

Slope-Intercept Form of a Linear Equation

The equation of a line written in the form $y = mx + b$ is said to be in slope-intercept form. To write an equation in slope-intercept form, you need to **isolate y** by using the properties of equality.

Example #1:

Rewrite the equation $4x - 2y = 12$ in slope-intercept form.

$$4x - 2y = 12$$

$$-4x \quad -4x$$

$$\frac{-2y}{-2} = \frac{-4x}{-2} + \frac{12}{-2}$$

$$y = 2x - 6$$

1. Subtract $4x$ from each side to isolate y .

2. Simplify.

3. Divide each term by -2 to get y by itself.

4. Simplify.

Rewrite each of the following equations in $y = mx + b$ form. Show each step!

2) $x + y = -15$

3) $y + 8x = 1$

4) $-2x + y = 1$

5) $3y - 2x = 9$

6) $2y = -1x - 8$

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

$$8) \quad 2x + y = 5$$

$$9) \quad \frac{1}{4}y + 3 = -5x$$

$$10) \quad 3x + 2y = -6$$

$$11) \quad 3y = 2x + 15$$

$$12) \quad y - 4x = 8$$

$$13) \quad y - 8 = -\frac{1}{2}(x + 4)$$

$$14) \quad 3x - 4y = 8$$

$$15) \quad 6x - 2y = 10$$

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Rewrite Equations in $y = mx + b$ Form

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Rewrite each of the following equations in slope-intercept form, $y = mx + b$.

1) $8x - 4y = 20$

2) $2x + 3y = 12$

3) $2x + y = -11$

4) $8x + 4y = 12$

5) $3y = 4x - 27$

6) $x - 4y = 8$

7) $y + 9 = 2(x + 5)$

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