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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:

$$
y=m x+b
$$

$m$ is the slope. It is the coefficient of $x$
$b$ is the y-intercept. It is always being added or subtracted.

## Identify slope and $\mathbf{y}$-intercept.

1) $y=3 x+4$

Slope: 3
y-intercept: 4
3) $y=5 x-3$

Slope: 5
$y$-intercept: -3
5) $y=-6 x+2$

Slope: -6
y-intercept: 2
7) $\frac{2}{5} x=y$

Slope: $\frac{2}{5}$
y-intercept: 0
9) $4-x=y$

Slope: - 1
y-intercept: 4
2) $y=3 x+2$

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

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

Slope: 1
y-intercept: 3
8) $y=x-8$

Slope: 1
y-intercept: -8
10) $4-\frac{5}{8} x=y$

Slope: $-\frac{5}{8}$
y-intercept: 4

## To Graph a Line in Slope-Intercept Form:

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

## Graph using slope - intercept form:

Example:

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

Step 1: Identify the $m$ and $b . \quad m=\frac{1}{2} \quad b=1$
Step 3: Plot the $y$-intercept and rise.
Step 4: Run right if + and left if - .
Step 5: Plot several points and connect.


Try These:

1) $y=2 x-4$

2) $2 x-4=y$

3) $y=-\frac{2}{5} x+1$

4) $2-\frac{1}{3} x=y$


## 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 intercect, making them parallel lines.

To determine if two lines are parallel: Find the slope of each line.

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 $(4,-3)$
Find the slope of each line by graphing.


Which two lines, if any, are parallel?
Line A and Line C are parallel because they have the same slope $\frac{1}{3}$

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

1) $\begin{aligned} y & =3 x+7 \\ y & =\frac{1}{3} x+7\end{aligned}$

No. The slopes are different
3 and $\frac{1}{3}$
2) $y=\frac{1}{2} x+4$
$4+\frac{1}{2} x=y$
Yes. They both have slopes of $\frac{1}{2}$

