Indicate which of the following are true or false about the following system:

$$\begin{cases} 3x + 2y = -6 \\ -3x + 2y = 6 \end{cases}$$

- A. Graph has no solutions. True False
- B. These equations have the same *x*-intercept. True False
- C. The graphs of these two lines are perpendicular.
- E. Graph has one solution at (-2,0) True False

Scoring:

2 points: Selected B and E only.

1 point: Selected either B or E only.

Selected either B or E and only one incorrect response.

 $0 \ points: \qquad \text{Any other combination}.$

Key and Distractor Analysis:

- A. Student might have used the elimination method and been confused when the remaining equation equals zero.
- B. Key. Both have an *x*-intercept of (-2,0).
- C. Student might have confused perpendicular lines having opposite slopes only.
- D. Student might have made a mistake with a negative sign. One equation has a *y*-intercept of (0, -3) while the other has a *y*-intercept of (0,3).
- E. Key. The only solution that these two linear equations share is (-2,0).

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6. Solve systems of linear equations exactly and approximately (e.g., with graphs), focusing on pairs of linear equations in two variables.