

Notebooks and Pens

A store sells pens at \$2 and notebooks at \$5.

n = number of notebooks sold.

p = number of pens sold.

The following equations are true:

$$4n = p$$

$$5n + 2p = 39$$



Here is what Dan and Emma think the equations mean:

I think the first equation means that the store sells four times as many notebooks as pens.



Dan



Emma

I think the second equation means that the store sold 5 notebooks and 2 pens.

Are Dan and Emma correct?

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If you think Dan is wrong, explain the mistake and explain what *you* think the equation means.

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If you think Emma is wrong, explain the mistake and explain what *you* think the equation means.

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Figure out for yourself the number of pens and the number of notebooks sold in the store.

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Cash Registers

The drawer of a cash register contains some quarters and some dollar bills.

x = the number of quarter coins in the cash register.

y = the number of dollar bills in the cash register.

The following two equations are true:

$$3x = y$$

$$4x + y = 70$$



1. Explain in words the meaning of each equation.

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2. Find two pairs of values for x and y that satisfy the first equation.

3. Find two pairs of values for x and y that satisfy the second equation.

4. Find pairs of values for x and y that satisfy both equations *simultaneously*.

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