## **SKILL PRACTICE**

- 1. **VOCABULARY** Copy and complete: A(n) \_? is an equation that relates two or more quantities.
- 2. WRITING What does it mean to solve for a variable in an equation?

## **EXAMPLES** 1 and 2

on pp. 26-27 for Exs. 3-6

**REWRITING FORMULAS** Solve the formula for the indicated variable. Then use the given information to find the value of the variable.

- (3.) Solve  $A = \ell w$  for  $\ell$ . Then find the length of a rectangle with a width of 50 millimeters and an area of 250 square millimeters.
- **4.** Solve  $A = \frac{1}{2}bh$  for *b*. Then find the base of a triangle with a height of 6 inches and an area of 24 square inches.
- **5.** Solve  $A = \frac{1}{2}(b_1 + b_2)h$  for h. Then find the height of a trapezoid with bases of lengths 10 centimeters and 15 centimeters and an area of 75 square centimeters.
- 6. WINGERER COLORGE What equation do you obtain when you solve the formula  $A = \frac{1}{2}(b_1 + b_2)h$  for  $b_1$ ?

**(A)** 
$$b_1 = \frac{2A}{h} - b_2$$

**B** 
$$b_1 = \frac{A}{2h} - b_2$$

**©** 
$$b_1 = 2A - b_2 h$$

**(D)** 
$$b_1 = \frac{2A}{h - b_2}$$

## **EXAMPLE 3**

on p. 28 for Exs. 7-17 **REWRITING EQUATIONS** Solve the equation for y. Then find the value of y for the given value of x.

7. 
$$3x + y = 26$$
;  $x = 7$ 

$$\mathbf{9.}6x + 5y = 31; x = -4$$

11. 
$$9x - 6y = 63$$
;  $x = 5$ 

13. 
$$8y - 14x = -22$$
;  $x = 5$ 

**8.** 
$$4y + x = 24$$
;  $x = 8$ 

**10.** 
$$15x + 4y = 9$$
;  $x = -3$ 

**12.** 
$$10x - 18y = 84$$
;  $x = 6$ 

**14.** 
$$9y - 4x = -30$$
;  $x = 8$ 

15. MUKSIRER COUNTS What equation do you obtain when you solve the equation 4x - 5y = 20 for y?

**(A)** 
$$x = \frac{5}{4}y + 5$$

**B** 
$$y = -\frac{4}{5}x + 4$$

**©** 
$$y = \frac{4}{5}x - 4$$

**(A)** 
$$x = \frac{5}{4}y + 5$$
 **(B)**  $y = -\frac{4}{5}x + 4$  **(C)**  $y = \frac{4}{5}x - 4$  **(D)**  $y = \frac{4}{5}x - 20$ 

**ERROR ANALYSIS** Describe and correct the error in solving the equation for y.

16.

$$-7x + 5y = 2$$

$$5y = 7x + 2$$

$$y = \frac{7}{5}x + 2$$

$$4y - xy = 9$$

$$4y = 9 + xy$$

$$y = \frac{9 + xy}{4}$$