Solving Systems by Substitution

Steps

- 1. One equation will have either x or y by itself, or can be solved for x or y easily.
- 2. Substitute the expression from Step 1 into the other equation and solve for the other variable.
- 3. Substitute the value from Step 2 into the equation from Step 1 and solve.
- 4. Your solution is the ordered pair formed by x & y.
- 5. Check the solution in each of the original equations.

1.
$$x = -4$$

3x + 2y = 20

2.
$$y = x - 1$$

 $x + y = 3$

3.
$$3x + 2y = -12$$
$$y = x - 1$$

4.
$$x = \frac{1}{2}y - 3$$

 $4x - y = 10$

6.
$$2x - 5y = 29$$
$$x = -4y + 8$$

7.
$$x = 5y + 10$$
$$2x - 10y = 20$$

8.
$$2x - 3y = -24$$
$$x + 6y = 18$$