# TRS 92: Exploring Systems

1. Solve the following system of equations algebraically:

$$y = 8$$

$$y = 5x - 12$$

2. Graph the system and label the solution on the graph.



- 3. Solve the equation: 5x 12 = 8
- 4. How does the equation in #3 relate to the system of equations in #1-2?

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## Solving systems by graphing on your calculator:

Enter both equations into calculator

• Hit y=, type first equation into y1, then type second equation into y2

Open up the systems operation

• Hit 2<sup>nd</sup>, Trace, 5:Intersection

#### First curve

• Use your cursor to move to the first equation. Hit enter.

#### Second curve

 Your cursor will automatically move to the second equation, but be sure by looking at the equation in the top corner. Hit enter.

### Guess

- This function doesn't do anything other than allow you to position the cursor near the intersection if you want. Hit enter.
- 5. How could you write the equation 3 + 2x = -1 as a system of equations? Find the solution to the system using the graphing calculator.
- 6. How could you write the equation  $1.7 = 5(0.75)^x$  as a system of equations? Find the solution to the system using the graphing calculator.

7. Two friends are given \$1000 at their high school graduation by their parents before going to college. The first friend, Sherri, decides that she's going to invest the \$1000 in an account that grows by 1.3% each month. The second friend, Gord (who has a healthy fear of banks), decides that he's going to put the \$1000 in a drawer and add \$50 each month to his drawer.

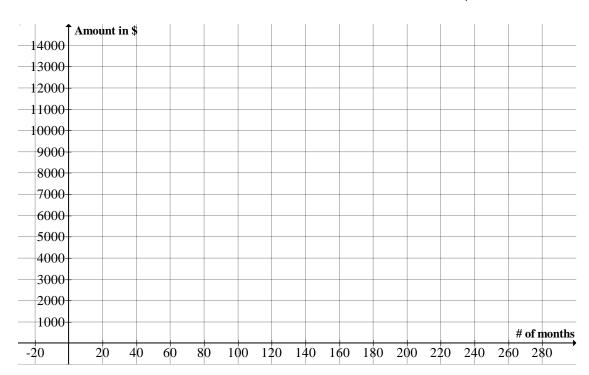
Let **S** represent the amount in dollars that Sherri has in her account; let **G** represent the amount in dollars that Gord has in his account; and let **t** represent time in months.

a. Is Sherri's investment linear or exponential?

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- b. Write an equation for Sherri's investment.
- c. Is Gord's investment linear or exponential?
- d. Write an equation for Gord's investment.
- e. Now use your calculator to graph the same functions using the following window:

  Xmin:-10 Xmax: 300 Xscale: 20 Ymin=-10 Ymax=15,000 Yscl=1000



Solve Sherri and Gord's system on your calculator.

- f. What are the two intersection points?
- g. Describe the two intersection points in the context of the problem.