

Algebra I

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(Mixed Practice)

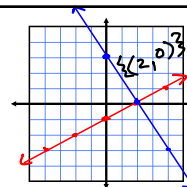
Solving Systems: Choose your Method

Review of the Graphing Method

*1) $y = \frac{1}{2}x - 1$

$m = \frac{1}{2}$
 $b = (0, -1)$

$3x + 2y = 6$
 $3x - 3x + 2y = -3x + 6$
 $2y = -\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{6}{2}$
 $y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 3$



What are the problems associated with the Graphing Method?

might cross off the graph,
might not cross at a nice point,
slow and inaccurate.

When is it advisable to use the Graphing Method?

almost never. **MAYBE** if both are in $y = mx + b$ form.

Review of the Substitution Method.

*2) $y = 2x + 1$

$x + 2y = -8$

$x + 2(2x + 1) = -8$

$x + 4x + 2 = -8$

$5x + 2 = -8 - 2$

$5x = -10$

$x = -2$

$y = 2(-2) + 1$
 $= -4 + 1$
 $= -3$

$\{(-2, -3)\}$

What are the problems associated with the Substitution Method?

A letter isn't always by itself.
Fractions can get nasty
Better than graphing, but still slow.

When is it a good idea to use the Substitution Method?

If a letter is by itself, might be fastest.

Review of the Linear Transformation Method.

*3) $2x + y = 5$

$+ x - y = 4$

$3x = 9$

$x = 3$

$2(3) + y = 5$

$6 + y = 5$

$y = -1$

$\{(3, -1)\}$

When should I use the Linear Transformation Method?

Almost always.

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1, 3 \rightarrow Graph

4, 6 \rightarrow Substitution

7, 9 \rightarrow Linear Transformation

10, 12 \rightarrow Your Choice