

Notes from Teacher Instruction

BUSINESS 1:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \$387,500 + \$1.25x = \$40x \\
 - \cancel{\$1.25x} \quad - \cancel{\$1.25x} \\
 \hline
 \$387,500 = \$38.75x \\
 \frac{\$387,500}{\$38.75} = \frac{\$38.75x}{\$38.75} \\
 10,000 = x
 \end{array}$$

IF THE COMPANY SELLS 10,000 ITEMS, THEY WILL BREAK EVEN.

BUSINESS 2:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \$100,000 + \$40x = \$40x \\
 - \cancel{\$40x} \quad - \cancel{\$40x} \\
 \hline
 \$100,000 = \$0 \leftarrow \text{FALSE}
 \end{array}$$

THIS COMPANY WILL NEVER BREAK EVEN B/C THEY CHARGE THEIR CUSTOMERS EXACTLY WHAT IT COSTS THEM TO PRODUCE EACH ITEM.

BUSINESS 3:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \$27x + \$1850 + \$2500 = \$30x - \$3x + \$4350 \\
 \$27x + \$4350 = \$27x + \$4350 \\
 - \cancel{\$27x} \quad - \cancel{\$27x} \\
 \hline
 \$4350 = \$4350 \leftarrow \text{TRUE}
 \end{array}$$

THIS COMPANY WILL ALWAYS BREAK EVEN B/C THEIR EXPENSES WILL ALWAYS MATCH THEIR EARNED INCOME.

Solution

value that makes an equation, a system of equations, or an inequality true

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{5} - 3x = -7 \\ \cancel{-5} \quad \quad \quad \cancel{-5} \\ \hline -3x = -12 \\ \cancel{-3} \quad \quad \quad \cancel{-3} \\ \hline x = 4 \end{array}$$

Check

$$\begin{aligned} 5 - 3x &= -7 \\ 5 - 3(4) &= -7 \\ 5 - 12 &= -7 \\ -7 &= -7 \end{aligned}$$



$x = 4$ ← One solution

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Equation is true only when $x = 4$.

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No Solution

when there are no values that make an equation, a system of equations or an inequality true

$$\begin{array}{r} -2x + 1 = 3 - 2x \\ \cancel{-1} \quad \quad \quad \cancel{-1} \\ \hline -2x = 2 - 2x \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2x = 2 - 2x \\ \cancel{+2x} \quad \quad \quad \cancel{+2x} \\ \hline 0 \neq 2 \end{array}$$

← No solution

Equation is never true, no matter the value of x .

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