Fo r each problem, define the variables and then write a system of equation then solve.

1) Katherine is deciding which catering company she should use for Mom's 50th birthday party. At Bashful's Birthday Blast there is a fee of \$20.00 and a charge of \$9.00 per person. At Bertha's Ballroom Blitz there is a fee of \$100 and a charge of \$5.00 per person. For how many people will the cost become equal? What is that cost?

2) Two companies sell stock shares on Wall Street. Losers Incorporated stock starts with a value of \$39.63 and loses \$0.08 for each new stockholder. The "Be Rich with Us" Corporation starts with a value of \$24.45 and gains \$0.03 in value for each new stockholder. At how many new stockholders will the value be equal? What is that value? (Solve by graphing)

3) Farmer Peter and Farmer Paula are picking apples from their apple trees. Farmer Peter has already picked 287 apples. Farmer Peter picks another 5 apples each minute. Farmer Paula has already picked 154 apples. Farmer Paula picks another 6 apples each minute. After how many minutes will the number of apples be the same? How many apples would each farmer have picked? (Solve by graphing and algebraically)

4)	Ted and Tom are saving money. Tom has saved \$1,477 and saves 64 more dollars each pay day. Ted has saved \$948 and saves 87 more dollars each pay day. How many days until they have saved the same amount? How much would they have saved?
5)	The Slow Fix auto shop charges \$28 for parts and \$48 per hour of labor. The We Work Cheaper auto shop charges \$59 for parts and \$44.90 per hour of labor. How many hours until they charge the same amount? What would that cost be?
6)	Each month the Midwest cell phone company has an operating fee of \$28.55 and charges \$0.48 per minute of calls. Each month, the Drop-Yo-Call Corporation has an operating fee of \$59 and charges \$0.19 per minute of calls. After how many minutes would the charges be the same? How much would they both charge? (Solve by graphing)
7)	Two countries are keeping track of the cost of a barrel of oil in their country. In country A, a barrel of oil costs of \$40.05 and the price increases \$0.08 each day. In country B, a barrel of oil costs \$48.74 and the price decreases \$0.03 each day. After how many days would the price be equal? What would that price be? (Solve by graphing)