

Intermediate Algebra  
Equations in Two Variables on Variation

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MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

Determine whether the variation between the indicated quantities is direct or inverse.

- 1) The price of an item and the quantity of the item that you can purchase with a given amount of money 1) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) Inverse B) Direct

- 2) The number of hours worked by an hourly worker and the amount of her paycheck 2) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) Direct B) Inverse

Determine whether the equation represents direct, inverse, joint, or combined variation.

- 3)  $y = 3x^2$  3) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) Combined B) Direct C) Joint D) Inverse

- 4)  $y = \frac{3}{x}$  4) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) Joint B) Inverse C) Combined D) Direct

Solve the problem.

- 5) If  $m$  varies directly as  $p$ , and  $m = 48$  when  $p = 8$ , find  $m$  when  $p$  is 4. 5) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 24 B) 16 C) 64 D) 36

- 6) If  $s$  varies directly as  $t^2$ , and  $s = 294$  when  $t = 7$ , find  $s$  when  $t$  is 9. 6) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 42 B) 63 C) 486 D) 378

- 7) If  $x$  varies inversely as  $v$ , and  $x = 6$  when  $v = 8$ , find  $x$  when  $v = 16$ . 7) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 3 B) 2 C) 24 D) 64

- 8) If  $x$  varies inversely as  $y^2$ , and  $x = 6$  when  $y = 10$ , find  $x$  when  $y = 2$ . 8) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 150 B) 5 C) 24 D) 180

- 9) If  $f$  varies jointly as  $q^2$  and  $h$ , and  $f = 36$  when  $q = 2$  and  $h = 3$ , find  $f$  when  $q = 4$  and  $h = 5$ . 9) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 48 B) 240 C) 60 D) 15

- 10) If  $f$  varies jointly as  $q^2$  and  $h$ , and  $f = 36$  when  $q = 3$  and  $h = 2$ , find  $q$  when  $f = 160$  and  $h = 5$ . 10) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 2 B) 4 C) 3 D) 5

- 11) If  $f$  varies jointly as  $q^2$  and  $h$ , and  $f = 24$  when  $q = 2$  and  $h = 3$ , find  $h$  when  $f = 300$  and  $q = 5$ . 11) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 2 B) 3 C) 5 D) 6

- 12) If  $f$  varies jointly as  $q^2$  and  $h$ , and  $f = -54$  when  $q = 3$  and  $h = 3$ , find  $f$  when  $q = 4$  and  $h = 5$ . 12) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) -32 B) -40 C) -160 D) -10

- 13) The weight of a liquid varies directly as its volume  $V$ . If the weight of the liquid in a cubical container 5 cm on a side is 375 g, find the weight of the liquid in a cubical container 4 cm on a side. 13) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 64 g                      B) 12 g                      C) 44 g                      D) 192 g
- 14) The distance it takes to stop a car varies directly as the square of the speed of the car. If it takes 112 feet for a car traveling at 40 miles per hour to stop, what distance is required for a speed of 49 miles per hour? 14) \_\_\_\_\_  
A) 168.41 ft                      B) 168.07 ft                      C) 144.06 ft                      D) 180.37 ft