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Notes

Algebra Section 4.6

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**Goal:** “You will write and graph direct variation equations”

**Direct Variation:**



$a =$

Similar to:

but:

Since:

Graph will always:

**1. Decide whether the equation represents direct variation. If so, identify the constant of variation.**

**Ex:**  $2x - 3y = 0$

Can the equation be rewritten so it is in the form  $y = ax$  ?

**Ex:**  $-x + y = 4$

**Ex:**  $-x + y = 1$

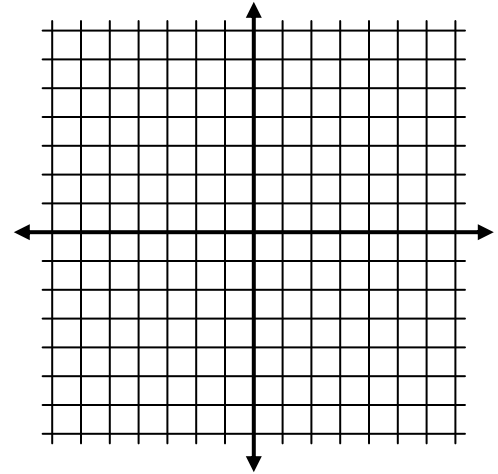
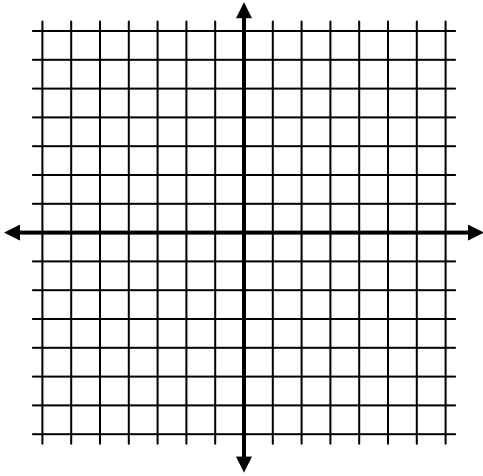
**Ex:**  $2x + y = 0$

**Ex:**  $4x - 5y = 0$

2. Graph a direct variation equation. (Graph the same way as: )

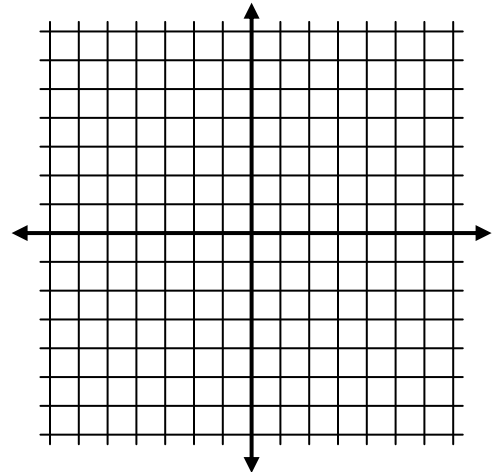
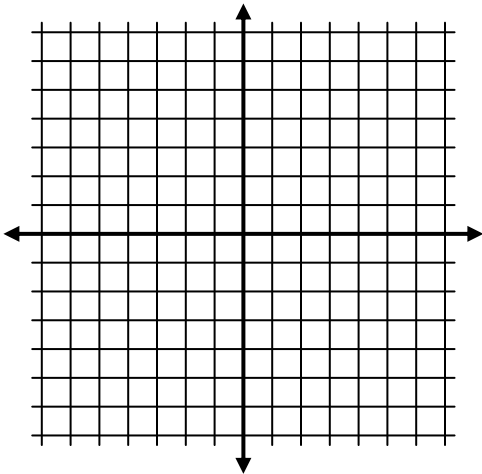
Ex:  $y = \frac{2}{3}x$

Ex:  $y = -3x$

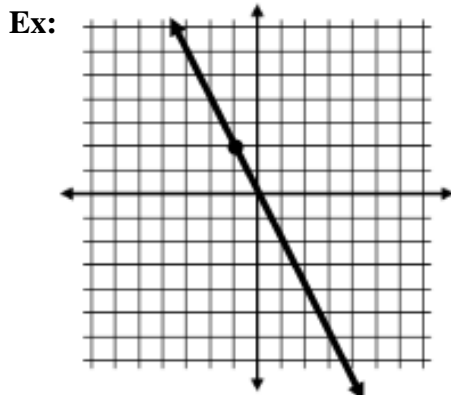


Ex:  $y = 2x$

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



3. Write a direct variation equation.



Find  $y$  when  $x = 60$ .

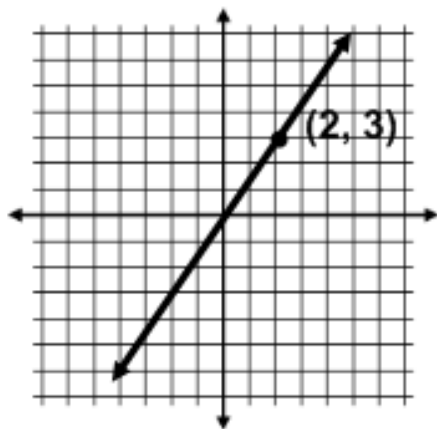
- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

**Ex:** The graph of a direct variation equation passes through the point (4, 6).

a) Write a direct variation equation relating  $x$  and  $y$ .

b) Find  $y$  when  $x = 24$ .

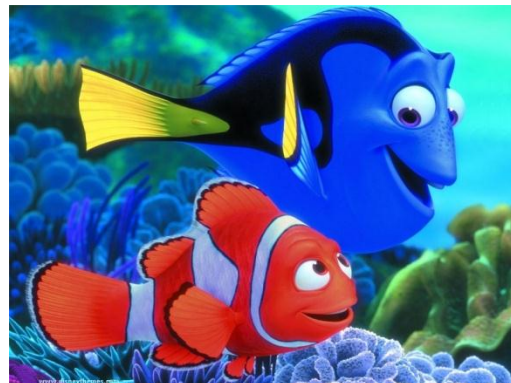
**Ex:** Write a direct variation equation and find  $y$  when  $x = 14$ .



**Ex:** The number  $s$ , of tablespoons of sea salt needed in a saltwater fish tank varies directly with the number  $w$ , of gallons of water in the tank. A pet shop owner recommends adding 100 tablespoons of sea salt to a 20 gallon tank.

a) Write a direct variation equation relating  $w$  and  $s$ .

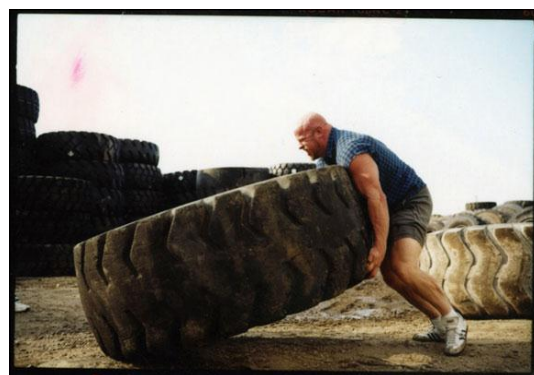
b) Find the number of tablespoons needed in a 30 gallon tank.



**Ex:** An object that weighs 100 pounds on Earth would weigh just 6 pounds on Pluto. Assume that weight  $p$ , on Pluto varies directly with weight  $e$ , on Earth.

a) Write a direct variation equation relating  $e$  and  $p$ .

b) What would a 750 pound rock weigh on Pluto?



**Ex:** The table shows the total cost  $c$ , of downloading  $s$  songs at an internet music site. Explain why  $c$  varies directly with  $s$ . Then write the direct variation equation.

$s$	$c$ (\$)
3	2.97
5	4.95
7	6.93

**Ex:** The table shows the total cost  $c$ , of buying  $d$  used DVD's at a music store.

$d$	$c$ (\$)
3	25.77
6	51.54
9	77.31

- Explain why  $c$  varies directly with  $d$ .
- Write the direct variation equation.