

# Riddle ws.

"Why Does the President Put Vegetables in His Blender?"

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \boxed{y} = 2x = 2(4) = 8$$
$$x + \boxed{y} = 12 \quad \boxed{(4, 8)}$$

$$x + 2x = 12$$
$$3x = 12$$
$$x = 4$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \boxed{x} = 3y - 1 = 3(2) - 1 = 5$$
$$\boxed{x} + 2y = 9 \quad \boxed{5, 2}$$

$$3y - 1 + 2y = 9$$
$$5y - 1 = 9$$
$$5y = 10$$
$$y = 2$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \boxed{y} = 2x - 5 = 2(1) - 5 = -3$$
$$4x - \boxed{y} = 7$$
$$4x - (2x - 5) = 7 \quad \boxed{(1, -3)}$$

$$4x - 2x + 5 = 7$$
$$2x + 5 = 7$$
$$2x = 2$$
$$\boxed{x = 1}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad 2\boxed{x} - 3y = 12$$
$$\boxed{x} = 4y + 1 = 4(2) + 1 = 8 + 1 = 9$$

$$2(4y + 1) - 3y = 12$$
$$8y + 2 - 3y = 12 \quad \boxed{(9, 2)}$$
$$5y + 2 = 12$$
$$5y = 10$$
$$y = 2$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \boxed{y} = -x + 5 = -6 + 5 = -1$$
$$x - 4\boxed{y} = 10 \quad \boxed{(6, -1)}$$

$$x - 4(-x + 5) = 10$$
$$x + 4x - 20 = 10$$
$$5x - 20 = 10$$
$$5x = 30$$
$$x = 6$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad \boxed{x} - y = 2$$
$$\boxed{x} = y + 2$$
$$x = 2 + 2 = 5$$

$$4\boxed{x} - 3y = 11$$
$$4(y + 2) - 3y = 11$$
$$4y + 8 - 3y = 11$$
$$y + 8 = 11$$
$$y = 3$$
$$\boxed{(5, 3)}$$

# HE IS HOPING FOR WHIRLED PEAS

⑦  $-2x + 3y = 14$      $x + 2y = 7$   
 $x = 7 - 2y$   
 $-2(7 - 2y) + 3y = 14$      $x = 7 - 2(4)$   
 $-14 + 4y + 3y = 14$      $x = 7 - 8$   
 $7y - 14 = 14$      $x = -1$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{+14} \quad \underline{+14}$   
 $7y = 28$      $(-1, 4)$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad}$   
 $y = 4$

⑧  $6x - y = -4$      $2x + 2y = 15$   
 $-\frac{y}{-1} = \frac{-6x - 4}{-1}$   
 $y = 6x + 4$      $2x + 2(6x + 4) = 15$   
 $y = 6(\frac{1}{2}) + 4$      $2x + 12x + 8 = 15$   
 $y = 3 + 4$      $14x + 8 = 15$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{-8} \quad \underline{-8}$   
 $y = 7$      $14x = 7$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad}$   
 $(\frac{1}{2}, 7)$      $x = \frac{1}{2}$

⑨  $x + y = 1$      $2x - y = -2$   
 $x = 1 - y$      $2(1 - y) - y = -2$   
 $2 - 2y - y = -2$   
 $x = 1 - \frac{4}{3}$      $2 - 3y = -2$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{-2} \quad \quad \quad \underline{-2}$   
 $x = -\frac{1}{3}$      $\frac{-3y}{-3} = \frac{-4}{-3}$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad}$   
 $(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{4}{3})$      $y = \frac{4}{3}$

⑩  $5x - 3y = -11$      $x - 2y = 2$   
 $x = 2 + 2y$   
 $5(2 + 2y) - 3y = -11$      $x = 2 + 2(-3)$   
 $10 + 10y - 3y = -11$      $x = 2 - 6$   
 $10 + 7y = -11$      $x = -4$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{7y} = \underline{-21}$   
 $y = -3$      $(-4, -3)$

⑪  $x - y = 3$      $6x + 4y = 13$   
 $x = 3 + y$      $6(3 + y) + 4y = 13$   
 $x = 3 - \frac{1}{2}$      $18 + 6y + 4y = 13$   
 $x = \frac{6}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$      $18 + 10y = 13$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{-18} \quad \quad \quad \underline{-18}$   
 $x = \frac{5}{2}$      $10y = -5$   
 $(\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$      $y = -\frac{1}{2}$

⑫  $2x - y = 16$      $-x + 2y = -8$   
 $-\frac{y}{-1} = \frac{-2x + 16}{-1}$   
 $y = 2x - 16$      $-x + 2(2x - 16) = -8$   
 $y = 2(8) - 16$      $-x + 4x - 32 = -8$   
 $y = 16 - 16$      $3x - 32 = -8$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underline{+32} \quad \underline{+32}$   
 $y = 0$      $3x = 24$   
 $(8, 0)$      $x = 8$

# Why Does the President Put Vegetables in His Blender?

Solve each system of equations below by the substitution method. Find the solution in the nearest answer column and notice the two letters next to it. Print these letters in the two boxes at the bottom of the page that contain the number of that exercise.

Answers 1-6:

(4, 2)	LD
(6, -1)	NG
(1, 2)	TR
(4, 8)	HE
(1, -3)	HO
(6, -3)	NT
(5, 3)	FO
(9, 2)	PI
(7, 3)	TH
(5, 2)	IS

①  $y = 2x$   
 $x + y = 12$       **(4, 8)**

②  $x = 3y - 1$   
 $x + 2y = 9$       **(5, 2)**

③  $y = 2x - 5$   
 $4x - y = 7$       **(1, -3)**

④  $2x - 3y = 12$   
 $x = 4y + 1$       **(9, 2)**

⑤  $y = -x + 5$   
 $x - 4y = 10$       **(6, -1)**

⑥  $x - y = 2$   
 $4x - 3y = 11$       **(5, 3)**

⑦  $-2x + 3y = 14$   
 $x + 2y = 7$       **(-1, 4)**

⑧  $6x - y = -4$   
 $2x + 2y = 15$       **( $\frac{1}{2}, 7$ )**

⑨  $x + y = 1$   
 $2x - y = -2$       **( $-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{4}{3}$ )**

⑩  $5x - 3y = -11$   
 $x - 2y = 2$       **(-4, -3)**

⑪  $x - y = 3$   
 $6x + 4y = 13$       **( $\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}$ )**

⑫  $2x - y = 16$   
 $-x + 2y = -8$       **(8, 0)**

Answers 7-12:

( $\frac{1}{2}, -3$ )	IN
(8, $-\frac{1}{2}$ )	VE
( $-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{4}{3}$ )	RL
(8, 0)	AS
(-3, 4)	TE
( $\frac{1}{2}, 7$ )	HI
( $\frac{5}{2}, \frac{4}{3}$ )	LO
(-1, 4)	RW
( $\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}$ )	PE
(-4, -3)	ED

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
H	E	I	S	H	O	P	I	N	G	F	O
R	W	H	I	R	L	E	D	P	E	A	S