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Compare your answers.

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Choices and explanations will vary. Samples are shown.

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Substitution will work well with this system because x, in the first equation, is already isolated.

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Graphing using technology will work well for this system because both equations are written in slope-intercept form, which is easy to enter into a graphing calculator.

c.
$$3x + 5y - 1 = 0$$

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Elimination will work well for this system because the equations are in the same format, and multiplying the first equation by 2 will make the *x*-coefficients the same.

2. Solve y = 3x - 4 and y = 2x + 2 using an algebraic method (substitution or elimination). Verify the solution graphically with technology.

$$y = 3x - 4$$

$$2x + 2 = 3x - 4$$

$$6 = x$$

$$y = 3x - 4$$

$$y = 3(6) - 4$$

$$y = 14$$

The solution is (6,14).

Verify the solution.

