## Practice B

For use with pages 405-410

## Solve for the indicated variable.

1. 
$$5x + y = -8$$
; y

3. 
$$x + 3y = 7$$
;  $x$ 

**4.** 
$$-2x + 4y = 8$$
;  $x$ 

**5.** 
$$-3x - 3y = 9$$
; y

**2.** 6x - y = 4; y

**6.** 
$$-\frac{1}{2}x + 5y = -3; x$$

## Tell which equation you would use to isolate a variable. Explain your reasoning.

**7.** 
$$4x - y = -6$$

$$2x + y = 0$$

**8.** 
$$2a + 4b = 10$$

$$3a - b = 1$$

**9.** 
$$-m + 5n = 16$$
  $-2m + 3n = 4$ 

## Use the substitution method to solve the linear system.

**10.** 
$$y = x + 3$$

$$3x - y = 5$$

**13.** 
$$x - 2y = -13$$

$$y = -2x - 6$$

**16.** 
$$-x + 3y = 4$$

$$x + 6y = 14$$

**19.** 
$$2x + 5y = 4$$

$$x + 5y = 7$$

**11.** 
$$4x + y = 9$$

$$y = -7$$

**14.** 
$$x - y = 10$$

$$5x - y = -6$$

**17.** 
$$3x + 2y = 8$$

$$x + 4y = -4$$

**20.** 
$$\frac{1}{2}x + y = 2$$

$$2x + 3y = 9$$

**12.** 
$$3x = 9$$

$$-2x + y = -8$$

**15.** 
$$4x + y = 2$$

$$x - y = -17$$

**18.** 
$$x - 5y = -3$$

$$4x - 3y = 5$$

**21.** 
$$\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{5}{6}y = 1$$
  
 $-\frac{1}{2}x - y = 1$ 

**22.** *Mowing and Shoveling* Last year you mowed grass and shoveled snow for 10 households. You earned \$200 per household mowing for the entire season and \$180 per household shoveling for the entire season. If you earned a total of \$1880 last year, how many households did you mow and shovel for? Assign labels to the verbal model below. Write and solve an algebraic model.

mow for

Number of households Number of households shovel for

Total number of households

Earnings per household mowing

Number of households mow for

Earnings per household shoveling

Number of households shovel for



**23**. *Dimensions of a Metal Sheet* A rectangular hole 2 centimeters wide and x centimeters long is cut in a rectangular sheet of metal  $\frac{7}{2}$  centimeters wide and y centimeters long. The length of the hole is 1 centimeter less than the length of the metal sheet. After the hole is cut, the area of the remaining metal is 11 cm<sup>2</sup>. Find the length of the hole and the length of the metal sheet.

