

General Algebra 2 Worksheet #6 Unit 3 selected solutions

2. The sum of two numbers is 100. The first number is two less than five times the second. What are the numbers?

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{first number : } x & x + y = 100 & (5y - 2) + y = 100 \\ \text{second number : } y & x = 5y - 2 & 6y - 2 = 100 \\ & & 6y = 102 \\ & & y = 17 \\ & & x = 83 \end{array}$$

The first number is 83, and the second is 17.

4. Coffee worth 80¢ per pound is mixed with coffee worth 50¢ per pound to produce a twenty pound blend worth 68¢ per pound. How many pounds of each type of coffee is used?

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{Am't of coffee @ 80¢ per pound: } x & x + y = 20 \text{ (pounds)} & -5x - 5y = -100 \\ \text{Am't of coffee @ 50¢ per pound: } y & 80x + 50y = 1360 \text{ (cents)} & 8x + 5y = 136 \\ \text{Note: 20 pounds @ 68¢ per per pound has a total value of 1360¢.} & & 3x = 36 \\ \text{Use 12 pounds @ 80¢ per pound and 8 pounds @ 50¢ per pound.} & & x = 12 \text{ and } y = 8 \end{array}$$

8. A collection of ordinary dimes and nickels is worth \$6.65. The number of nickels is seven less than two times the number of dimes. How many coins of each type are in the collection?

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{Number of dimes: } d & n = 2d - 7 & 10d + 5(2d - 7) = 665 \\ \text{Number of nickels: } n & 10d + 5n = 665 & 10d + 10d - 35 = 635 \\ \text{Value of the dimes: } 10d \text{ (cents)} & & 20d - 35 = 635 \\ \text{Value of the nickels } 5n \text{ (cents)} & & 20d = 700 \\ \text{There are 35 dimes and 63 nickels.} & & d = 35 \text{ and } n = 63 \end{array}$$

10. \$5000 is to be divided between two people so that one receives \$500 more than twice what the other receives. How much will each person receive?

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{Am't received by one person: } x & x + y = 5000 & x + (2x + 500) = 5000 \\ \text{Am't received by other person: } y & y = 2x + 500 & 3x + 500 = 5000 \\ & & 3x = 4500 \\ & & x = 1500 \\ & & y = 3500 \end{array}$$

One receives \$1500, and the other receives \$3500.