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Graph Using Slope-Intercept Form

Goal • Graph linear equations using slope-intercept form.

Your Notes

VOCABULARY

Slope-intercept form

Parallel

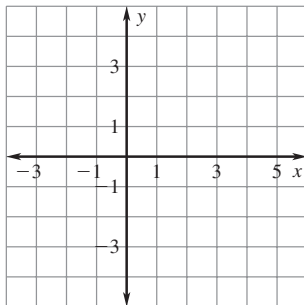
FINDING THE SLOPE AND Y-INTERCEPT OF A LINE

Words

A linear equation of the form $y = mx + b$ is written in

where _____ is the slope and _____ is the y-intercept of the equation's graph.

Graph



Symbols

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = 2x + 1$$

Your Notes

Example 1 Identify slope and y-intercept

Identify the slope and y-intercept of the line with the given equation.

a. $y = x + 3$

b. $-2x + y = 5$

Solution

a. The equation is in the form _____. So, the slope of the line is ____, and the y-intercept is ____.

b. Rewrite the equation in slope-intercept form by solving for ____.

$$-2x + y = 5$$

Write original equation.

$$y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Subtract _____ from each side.

The line has a slope of ____ and a y-intercept of ____.

✓ **Checkpoint** Identify the slope and y-intercept of the line with the given equation.

1. $y = 4x - 1$

2. $4x - 2y = 8$

3. $4y = 3x + 16$

4. $6x + 3y = -21$

Your Notes

Example 2 Graph an equation using slope-intercept form

Graph the equation $4x + y = 2$.

Solution

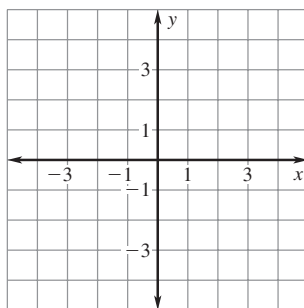
Step 1 Rewrite the equation in slope-intercept form.

Step 2 _____ the slope and the y-intercept.

$m =$ _____ $b =$ _____

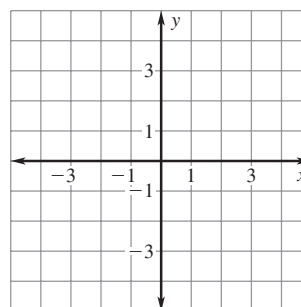
Step 3 _____ the point that corresponds to the y-intercept, (_____).

Step 4 Use the slope to locate a second point on the line. Draw a line through the two points.



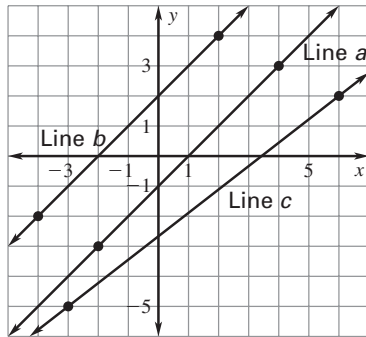
✔ **Checkpoint** Complete the following exercise.

5. Graph the equation $-\frac{1}{2}x + y = 1$.



Example 3 Identify parallel lines

Determine which of the lines are parallel.



Solution

Find the slope of each line.

$$\text{Line a: } m = \frac{\square - 3}{\square - 4} = \frac{\square}{\square} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$\text{Line b: } m = \frac{\square - 4}{\square - 2} = \frac{\square}{\square} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$\text{Line c: } m = \frac{\square - 2}{\square - 6} = \frac{\square}{\square} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

Lines and have the same slope. They are parallel.

✓ Checkpoint Complete the following exercise.

6. Determine which lines are parallel.

Line a: through (2, 5) and (-2, 2)

Line b: through (4, 1) and (-3, -4)

Line c: through (2, 3) and (-2, 0)

Homework