3^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 1}}{2 \times 1} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = 2.618... \text{ so } x = 2.62 \text{ to 2 d.p.}$$

$$y = \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 = 6.854... \text{ so } y = 6.85 \text{ to 2 d.p.}$$

What is the other solution?

$$x = 0.38 \text{ and } y = 0.15$$



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$$x^2 - 6x + 8 = 0$$

Correct Matt's work and go on to solve the simultaneous equations.

$$x = 4, y = 20 \text{ and } x = 2, y = 8$$

