- 11. If an equation is an identity then it simplifies to 0 = 0, and there are an infinite number of solutions; Sample reasoning: substituting any number for all occurrences of the variable results in a true equation.
- 13. Answers may vary. Sample answer: x 3 = x 3; It is an identity, so it has an infinite amount of solutions.
- **15.** a. 8.
 - b. no values
 - c. any value except 8
- **17.** –12
- 19. $\frac{34}{9}$
- **21.** 7
- **23.** –3
- **25.** -10
- **27.** –5
- **29.** no solution
- **31.** -9
- **33.** identity
- **35.** −2
- **37.** identity
- **39.** 0.2
- **41. a.** 50 2d = 40 1.5d; 20 30-day periods
 - **b.** \$10
- **43.** Answers may vary. Sample answer: p + 0.06p and 1.06p; p + 0.06p = (1 + 0.06) p = 1.06p

- **45.** a. Company A: 500 + 25g. Company B: 200 + 30g
 - **b.** Company A; Cost for Company A is 500 + 25(30) = \$1,250; Cost for Company B is 200 + 30(50) = \$1,700. So, A costs less.
- **47.** 48 ft
- **49.** D