

GEOMETRY UNIT 12

Writing Linear Equations

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- **Content Objective:** Students will be able to identify the necessary information to write Linear Equations in Slope-Intercept form using Point-Slope form
- **Language Objective:** Students will be able to write linear equations in Slope-Intercept using Point-Slope form with given information

Forms of a linear equation - Review

- Quick Review on one of the previous forms we discussed for a linear equation:
- Slope - Intercept Form:

$$y = mx + b$$

With slope m and y -intercept b

- This form gives us points to graph a line...
- Our next form uses points to make an equation

Writing a Linear Equation – With a point and the slope

□ Point - Slope Form:

The equation of a line that passes through a point (x_1, y_1) and has slope m is

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

Writing a Linear Equation – With a point and the slope

- **Ex (from worksheet):** Give the equation, in Slope-Intercept form, that goes through the point (1, 4) and has slope $m = -3$.

Solution:

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

$$y - 4 = -3(x - 1)$$

$$y - 4 = -3x + 3$$

$$**y = -3x + 7**$$

Give the equation, in Slope-Intercept form, for the line with following points and slopes

□ **Point: (-4, -7)**

□ **Slope: $m = 3$**

Solution:

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

$$y - (-7) = 3(x - (-4))$$

$$y + 7 = 3x + 12$$

$$\mathbf{y = 3x + 5}$$

□ **Point: (6, 1)**

□ **Slope: $m = 1/2$**

Solution:

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

$$y - 1 = 1/2(x - 6)$$

$$y - 1 = 1/2x - 3$$

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

Writing Linear Equations

- Give the equation, in Slope-Intercept form, for the line with the following points: **(0, 1)** and **(3, -8)**

Solution: You must first find the slope, then use point-slope form.

Slope:

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \frac{-8 - 1}{3 - 0} \\ &= \frac{-9}{3} = -3 \end{aligned}$$

Equation: Pick either point, along with the slope

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

$$y - 1 = -3(x - 0)$$

$$y - 1 = -3x$$

$$\mathbf{y = -3x + 1}$$

Writing Linear Equations

- Give the equation, in Slope-Intercept form, for the line with the following points: **(4, 1)** and **(-4, 7)**

Slope:

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \frac{7 - 1}{-4 - 4} \\ &= \frac{6}{-8} = -\frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Equation: I chose (4, 1)

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

$$y - 1 = \frac{3}{4}(x - 4)$$

$$y - 1 = \frac{3}{4}x - 3$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x - 2$$

Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

- Recall our rules for the slopes of the following types of lines:
- Parallel: Their slopes are equal.
- Perpendicular: Their slopes have a product of -1 .

Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

- Given the following equation, already in slope-intercept form, identify the slope of a line that is parallel and perpendicular to it:

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

Solution: The slope of this line is $m = -\frac{2}{3}$

Thus

Slope of Parallel Line:

$$m_{\parallel} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

Slope of Perpendicular Line:

$$m_{\perp} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Equations for Horizontal and Vertical Lines



- Horizontal: $y = b$, where b can be any number

Recall: The slope is always Zero

- Vertical: $x = a$, where a can be any number

Recall: The slope is always undefined

Practice: All the Lines

- Write the linear equation, in Slope-Intercept Form, for a line the given information.

1.) Slope: -2 ; Passes Through $(8, 6)$

Equation:

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

$$y - 6 = -2(x - 8)$$

$$y - 6 = -2x + 16$$

$$**y = -2x + 22**$$

Practice: All the Lines

- Write the linear equation, in Slope-Intercept Form, for a line the given information.

2.) Slope: $-\frac{1}{4}$; Passes Through (3, 1)

Equation:

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

$$y - 1 = -\frac{1}{4}(x - 3)$$

$$y - 1 = -\frac{1}{4}x + \frac{3}{4}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{4}x + \frac{7}{4}$$

Practice: All the Lines

- Write the linear equation, in Slope-Intercept Form, for a line the given information.

3.) y-intercept: -3 ; Parallel to $y = -\frac{4}{5}x + 2$

Recall: $y = mx + b$

$$b = -3$$

$$m_{\parallel} = -\frac{4}{5}$$

Thus,

Equation: $y = -\frac{4}{5}x - 3$

Practice: All the Lines

- Write the linear equation, in Slope-Intercept Form, for a line the given information.

4.) y-intercept: 4; Perpendicular to $y = -\frac{7}{4}x + 9$

Recall: $y = mx + b$

$$b = 4$$

$$m_{\perp} = 4/7$$

Thus,

Equation: $y = \frac{4}{7}x + 4$

Practice: All the Lines

- Write the linear equation, in Slope-Intercept Form, for a line the given information.

5.) A vertical line through the point (5, 20)

Equation:

$$x = 5 \quad \text{Why?}$$

Practice: All the Lines

- Write the linear equation, in Slope-Intercept Form, for a line the given information.

6.) A horizontal line through the point (100, 4)

Equation:

$$y = 4 \quad \text{Why?}$$