

Point-slope: $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

use this formula to find the equation of a line

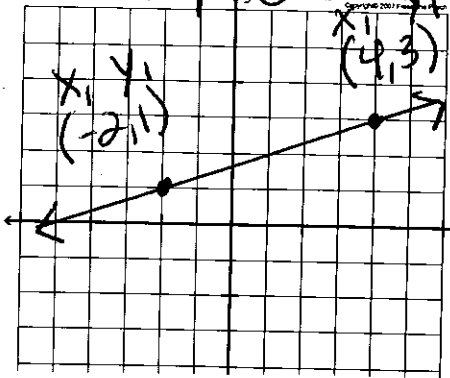
when you are given: (1) a graph that doesn't cross the y-axis at a whole #

(2) when given a point and the slope

(3) when given 2 pts. on the line.

(1)

Example



1st: Find the slope (use $\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$)

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

2nd: Plug m and 1 of the points

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{into } y - y_1 = m(x - x_1) \quad (4, 3) \\ y - 1 = \frac{1}{3}(x + 2) \quad | \quad y - 3 = \frac{1}{3}(x - 4) \\ y - 1 = \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{2}{3} \quad | \quad y - 3 = \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{4}{3} \\ +1 \quad +1 \quad | \quad +3 \quad +3 \\ y = \frac{1}{3}x + 1\frac{2}{3} \quad | \quad y = \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{5}{3} \end{array}$$

3rd: solve for y (put in $y = mx + b$)

(2) $m = -3$, line x_1, y_1 passes through $(-1, 7)$

1st: put in $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

2nd: solve for y, so the final answer is in slope-intercept form.

$$(y = mx + b)$$

$$y - 7 = -3(x - -1)$$

point-slope: $y - 7 = -3(x + 1)$

$$y - 7 = -3x - 3$$

$$+7 \quad +7$$

slope-intercept: $y = -3x + 4$

(3) $(4, -1)$ $(3, 2)$
 x_2, y_2 x_1, y_1

1st: Find the slope

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$m = \frac{-1 - 2}{4 - 3} = \frac{-3}{1}$$

$$m = -3$$

2nd: pick a point and plug it and m into point-slope

$$(3, 2) \quad m = -3 \quad y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 2 = -3(x - 3)$$

3rd: solve for y

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y - 2 = -3x + 9$$

$$+2 \quad +2$$

$$y = -3x + 11$$

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ex 4) Not one of the cases

x	y
3	6
2	4
-1	-2
-3	-6

Is the data linear?
If so, model the data with
an equation.

$$\frac{-2}{-1} = 2 \checkmark$$

$$\frac{-6}{-3} = 2 \checkmark$$

$$\frac{-4}{-2} = 2 \checkmark$$

Since I
got all the
same #'s
then it is Linear.

Slope $m=2$

then to write the eq., pick a point
from the table, use the slope in

$(2, 4)$
 x_1, y_1

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$
$$y - 4 = 2(x - 2)$$

leave in point-slope form unless it
tells you to put in slope-intercept.

Practice 6-5

Point-Slope Form and Writing Linear Equations

Write an equation in point-slope form for the line through the given points or through the given point with the given slope.

1. (5, 7), (6, 8)
2. (-2, 3); $m = -1$
3. (1, 2), (3, 8)
4. (-2, 3); $m = 4$
5. (4, 7); $m = \frac{3}{2}$
6. (6, -2); $m = -\frac{4}{3}$
7. (0, 5), (-3, 2)
8. (8, 11), (6, 16)
9. (4, 2), (-4, -2)
10. (15, 16), (13, 10)
11. (0, -7); $m = -4$
12. (-3, 4), (1, 6)
13. (1, 2); m undefined
14. (-6, 7); $m = -\frac{1}{2}$
15. (21, -2), (27, 2)
16. (7, 5); $m = 0$
17. (8, -2), (14, 1)
18. (4, 8), (2, 12)
19. (-5, 13), (-10, 9)
20. (6, 2); $m = \frac{3}{4}$
21. (5, -3); $m = -2$
22. (4, 3.5); $m = 0.5$
23. (-6, 2); $m = \frac{5}{3}$
24. (100, 90), (80, 120)
25. (-3, 6), (3, -6)
26. (11, 7), (9, 3)
27. (2, 7); $m = \frac{5}{2}$
28. (-9, 8); $m = -\frac{5}{3}$

Is the relationship shown by the data linear? If it is, model the data with an equation.

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x	y
2	3
3	7
4	11
5	15

30.

x	y
-3	4
-1	6
1	7
3	10

31.

x	y
-4	12
-1	8
5	-4
10	-8

32.

x	y
-2	5
3	-5
7	-13
11	-21

33.

x	y
-6	-5
-2	1
0	4
8	16

34.

x	y
-6	11
-3	9
6	3
15	-3

35.

x	y
-7	-3
-5	0
-1	3
3	7

36.

x	y
-4	1
2	4
6	6
14	10

Write an equation of each line in point-slope form.

