



CREST Mathematics Olympiad (CMO) Worksheet *for* Class 10



Topic

Quadratic and Linear Equations



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Worksheet on Quadratic and Linear Equations

1. What is the solution of the following pair of linear equations $5x + y = 10$ and $10x - 7y = 50$?
 - a. $x = -\frac{8}{3}$ and $y = \frac{10}{3}$
 - b. $x = -\frac{8}{3}$ and $y = -\frac{10}{3}$
 - c. $x = \frac{8}{3}$ and $y = \frac{10}{3}$
 - d. $x = \frac{8}{3}$ and $y = -\frac{10}{3}$
2. If α and β are the roots of the equation $x^2 + 6x + 8 = 0$, then which of the following equations has roots $(\alpha + \beta)^2$ and $(\alpha - \beta)^2$?
 - a. $x^2 - 144x + 40 = 0$
 - b. $x^2 + 144x - 40 = 0$
 - c. $x^2 + 40x - 144 = 0$
 - d. $x^2 - 40x + 144 = 0$
3. The ratio between a two-digit number and the sum of digits of that number is 5 : 2. If the digit in the unit place is 4 more than the digit in the tenth place, then what is the number?
 - a. 25
 - b. 18
 - c. 15
 - d. 38
4. For which values of p and q , will the following pair of linear equations $3x + 2y = 7$ and $(3p + 10q)x + (p + 4q)y = 2p - q + 1$ have infinitely many solutions?
 - a. $p = -\frac{8}{33}$ and $q = \frac{1}{11}$
 - b. $p = -\frac{8}{11}$ and $q = \frac{1}{11}$
 - c. $p = \frac{8}{33}$ and $q = -\frac{1}{11}$
 - d. $p = \frac{8}{11}$ and $q = -\frac{1}{11}$
5. What is the value of 'p' if the product of roots of the given quadratic equation $(p + 7)x^2 - (2p - 11)x + (3p - 4) = 0$ is $\frac{13}{5}$?
 - a. 45.5
 - b. 55.5
 - c. 65.5
 - d. 75.5

Answer Key

1. $d - x = \frac{8}{3}$ and $y = -\frac{10}{3}$

Explanation: We are given a pair of linear equations in two variables

$$5x + y = 10 \dots (1)$$

$$10x - 7y = 50 \dots (2)$$

Now, express the value of y in terms of x from the equation (1),

$$y = 10 - 5x \dots (3)$$

Now we substitute this value of y in Equation (2),

$$\rightarrow 10x - 7(10 - 5x) = 50$$

$$\rightarrow 10x - 70 + 35x = 50$$

$$\rightarrow 45x = 50 + 70$$

$$\rightarrow 45x = 120$$

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{120}{45}$$

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{8}{3}$$

Substitute this value of $x = \frac{8}{3}$ in equation (3) to find the value of y .

$$\rightarrow y = 10 - 5\left(\frac{8}{3}\right)$$

$$\rightarrow y = 10 - \frac{40}{3}$$

$$\rightarrow y = \frac{30 - 40}{3}$$

$$\rightarrow y = -\frac{10}{3}$$

Thus, $x = \frac{8}{3}$ and $y = -\frac{10}{3}$

2. $d - x^2 - 40x + 144 = 0$

Explanation: We are given $x^2 + 6x + 8 = 0$

Here, $a = 1$, $b = 6$ and $c = 8$

We know that the roots of the quadratic equation are given by

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{-6 + \sqrt{[(6)^2 - 4(1)(8)]}}{2(1)} \text{ and } x = \frac{-6 - \sqrt{[(6)^2 - 4(1)(8)]}}{2(1)}$$

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{-6 + \sqrt{(36) - (32)}}{2} \text{ and } x = \frac{-6 - \sqrt{(36) - (32)}}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{-6 + \sqrt{4}}{2} \text{ and } x = \frac{-6 - \sqrt{4}}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{-6 + 2}{2} \text{ and } x = \frac{-6 - 2}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{-4}{2} \text{ and } x = \frac{-8}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow x = -2 \text{ and } x = -4$$

Thus, $\alpha = -2$ and $\beta = -4$ are the roots of the given quadratic equation.

$$\text{Now, } \alpha + \beta = -2 + (-4) = -2 - 4 = -6$$

$$\rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 = (-6)^2 = 36$$

$$\text{Also, } \alpha - \beta = -2 - (-4) = -2 + 4 = 2$$

$$\rightarrow (\alpha - \beta)^2 = (2)^2 = 4$$

We know that a quadratic equation is obtained by the formula
 $x^2 - (\text{Sum of roots})x + \text{Product of roots} = 0$

Thus, the quadratic equation with $(\alpha + \beta)^2$ and $(\alpha - \beta)^2$ as roots is:

$$\rightarrow x^2 - [(\alpha + \beta)^2 + (\alpha - \beta)^2]x + [(\alpha + \beta)^2 \times (\alpha - \beta)^2] = 0$$

$$\rightarrow x^2 - [36 + 4]x + [36 \times 4] = 0$$

$$\rightarrow x^2 - 40x + 144 = 0$$

3. c - 15

Explanation: Let the digit in the tenth place be a and the digit in the unit place be b .

Hence, the number is $10a + b$.

We are given that the ratio between a two-digit number and the sum of digits of that number is $5 : 2$.

$$\rightarrow \frac{10a + b}{a + b} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow 2(10a + b) = 5(a + b)$$

$$\rightarrow 20a + 2b = 5a + 5b$$

$$\rightarrow 20a - 5a = 5b - 2b$$

$$\rightarrow 15a = 3b$$

$$\rightarrow b = 5a$$

$$\rightarrow b = 5a \dots (1)$$

We are also given that the digit in the unit place is 4 more than the digit in the tenth place.
 $\rightarrow b = a + 4 \dots (2)$

Now, substitute the value of $b = 5a$ in equation (2),

$$\rightarrow 5a = a + 4$$

$$\rightarrow 5a - a = 4$$

$$\rightarrow 4a = 4$$

$$\rightarrow a = 1$$

$$\rightarrow a = 1$$

Putting the value of a in equation (1) to find the value of b ,

$$\rightarrow b = 5(1)$$

$$\rightarrow b = 5$$

Thus, the required number $= 10a + b = 10(1) + 5 = 15$

4. $a - p = -8/33$ and $q = 1/11$

Explanation: We are given the pair of linear equations

$$3x + 2y = 7$$

$$(3p + 10q)x + (p + 4q)y = 2p - q + 1$$

Here, $a_1 = 3$, $a_2 = 3p + 10q$, $b_1 = 2$, $b_2 = p + 4q$, $c_1 = 7$ and $c_2 = 2p - q + 1$



For infinitely many solutions, $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$

Thus, $\frac{3}{3p + 10q} = \frac{2}{p + 4q} = \frac{7}{2p - q + 1}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{3p + 10q} = \frac{2}{p + 4q}$ and $\frac{3}{3p + 10q} = \frac{7}{2p - q + 1}$

First solving,

$$\left(\frac{3}{3p + 10q}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{p + 4q}\right)$$

$$\rightarrow 3(p + 4q) = 2(3p + 10q)$$

$$\rightarrow 3p + 12q = 6p + 20q$$

$$\rightarrow 3p - 6p = 20q - 12q$$

$$\rightarrow -3p = 8q$$

$$\rightarrow p = -\frac{8}{3}q \dots (1)$$

Now solving,

$$\left(\frac{3}{3p + 10q}\right) = \left(\frac{7}{2p - q + 1}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\rightarrow 3(2p - q + 1) &= 7(3p + 10q) \\ \rightarrow 6p - 3q + 3 &= 21p + 70q \\ \rightarrow 6p - 21p + 3 &= 70q + 3q \\ \rightarrow -15p + 3 &= 73q \dots (2)\end{aligned}$$

Substituting the value of p in equation (2)

$$\begin{aligned}\rightarrow -15\left(-\frac{8}{3}q\right) + 3 &= 73q \\ \rightarrow -5(-8q) + 3 &= 73q \\ \rightarrow 40q + 3 &= 73q \\ \rightarrow 40q - 73q &= -3 \\ \rightarrow -33q &= -3 \\ \rightarrow q &= \frac{-3}{-33} \\ \rightarrow q &= \frac{1}{11}\end{aligned}$$

Now put the value of q in equation (1) to find the value of p

$$\begin{aligned}\rightarrow p &= -\frac{8}{3}q \\ \rightarrow p &= -\frac{8}{3}\left(\frac{1}{11}\right) \\ \rightarrow p &= -\frac{8}{33}\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $p = -\frac{8}{33}$ and $q = \frac{1}{11}$.

5. b – 55.5

Explanation: We are given the quadratic equation $(p + 7)x^2 - (2p - 11)x + (3p - 4) = 0$

Here $a = p + 7$, $b = -(2p - 11)$ and $c = 3p - 4$

We know that the product of roots of a quadratic equation = $\frac{c}{a}$

Product of the roots of the given quadratic equation = $\frac{13}{5}$

$$\begin{aligned}\rightarrow \left(\frac{3p - 4}{p + 7}\right) &= \frac{13}{5} \\ \rightarrow 13 \times (p + 7) &= 5 \times (3p - 4) \\ \rightarrow 13p + 91 &= 15p - 20 \\ \rightarrow 91 + 20 &= 15p - 13p \\ \rightarrow 111 &= 2p \\ \rightarrow p &= \frac{111}{2} \\ \rightarrow p &= 55.5\end{aligned}$$

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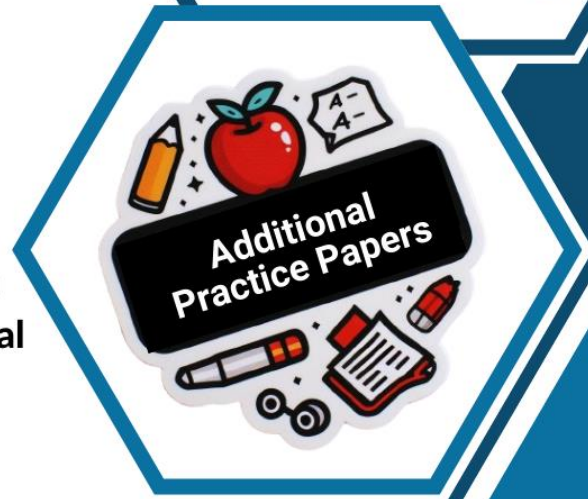
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