

**CONSTRUCTED-RESPONSE ITEMS**

11. A large washtub already contains 6 gallons of water. A faucet is turned on and continues to fill the washtub at a rate of  $\frac{1}{2}$  gallon per minute.

- A. How many total gallons of water will be in the washtub when the faucet has been on for 5 minutes?

\_\_\_\_\_ gallons

When the faucet has been on for  $x$  minutes, there will be  $y$  gallons of water in the washtub.

- B. Write a linear equation to model the number of gallons of water ( $y$ ) in the washtub  $x$  minutes after the faucet has been turned on.

linear equation: \_\_\_\_\_

- C. Using your equation, determine the number of minutes from when the faucet is turned on until there are exactly  $23\frac{3}{4}$  gallons of water in the washtub.

\_\_\_\_\_ minutes

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11. **Continued.** Please refer to the previous page for task explanation.

A second washtub already contains 2 gallons of water. A larger faucet is used to fill this washtub at a rate  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the rate of the first faucet.

Both faucets are turned on at the same time.

- D.** Determine the number of minutes until both washtubs contain the same number of gallons of water.

\_\_\_\_\_ minutes