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- The equation $x + y = 115$ represents how many tickets were sold, where x is student tickets and y is adult tickets. This equation is equivalent to $x = 115 - y$.
- Adult tickets cost \$8 each.
- Student tickets cost \$3 each.
- The school made \$720 total from ticket sales.