

1. Beneath the Earth's surface, the temperature increases 10°C every kilometer. Suppose that the surface temperature is 22°C , and the temperature at the bottom of the gold mine is 45°C . Write and solve an equation to find the depth of the mine. Round to the nearest tenth if needed. Define your variables.

EQ:

Variables. $K = \# \text{ km of Depth}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 22 + 10K = 45 \\ -22 \quad -22 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10K = 23 \\ \hline 10 \\ K = 2.3 \end{array}$$

Solution: 2.3 km

2. You want to rent a car for one day and have narrowed it down to two companies: Rent-a-Lemon and Drive-a-Wreck.

Rent-a-Lemon charges you \$45 a day plus \$0.25 per mile.

Drive-a-Wreck charges you \$60 a day plus \$0.17 per mile.

a. Write an equation for each company. Use the following variables:

C = total charge

m = # miles driven

Rent-a-Lemon Eq:

Drive-a-Wreck Eq:

$$C = 45 + .25m \quad C = 60 + .17m$$

b. Set the two equations equal to each other and solve for m .

Rent-a-Lemon Eq:

$$C = 45 + 0.25m$$

Drive-a-Wreck Eq:

$$C = 60 + 0.17m$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 45 + 0.25m = 60 + 0.17m \\ -0.17m \quad -0.17m \\ \hline 45 + .08m = 60 \\ -45 \quad -45 \\ \hline .08m = 15 \\ \hline .08 \quad .08 \\ m = 187.5 \text{ miles} \end{array}$$

c. What does this value of m represents?

if you drive 187.5 miles the two companies will charge you the same amount (Equal)