

# AM Objective 20: WP: Linear Equations

The sum of three consecutive even integers is 528. What is the largest of the three integers?

- ①  $x =$  the first integer  
 $x+2 =$  the second integer  
 $x+4 =$  the third integer

How does this work?  
 Start w/ a number.  
 If it is even, two more  
 will be the next even #.  
 Ex.  $x = 258$   
 $x+2 = 260$

②  $\overset{1^{st}}{\downarrow} x + \overset{2^{nd}}{\downarrow} (x+2) + \overset{3^{rd}}{\downarrow} (x+4) = 528$

combine like terms  
to get

③ 
$$\begin{array}{r} 3x + 6 = 528 \\ -6 \quad -6 \\ \hline 3x = 522 \\ \frac{3x}{3} = \frac{522}{3} \end{array}$$

Solve for  $x$

$x = 174 \leftarrow$  This is the 1<sup>st</sup> integer

$\Rightarrow$  The third integer is  $x+4$ , so the answer is  $174+4 = \boxed{178}$

The sum of three consecutive odd integers is 489. What is the largest of the three integers?

- ①  $x =$  the first integer  
 $x+2 =$  the second integer  
 $x+4 =$  the third integer

How does this work?  
 Start w/ an odd number.  
 Two more will be the next  
 odd number.  
 Ex.  $x = 427$   
 $x+2 = 429$

②  $\overset{1^{st}}{\downarrow} x + \overset{2^{nd}}{\downarrow} (x+2) + \overset{3^{rd}}{\downarrow} (x+4) = 489$

combine like terms  
to get

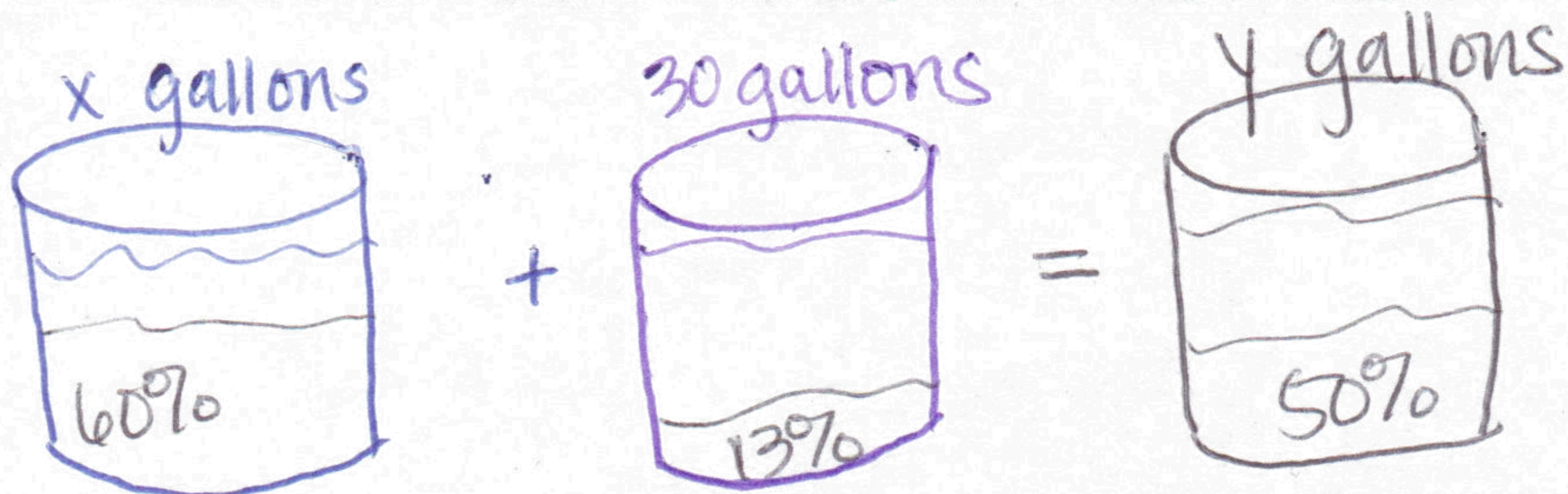
Solve for  $x$  
$$\begin{array}{r} 3x + 6 = 489 \\ -6 \quad -6 \\ \hline 3x = 483 \\ \frac{3x}{3} = \frac{483}{3} \end{array}$$

$x = 161 \leftarrow$  This is the 1<sup>st</sup> integer

$\Rightarrow$  The third integer is  $x+4$ , so the answer is

$161+4 = \boxed{165}$

How much of a 60%-acid solution must be mixed with 30 gallons of a 13%-acid solution to obtain a solution that is 50% acid?



WHEN IN DOUBT,  
DRAW IT OUT!

Step 1: Identify variables

$x$  = # of gallons of 60% acid solution

$y$  = total # of gallons in final solution

Step 2: Write the equations

$$.60x + .13 \cdot 30 = .50y$$

$$x + 30 = y$$

Why do we write .60 instead of 60?  
.60 is the decimal representation of 60%.

Step 3: Solve a) Graphically b) Algebraically

a)  $y_1 = x + 30$  READY TO GRAPH ALREADY! b)

$$\frac{.60x + .13 \cdot 30}{.50} = \frac{.50y}{.50}$$

We need  $y = ?$

$$y_2 = \frac{(.60x + .13 \cdot 30)}{.50}$$

now, we're  
READY TO GRAPH!

Intersection Point = (111, 141)

$$y = x + 30$$

$$.50y = .60x + .13 \cdot 30$$

$$.50(x + 30) = .60x + 3.9$$

$$.50x + 15 = .60x + 3.9$$

$$-.50x \quad -3.9 \quad -.50x \quad -3.9$$

$$11.1 = .10x$$

$$111 = x$$

$$y = x + 30 \quad y = 111 + 30$$

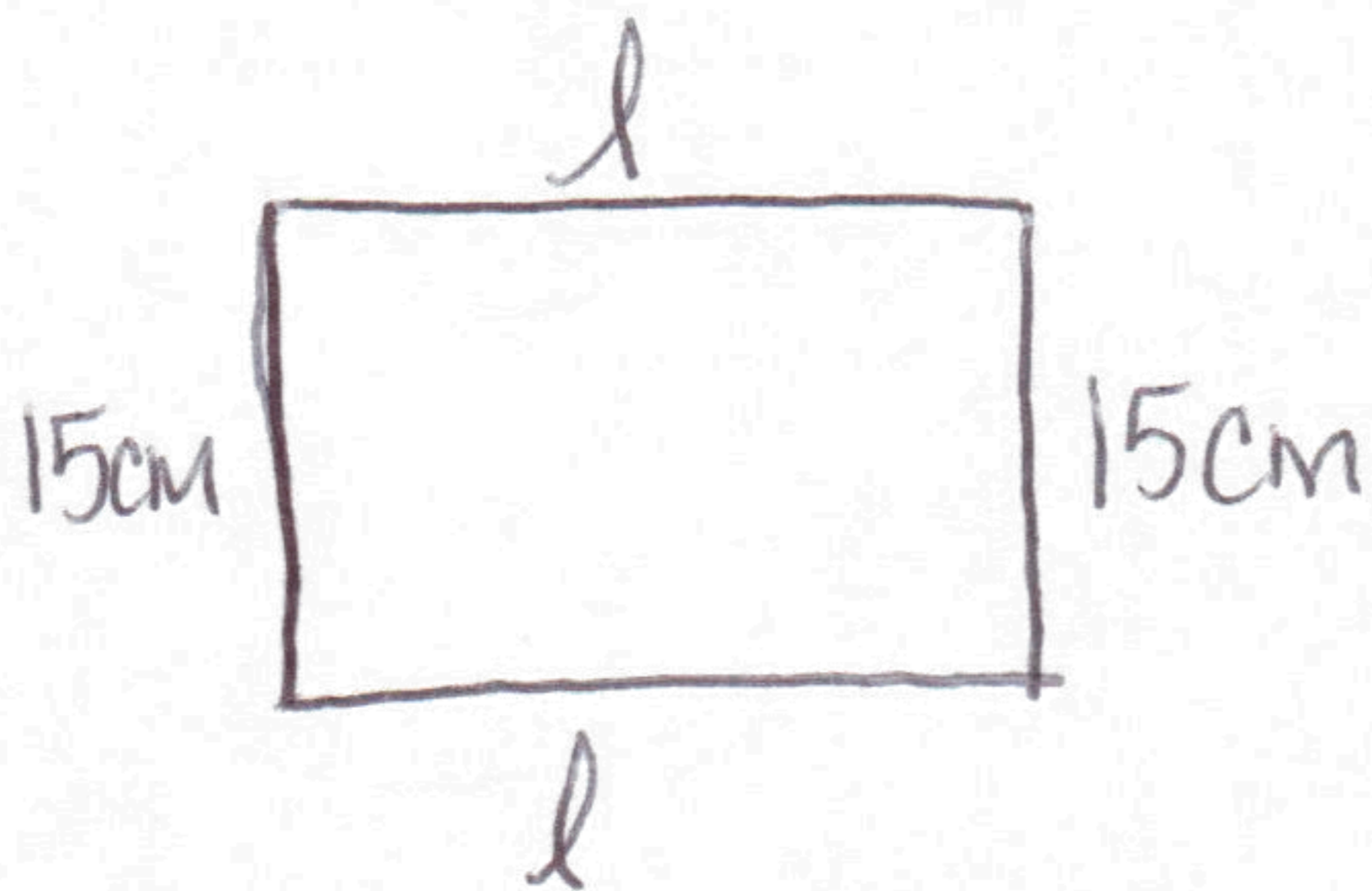
$$y = 141$$

Step 4: Write paragraph with complete sentences

111 gallons of a 60%-acid solution must be mixed with 30 gallons of a 13% solution to obtain a solution that is 50% acid.

There will be 141 gallons in the total solution.

The width of a rectangle is 15cm. Find all possible values for the length of the rectangle if the perimeter is at least 392 cm.



DRAW  
A PICTURE!

$$\text{Perimeter} = 2w + 2l$$

$$\text{For this case } P = 2(15) + 2l$$

⇒

$$392 \leq 30 + 2l$$

Why is it  $\leq$ ? The  $30 + 2l$  is greater than or equal to 392.

$$\Rightarrow 392 \leq 30 + 2l$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -30 \\ -30 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{362}{2} \leq \frac{2l}{2}$$

$$181 \leq l$$

The length is greater than or equal to 181cm.

We can also write this as

{ means  
"the  
set of"

$$\rightarrow \{ x \mid x \geq 181 \text{ cm} \}$$

x

such  
that

x is greater than  
or equal to 181cm.

$$17 \leq P \leq 56$$

The perimeter of a square is to be between 17 and 56 feet, inclusively.  
Find all possible values for the length of its sides.

$$\text{Perimeter of a square} = 2l + 2w \quad l = w$$

$$\Rightarrow 4l$$

All four sides are  
the same, so  $P = 4l$

$$17 \leq P \leq 56 \quad \swarrow$$

$$17 \leq 4l \leq 56$$

$$\overline{4} \quad \overline{4} \quad \overline{4}$$

$$4.25 \leq l \leq 14$$

$$\Rightarrow \{x \mid x \geq 4.25 \text{ and } x \leq 14\}$$



This means  
"includes" so, we  
use the  $\leq$  sign.

If it said, exclusively,  
we would use the  $<$  sign.

Martin purchased municipal bonds yielding 6% annually and certificates of deposit yielding 9% annually. If Martin's investments amounted to \$18,486 and the annual income is \$1280.58, how much money is invested in bonds and how much money is invested in certificates of deposit?

- ①  $b =$  Amount of money invested in municipal bonds.  
 $c =$  Amount of money invested in certificates of deposit.

②  $.06b + .09c = 1280.58$

$$b + c = 18,486$$

- ③ Let  $b = x$  and  $c = y$

Graph

$$\begin{array}{r} .06x + .09y = 1280.58 \\ -.06x \qquad \qquad \qquad -.06x \end{array}$$

$$\frac{.09y}{.09} = \frac{1280.58 - .06x}{.09}$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{(1280.58 - .06x)}{.09}}$$

$$x + y = 18486$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -x \qquad \qquad -x \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{y = 18486 - x}$$

Ready to graph!

Intersection Point = (12772, 5714)

Algebraically

$$y = 18486 - x$$

$$.06x + .09y = 1280.58$$

$$.06x + .09(18486 - x) = 1280.58$$

$$.06x + 1663.74 - .09x = 1280.58$$

combine like terms

$$-.03x + 1663.74 = 1280.58$$

$$-1663.74 - 1663.74$$

$$-.03x = -383.16$$

$$x = 12772$$

$$y = 18486 - x \qquad y = 18486 - 12772$$

$$y = 5714$$

- ④ Martin purchased \$12,772 in municipal bonds, yielding 6% annually and \$5,714 in certificates of deposit yielding 9% annually. Martin's investments amounted to \$18,486 with an annual income of \$1280.58.