Solve simultaneous linear equations where you need to multiply one of the equations

Maths



1. Here are two equations.

$$f + g = 20$$

$$2f + 2g = 40$$

- a) What is the same? What is different?
- b) Which of these statements about the two equations do you agree with? Why?

The equations look different so f and g have different values.

The equations are equivalent so f and g always have the same values.

2. In each of the following, make the coefficient of x or y the same

$$x + 4y = -1$$

2x - 2y = 8

$$3x + 7y = 37$$

 $9x + 4y = 43$

$$4x - 2y = 19$$

 $x + 10y = 10$

$$6x + 5y = -4$$

 $4x - 15y = 34$

3. Here are a pair of simultaneous equations.

$$f + g = 19$$

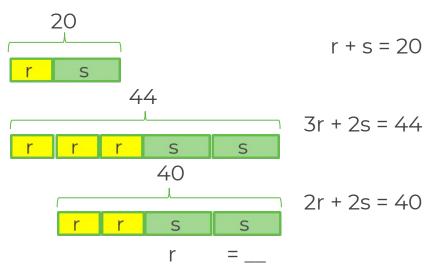
 $3f - 2g = 8$

Is f = 10 and g = 9 a solution to both these equations?

Give a reason for your answer.



4. Use the bar models to help you find the value of r and the value of s.



$$r =$$
 and $s =$ $=$ $=$ 20

5. Solve these pairs of equations.

a)
$$x + 4y = -1$$
 b) $3x + 7y = 37$
 $2x - 2y = 8$ $9x + 4y = 43$

c)
$$4x - 2y = 19$$
 d) $6x + 5y = -4$
 $x + 10y = 10$ $4x - 15y = 34$

6. There are 16 animals in a field.
There are chickens (c) and sheep (s).
There are 40 legs in total.
How many sheep are in the field?



Answers



1. Here are two equations.

- a) What is the same? What is different? Same letters (variables).

 The second equation is double
- b) Which of these statements about the two equations do you agree with? Why?

The equations look different so f and g have different values.

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2. In each of the following, make the coefficient of x or y the same

3. Here are a pair of simultaneous equations.

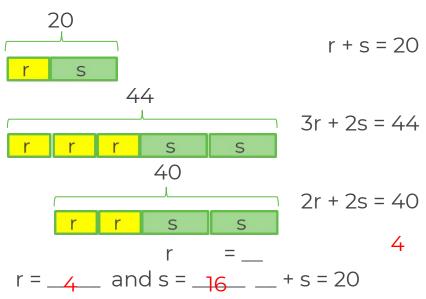
$$f + g = 19$$

 $3f - 2g = 8$

Is f = 10 and g = 9 a solution to both these equations? No $3 \times 10 - 2 \times 9 \neq 8$ Give a reason for your answer.



4. Use the bar models to help you find the value of r and the value of s.



5. Solve these pairs of equations

a)
$$x + 4y = -1$$
 b) $3x + 7y = 37$

$$2x - 2y = 8$$

$$x = 3, y = -1$$

c)
$$4x - 2y = 19$$
 d) $6x + 5y = -4$

$$x + 10y = 10$$

$$x = 5, y = 0.5$$

b)
$$3x + 7y = 37$$

$$9x + 4y = 43$$

$$x = 3, y = 4$$

d)
$$6x + 5y = -4$$

$$4x - 15y = 34$$

$$x = 1, y = -2$$



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There are 40 legs in total.

How many sheep are in the field?

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c + s = 16
2c + 4s = 40
c = 12 and s = 4
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