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Module 8 Writing Linear Equations of Two Variables
Lesson 2 Writing Equations of Lines, Given the Slope and y-Intercept



independent practice

Use the given information to write an equation of the line in slope-intercept form.

1. Slope: $\frac{4}{3}$ y-intercept: 2
 $y = \frac{4}{3}x + 2$

2. Slope: $-\frac{1}{3}$ y-intercept: -1
 $y = -\frac{1}{3}x - 1$

3. Slope: $\frac{2}{11}$ y-intercept: 10
 $y = \frac{2}{11}x + 10$

4. Slope: $-\frac{1}{4}$ y-intercept: 6
 $y = -\frac{1}{4}x + 6$

5. Slope: 0 Passes through: (-4, 2)
 $y = 2$

6. Slope: $\frac{6}{7}$ y-intercept: -7
 $y = \frac{6}{7}x - 7$

7. Slope: $-\frac{3}{7}$ y-intercept: -2
 $y = -\frac{3}{7}x - 2$

8. Slope: undefined Passes through: (9, 1)
 $x = 9$

9. Slope: -6 y-intercept: 2
 $y = -6x + 2$

10. Slope: $\frac{4}{3}$ y-intercept: 3
 $y = \frac{4}{3}x + 3$

11. Slope: $\frac{4}{7}$ y-intercept: -7
 $y = \frac{4}{7}x - 7$

12. Slope: $\frac{5}{2}$ y-intercept: -4
 $y = \frac{5}{2}x - 4$

Write the slope-intercept form of the equation of the line described.

13. The line is parallel to the line $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 4$ and passes through the point (0, -3).
 $y = -\frac{1}{2}x - 3$

14. The line is perpendicular to the line $y = -4x - 2$ and passes through the point (0, 4).
 $y = \frac{1}{4}x + 4$

15. The line is perpendicular to the line $y = -\frac{2}{3}x - 8$ and passes through the origin.
 $y = \frac{3}{2}x$

16. The line is parallel to the line $y = -\frac{1}{5}x$ and passes through the point (0, -1).
 $y = -\frac{1}{5}x - 1$

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 17. The line is perpendicular to the line $y = 3x - 1$ and passes through the point (0, -6).
 $y = -\frac{1}{3}x - 6$

18. The line is parallel to the line $y = \frac{1}{4}x + 1$ and passes through the point (0, -1).
 $y = \frac{1}{4}x - 1$

19. The line is perpendicular to the line $y = \frac{6}{5}x + 2$ and passes through the point $(0, 3)$.

$$y = -\frac{5}{6}x + 3$$

20. The line is parallel to the line $y = -9x + 2$ and passes through the point $(0, -7)$.

$$y = -9x - 7$$

Journal

- An iceberg is 50 feet high and melts at a rate so that its height decreases 5 feet each year. Write a linear equation that can be used to find the height of the iceberg at any time. Explain why the equation is correct and include slope and y-intercept in the explanation.
- Explain how to convert $4x + 2y = 6$ into slope-intercept form.
- Explain the relationship between the graphs of the two equations $y = 3x - 1$ and $-2y = -6x + 2$.
- From the graph of a line, explain how the linear equation of the line in slope-intercept form can be determined.
- Explain how to graph a line with a slope of 0 and a y-intercept of 0.

Cumulative Review

Solve each equation for x .

1. $y = x + 1$

$$x = y - 1$$

2. $y = -x + 14$

$$x = -y + 14$$

3. $y = 12 - 6x$

$$x = -\frac{1}{6}y + 2$$

4. $y = 4x - 16$

$$x = \frac{1}{4}y + 4$$

5. $y = 2x + 1$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}y - \frac{1}{2}$$

6. $y = -\frac{1}{3}x - 2$

$$x = -3y - 6$$

7. $y = \frac{1}{5}x - 3$

$$x = 5y + 15$$

8. $y = \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{5}{3}$

$$x = \frac{2}{5}y + \frac{2}{3}$$

9. $y = \frac{1}{4}x^2$

$$x = \pm 2\sqrt{y}$$

10. $y = 3x + 7s - 3t + 2$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}y - \frac{7}{3}s + t - \frac{2}{3}$$

Possible Journal Response

- The rate of change is the slope. Since the height of the iceberg is decreasing at a rate of 5 feet per year, the slope is -5 . The y-intercept is the initial height of the iceberg, or 50. So the linear equation is $y = -5x + 50$, with $x =$ the number of years that have elapsed and $y =$ the height of the iceberg in feet.
- Slope-intercept form is $y = mx + b$, where m is the slope and b is the y-intercept. The goal is to isolate y . Starting with $4x + 2y = 6$, subtract $4x$ from both sides to get $2y = -4x + 6$. Then divide each side by 2 to get $y = -2x + 3$.
- If the second equation is written in slope-intercept form, it is the same as the first equation. So the equations are equivalent and have the same graph.
- First, find the y-intercept. Next, use two points to determine the slope m . The slope m is $\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$. Substitute the slope m and the y-intercept b into $y = mx + b$.
- If the slope is 0, the equation is $y = 0x + b$, or $y = b$. Its graph is a horizontal line through the point $(0, b)$. If the y-intercept is 0, then $b = 0$ and the graph goes through the origin. When both the slope and y-intercept are 0, the graph is the x-axis.