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Notes

Algebra Section 4.5

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Goal: “You will graph linear equations using slope-intercept form”

Slope-Intercept Form:

$$y = mx + b$$

m is the slope. It is the coefficient of x

b is the y-intercept. It is always being added

or subtracted.

Writing equations in slope-intercept form:

Example:

Isolate y :

$$2x + 4y = 8$$
$$\begin{array}{r} -2x \\ \hline 4y = 8 - 2x \end{array}$$
$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 2$$

Determine m and b

$$m = -\frac{1}{2} \qquad b = 2$$

Write the following equation in slope-intercept form if necessary.

Then identify the slope and the y-intercept.

Ex: $y = 3x + 4$

$$m = 3, b = 4$$

Ex: $y = 5x - 3$

$$m = 5, b = -3$$

Ex: $3x + y = 2$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3x \\ \hline y = 2 - 3x \end{array}$$
$$m = -3, b = 2$$

Ex: $3x - 3y = 12$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3x \\ \hline -3y = 12 - 3x \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \\ \hline y = -4 + x \end{array}$$
$$m = 1, b = -4$$

Ex: $x + 4y = 6$

$$\begin{array}{r} -x \\ \hline 4y = 6 - x \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \\ \hline y = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{x}{4} \end{array}$$
$$m = -\frac{1}{4}, b = \frac{3}{2}$$

Ex: $x + 3y = 9$

$$\begin{array}{r} -x \\ \hline 3y = 9 - x \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ \hline y = 3 - \frac{1}{3}x \end{array}$$
$$m = -\frac{1}{3}, b = 3$$

To Graph a Line in Slope-Intercept Form:

- 1) Make sure the equation is written in slope intercept form.
- 2) Identify m and b . Be sure slope is written as a fraction so you can identify the rise and run. Notice if the slope is positive or negative.
- 3) Plot the y -intercept. Always rise.
- 4) Run to the right if the slope is positive. Run to the left if the slope is negative.
- 5) Plot several points and connect with a ruler.

Graph using slope – intercept form:

Example:

Step 1: Put in slope-intercept form:

Step 2: Identify the m and b .

Step 3: Plot the y -intercept and rise.

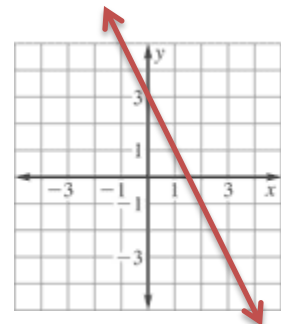
Step 4: Run right if + and left if -.

Step 5: Plot several points and connect.

$$2x + y = 3$$

$$y = -2x + 3$$

$$m = -2 \quad b = 3$$

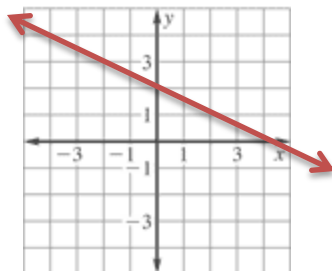


Try These:

Ex: $x + 2y = 4$

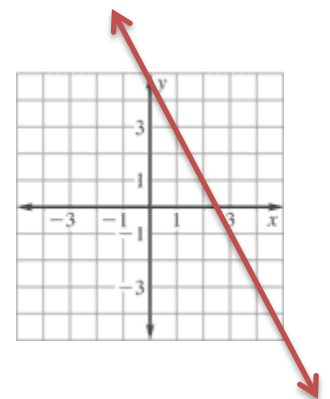
$$\begin{array}{r} -x \quad -x \\ 2y = 4 - x \\ \hline 2 \quad 2 \end{array}$$

$$y = 2 - \frac{1}{2}x$$
$$m = -\frac{1}{2}, b = 2$$



Ex: $y = -2x + 5$

$$m = -2, b = 5$$



Word Problem:

1) A violin teacher charges a one-time sheet-music fee of \$20 for adults and no fee for children. The charge per hour for both is \$20.

a) Write two equations to represent each situation.

$$\begin{array}{ll} x: \text{Number of hours} & \text{Adults: } y = 20 + 20x \\ y: \text{Total cost} & \text{Children: } y = 20x \end{array}$$

b) How will these two graphs be related?

They will be parallel because they have the same slope.

Special Slopes:

Parallel Lines: They have the same slope. If two lines are parallel they are increasing or decreasing at the same rate and therefore will never intersect making them parallel lines.

To determine if two lines are parallel: Find the slope of each line using the formula $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$.

Line A passes through the points $(-1, -1)$ and $(2, 0)$

Line B passes through the points $(0, -3)$ and $(5, -1)$

Line C passes through the points $(-2, -5)$ and $(4, -3)$

Which two lines, if any, are parallel?

To decide which lines are parallel, find the slope of each line using the formula: $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$ to determine their slopes. If two lines have the same slope then they are parallel.

Line A:

$$m = \frac{0 - (-1)}{2 - (-1)}$$

$$m = \frac{1}{3}$$

Line B:

$$m = \frac{-1 - (-3)}{5 - (0)}$$

$$m = \frac{2}{5}$$

Line C:

$$m = \frac{-3 - (-5)}{4 - (-2)}$$

$$m = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Lines A and C are parallel because they have the same slope.

Decide if the given lines are parallel. State why or why not.

Ex: $y = 3x + 7$
 $2y - 6x = 8$

Ex: $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 4$
 $2x - 4y = 16$

*Identify the slope of each line by putting them in slope-intercept form first. Then decide if they are parallel.

1st Line: $y = 3x + 7$

2nd Line: $2y = 8 + 6x$
 $y = 4 + 3x$

Both lines have a slope of 3 so they are parallel

1st Line: $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 4$

2nd Line: $-4y = 16 - 2x$
 $y = -4 + \frac{1}{2}x$

Yes, both lines have a slope of $\frac{1}{2}$