

Exercise 3C

Question 7: 7x - 2y - 3 = 0By cross multiplication, we have

$$\frac{x}{\left[(-2)(-8) - \left(\frac{-3}{2}\right) \times (-3)\right]} = \frac{y}{\left[(-3 \times 11) - (-8 \times 7)\right]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\left[7 \times \left(\frac{-3}{2}\right) - 11 \times (-2)\right]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{16 - \frac{9}{2}} = \frac{y}{-33 + 56} = \frac{1}{\frac{-21}{2} + 22}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{\left(\frac{23}{2}\right)} = \frac{y}{23} = \frac{1}{\frac{23}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{\left(\frac{23}{2}\right)} = \frac{1}{\frac{23}{2}}, \frac{y}{23} = \frac{1}{\frac{23}{2}}$$

Hence x = 1, y = 2 is the solution

Question 8:

$$\frac{x}{6} + \frac{y}{15} - 4 = 0$$

$$\frac{x}{3} - \frac{y}{12} - \frac{19}{4} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{\left[\frac{1}{15} \times \left(-\frac{19}{4}\right) - \left(-\frac{1}{12}\right)(-4)\right]} = \frac{y}{\left(-4\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)\left(-\frac{19}{4}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{6} \times \left(-\frac{1}{12}\right) - \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{15}}$$
or
$$\frac{x}{-\frac{19}{60} - \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{y}{-\frac{4}{3} + \frac{19}{24}} = \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{72} - \frac{1}{45}}$$
or
$$\frac{x}{-\frac{39}{60}} = \frac{y}{-\frac{13}{24}} = \frac{1}{-\frac{13}{360}}$$

$$\therefore x = -\frac{39}{60} \times \left(-\frac{360}{13}\right), y = \frac{-13}{24} \times \left(\frac{-360}{13}\right)$$

$$x = 18, y = 15 \text{ is the solution}$$

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$$ax + by - (a - b) = 0$$

$$bx - ay - (a + b) = 0$$

 \therefore the solution is x = 1, y = -1

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