

## 3.2 Solving Systems by Substitution

SWBAT solve a system of equations by using substitution.

### STEPS:

1. Pick one equation and solve for  $y$  (or  $x$ , but pick one variable only)
2. Substitute what the “ $y$ ” is equal to into the second equation.  
\*\*\*When you do this, the second equation should only have one variable now!
3. Simplify the equation, and solve for  $x$ .
4. Substitute the value of  $x$  into either the first or second equation  
\*\*\*When you do this, you should only have one  $y$  in the equation!
5. Solve for  $y$ , and write your solution as an ordered pair

#### Using Substitution

What is the solution of the system? Use substitution.

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 3x \\ x + y &= -32 \end{aligned}$$

What is the solution of the system? Use substitution.

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 2x + 7 \\ y &= x - 1 \end{aligned}$$

#### Solving for a Variable and Using Substitution

What is the solution of the system? Use substitution.

$$\begin{aligned} 3y + 4x &= 11 \\ -2x + y &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

What is the solution of the system? Use substitution.

$$\begin{aligned} 6y + 5x &= 10 \\ x + 3y &= -7 \end{aligned}$$

### Systems with Infinitely Many Solutions or No Solution

How many solutions does each system have? Solve using substitution.

a)  $x = -2y + 4$   
 $3.5x + 7y = 14$

b)  $y = 3x - 11$   
 $y - 3x = -13$

**Lesson Check!** Solve each system using substitution. Check your solution.

1.  $4y = x$   
 $3x - y = 70$

$-2x + 5y = 19$   
2.  $3x - 4 = y$

Tell whether the system has one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solution.

3.  $y = 2x + 1$   
 $4x - 2y = 6$

$-x + \frac{1}{2}y = 13$   
4.  $x + 15 = \frac{1}{2}y$

**Challenge!** In a talent show of singing and comedy acts, singing acts are 5 minutes long and comedy acts are 3 minutes long. The show has 12 acts and lasts 50 minutes. How many singing acts and how many comedy acts are in the show?