

# Algebra 1 Bellwork Friday, January 30, 2015

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Qts of 15% Grape drink =

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Answers

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y Qts of 31% Grape drink = 15 QTS

$$\begin{aligned}
 .15x + .31y &= .23(30) = 6.9 \\
 .15(x + y) &= 30 \\
 .15x + .15y &= 4.5 \\
 - .15x + .31y &= 6.9 \\
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 .16y &= 2.4 \\
 y &= 15
 \end{aligned}$$

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x → Gal of 17% red paint = 1

y → Gal of 37% red paint = 4

$$\begin{aligned}
 .17x + .37y &= .33(5) \\
 .17x + .37y &= 1.65 \\
 .17(x + y) &= 5 \\
 .17x + .17y &= .85 \\
 - .17x + .37y &= 1.65 \\
 \hline
 .20y &= .80 \\
 y &= 4
 \end{aligned}$$