

WORD PROBLEMS

- From Notes
pg 3 Slide #6.

Lift passes.

$$4t + 34s = 428$$

→ 4 teachers and 34 students
cost \$428 to ski.

$$3t + 29s = 356$$

→ 3 teachers and 29 students
cost \$356 to ski.

WE WANT TO KNOW HOW MUCH EACH STUDENT
AND EACH TEACHER PASS COST.

1. Solve for either "t" or "s" in both equations.

$$4t + 34s = 428$$

$$\frac{34s}{34} = \frac{428 - 4t}{34}$$

$$s = \left(\frac{428}{34}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{34}\right)t$$

$$3t + 29s = 356$$

$$\frac{29s}{29} = \frac{356 - 3t}{29}$$

$$s = \left(\frac{356}{29}\right) - \left(\frac{3}{29}\right)t$$

*Solved for t in Notes
*t is easier
fractions to deal
with.

2. Graph equations in slope-intercept form.
Write down what each variable means.

$$y_1 = \left(\frac{428}{34}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{34}\right)x$$

$$y_2 = \left(\frac{356}{29}\right) - \left(\frac{3}{29}\right)t$$

s = rate for student = y
t = rate for teacher = x

3. Find the intersection point.

*may need to adjust
windows so intersection
is visible on screen.

[2nd] [Trace] [5] intersect [ENTER] [ENTER] [ENTER]

Intersection: [x = 22] [y = 10]

4. Go back to step 2 to determine what
"x" and "y" mean for this case.

$$s = \text{student rate} = y = 10$$

$$t = \text{teacher rate} = x = 22$$

5. Verify your solution

$$4t + 34s = 428$$

$$4(22) + 34(10) = 428 \checkmark$$

$$3t + 29s = 356$$

$$3(22) + 29(10) = 356 \checkmark$$

6. Answer question fully.

The student rate is \$10 and the teacher rate is \$22.