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We are only providing some suggested solutions below- There are always multiple methods to solve problems.

1) Students can do guess and check or make a chart. There are 6 hammers on the workbench.

| Hammers | Screwdrivers <br> (2x Hammers) | Total Tools (18) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 2 | 4 | 6 |
| 3 | 6 | 9 |
| 4 | 8 | 12 |
| 5 | 10 | 15 |
| 6 | 12 | 18 |

2) Make an organized list. Start with one type of coin, use the most of that coin until you have used it up and proceed to the next coins using the same process. There are nine ways to make change.

| Dimes | Nickels | Pennies |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 |  |  |
| 1 | 2 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 5 |
| 1 | 0 | 10 |
| 0 | 4 | 0 |
| 0 | 3 | 5 |
| 0 | 2 | 10 |
| 0 | 1 | 15 |
| 0 | 0 | 20 |

3) Billie can put together a puzzle in 20 seconds. So convert this to how many she can do in $\mathbf{3}$ minutes. Three minutes equal 180 seconds, so she can do 180/20 = 9 puzzles. Charlotte takes 45 seconds to put together the same puzzle. 180/45 = 4 puzzles. Nine puzzles minus four puzzles equals five puzzles more.

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4) Make a chart to add up how many of each vehicle type and how many total teachers. There are four cars that have 5 teachers in them.

| 4 passenger cars | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 passenger cars | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Total cars (11) | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| Total teachers (48) | 54 | 53 | 52 | 51 | 50 | 49 | 48 |

5) Use logic. Two pumpkins plus two corns $=60$. Therefore, half of this ( 1 pumpkin and 1 corn) =30. The next equation has ( 1 pumpkin and 1 corn) plus one turkey $=100$. Substitute 30 in for the ( 1 pumpkin and 1 corn) and the turkey = 70. Now you can solve for 2 turkeys. $2 \times(70)=140$

6) Method 1
" X " will represent the number Greg picked. We need to add 8 to it and then multiply it by 2 and then divide it by 4 and the answer is 10.
Solve for X :


## Method 2

Work backwards - Start with 10 and multiply by 4 which is 40 . Divide this by 2 and you get 20. Subtract 8 and you will have 12. You can check your work now going forward.

