

Key

The variables x and y vary directly. Use the variables to write an equation that relates x and y .

1. $y = 4; x = 2$

$$\frac{4}{2} = \frac{2K}{2}$$

$$2 = K$$

$$y = 2x$$

2. $y = 25; x = 5$

$$\frac{25}{5} = \frac{5K}{5}$$

$$5 = K$$

$$y = 5x$$

3. $y = 45; x = 40$

$$\frac{45}{40} = \frac{40K}{40}$$

$$\frac{9}{8} = K$$

$$y = \frac{9}{8}x$$

4. $y = 20; x = 12$

$$\frac{20}{12} = \frac{12K}{12}$$

$$\frac{5}{3} = K$$

$$y = \frac{5}{3}x$$

Tell whether x and y show direct variation. Explain your reasoning.

5. $xy = 3$

$$y = \frac{3}{x}$$

NO

6. $x = \frac{1}{3}y$

$$y = \frac{x}{(\frac{1}{3})}$$

$$y = 3x$$

YES

7. $y - 5 = 2x$

$$y = 2x + 5$$

NO

8. $\frac{x}{y} = 2$

$$x = 2y$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x$$

YES

Write a direct variation equation. Then solve.

9. Suppose y varies directly as x . If $y = 3$ when $x = 15$, find x when $y = 5$.

$$3 = k(15)$$

$$\frac{1}{5} = k$$

$$y = \frac{1}{5}x$$

$$5 = \frac{1}{5}x$$

$$x = 25$$

10. Suppose y varies directly as x . If $y = -7$ when $x = -14$, find x when $y = 10$.

$$-7 = k(-14)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = k$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$10 = \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$x = 20$$

11. Suppose y varies directly as x . If $x = 15$ when $y = 12$, find x when $y = 21$.

$$12 = k(15)$$

$$\frac{4}{5} = k$$

$$y = \frac{4}{5}x$$

$$21 = \frac{4}{5}x$$

$$x = 26\frac{1}{4}$$

12. Suppose y varies directly as x . If $x = 24$ when $y = 8$, find y when $x = 33$.

$$8 = k(24)$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = k$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}x$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}(33)$$

$$y = 11$$

13. Suppose y varies directly as x . If $x = 27$ when $y = 6$, find x when $y = 2$.

$$6 = k(27)$$

$$\frac{2}{9} = k$$

$$y = \frac{2}{9}x$$

$$2 = \frac{2}{9}x$$

$$x = 9$$