

Equations, Tables & Graphs

There are several ways to describe a pattern/relationship in mathematics:

- A sentence: When x increases by one, y increases/decreases by a number
- A table of values
- An equation
- A graph

We can use one type of description to create the others.

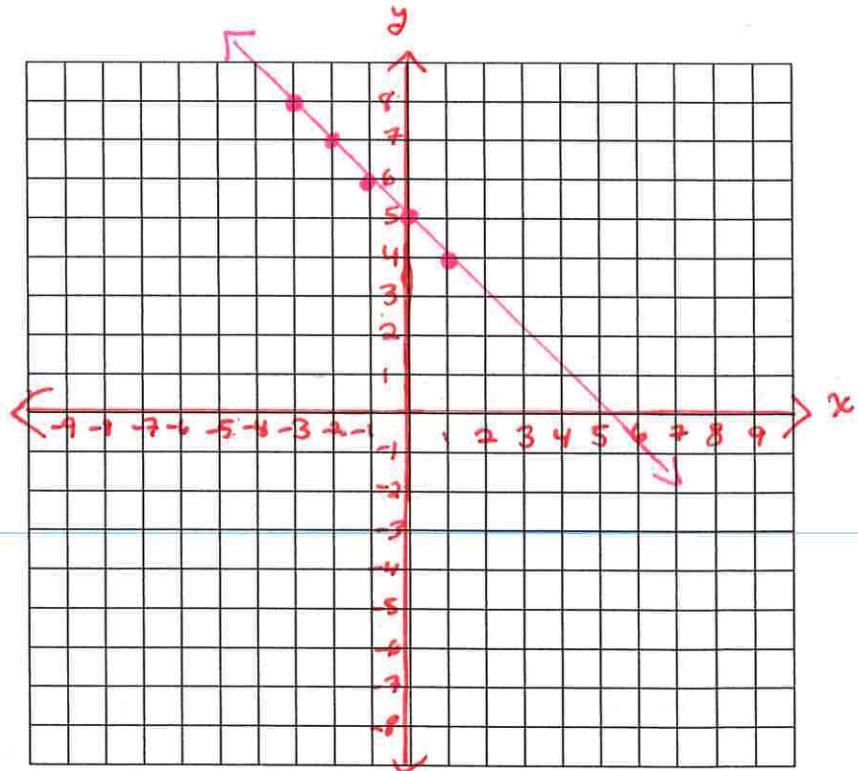
Example 1: A) Given an equation, complete a table of values.

- B) Using the table of values, describe the pattern between "x" and "y" values in a sentence.
- C) List 5 ordered pairs of the points that are on the graph.
- D) Graph the relation.

A)

$y = -x + 5$	
x	y
-3	8
-2	7
-1	6
0	5
1	4

D)



B) When x increases by 1, y decreases by 1

C) (-3, 8), (-2, 7), (-1, 6), (0, 5), (1, 4)

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad y &= -(-3) + 5 \\ y &= 3 + 5 \\ y &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad y &= -(-2) + 5 \\ y &= 2 + 5 \\ y &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad y &= -(-1) + 5 \\ y &= 1 + 5 \\ y &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{4} \quad y &= -(0) + 5 \\ y &= 0 + 5 \\ y &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{5} \quad y &= -(1) + 5 \\ y &= -1 + 5 \\ y &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2: A) Given an equation, complete a table of values.

B) Using the table of values, describe the pattern between "x" and "y" values in a sentence.

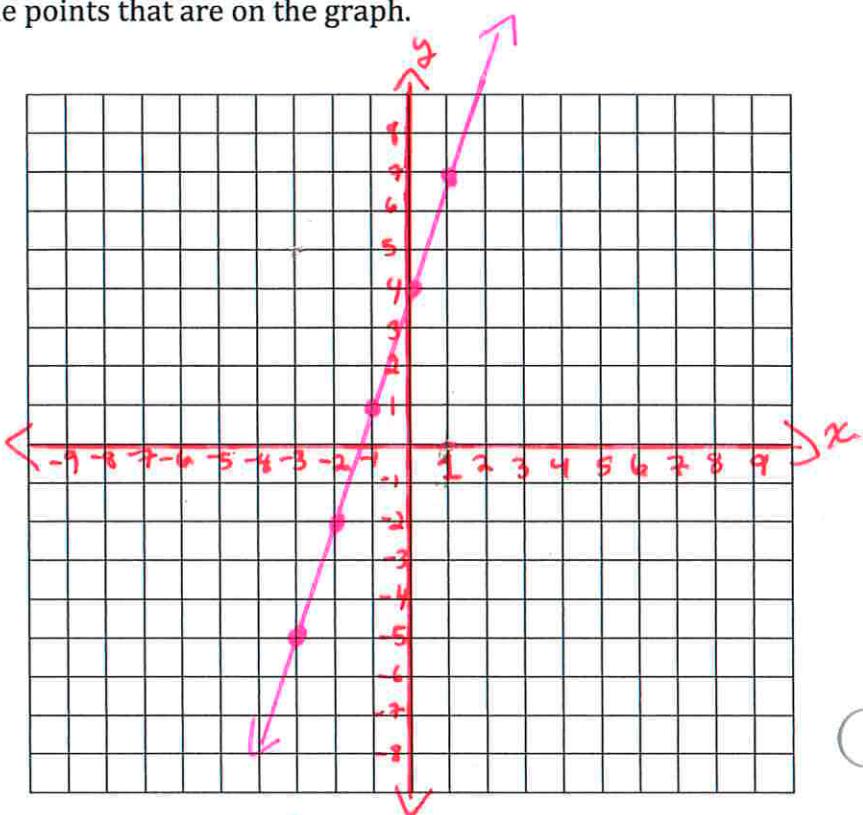
C) List 5 ordered pairs of the points that are on the graph.

D) Graph the relation.

A)

$y = 3x + 4$	
x	y
① -3	-5
② -2	-2
③ -1	1
④ 0	4
⑤ 1	7

D)



B) When x increases by 1, y increases by 3.

C) $(-3, -5), (-2, -2), (-1, 1), (0, 4), (1, 7)$,

$$\textcircled{1} \quad y = 3(-3) + 4$$

$$y = -9 + 4$$

$$y = -5$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad y = 3(-2) + 4$$

$$y = -6 + 4$$

$$y = -2$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad y = 3(-1) + 4$$

$$y = -3 + 4$$

$$y = 1$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad y = 3(0) + 4$$

$$y = 0 + 4$$

$$y = 4$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad y = 3(1) + 4$$

$$y = 3 + 4$$

$$y = 7$$

Example 3: A) Given an equation, complete a table of values. Hint: change the equation in such a way so it starts with $1y$.*)

B) Using the table of values, describe the pattern between "x" and "y" values in a sentence.

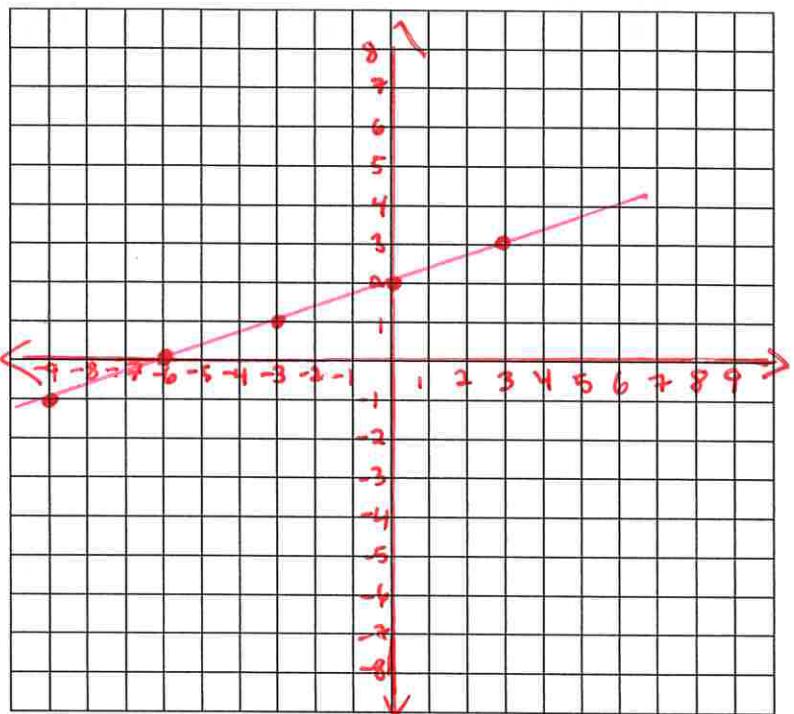
C) List 5 ordered pairs of the points that are on the graph.

D) Graph the relation.

A)

$3y = x + 6$	
x	y
-9	-1
-6	0
-3	1
0	2
3	3

D)



B) When x increases by 1, y increases by $\frac{1}{3}$

C) $(-9, -1), (-6, 0), (-3, 1), (0, 2), (3, 3)$,

*) Change $3y = x + 6$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad y = \frac{x}{3} + 2$$

$$y = -1$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad y = \frac{-6}{3} + 2$$

$$y = 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad y = \frac{-3}{3} + 2$$

$$y = 1$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad y = \frac{0}{3} + 2$$

$$y = 2$$

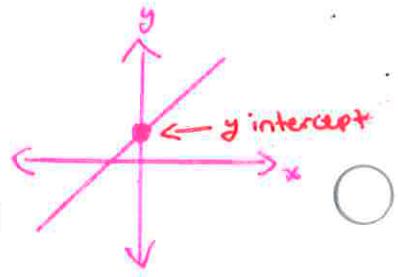
Pattern: when x increases by 3,
 y increases by 1.

$$\textcircled{5} \quad y = \frac{3}{3} + 2$$

$$y = 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline +3 \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{r} y \\ \hline +1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}$$



y-intercept

- y-intercept is a point where a graph intersects or touches the y-axis.
- y-intercept has coordinates of the form: $(0, \#)$
- A very convenient way to find the coordinates of the y-intercept when you know the equation is to substitute $x=0$ into the equation and solve for "y".

Example 1: Determine the y-intercept for each equation:

$y = 2x + 4$	$5y = -2x + 11$	$y = \frac{7}{8}x + 6$	$y = \frac{x}{9} + 4$	$-y - 1.5 = -0.6x$
$y = 2(0) + 4$ $y = 0 + 4$ $y = 4$	$\frac{5y}{5} = \frac{-2(0)+11}{5}$ $y = 0 + \frac{11}{5}$ $y = \frac{11}{5}$	$y = \frac{7}{8}(0) + 6$ $y = 0 + 6$ $y = 6$	$y = \frac{10}{9} + 4$ $y = 0 + 4$ $y = 4$	$-y - 1.5 = -0.6(0)$ $-y - 1.5 = 0$ $-y = 1.5$ $\frac{-y}{-1} = \frac{1.5}{-1}$ $y = 1.5$
The y-intercept is: $(0, 4)$	The y-intercept is: $(0, \frac{11}{5})$	The y-intercept is: $(0, 6)$	The y-intercept is: $(0, 4)$	The y-intercept is: $(0, -1.5)$

Conclusion: When the equation starts with "1y", the y-coordinate of the y-intercepts is the constant term on the other side of the equal sign.

To find the y-intercept in a table of values, find the row that has $x=0$.

To find the y-intercept on a graph, find the y-coordinate of the point of intersection of the graph and the y-axis.

Determining the Equation from a Table of Values

Steps:

- ① ➤ Determine the pattern: when x increases by 1, y increases (+)/decreases(-) by #
 - This will be the "pattern" number that will be written in front of the " x " in the equation.
- ② ➤ Using the pattern detected in the table of values, find the value of " y " when $x=0$.
 - This is the y -intercept that will be written at the end of the equation.
- ③ ➤ Write the question in the form: $y = \text{pattern number} \cdot x + y\text{-intercept}$

Example 1: Determine the equation given a table of values.

a)

x	y
-1	2.75
0	3
1	3.25
2	3.50
3	3.75

The pattern is:

When x increases by 1, y increases by 0.25

The y -intercept is:

$$(0, 3)$$

∴ The equation is

$$\boxed{y = 0.25 \cdot x + 3} \quad \text{or} \quad y = \frac{1}{4}x + 3$$

↑
Pattern
for y

↑
 y intercept

b)

x	y
0	7
1	10
2	13
3	16
4	19
5	22

The pattern is:

When $x \uparrow$ by 1, $y \uparrow$ by 3.

The y-intercept is:

$$(0, 7)$$

 \therefore The equation is

$$y = 3x + 7$$

c)

x	y
0	4
1	3.5
2	3
3	2.5
4	2
5	1.5

The pattern is:

When $x \uparrow$ by 1, $y \downarrow$ by 0.5

The y-intercept is:

$$(0, 4)$$

 \therefore The equation is

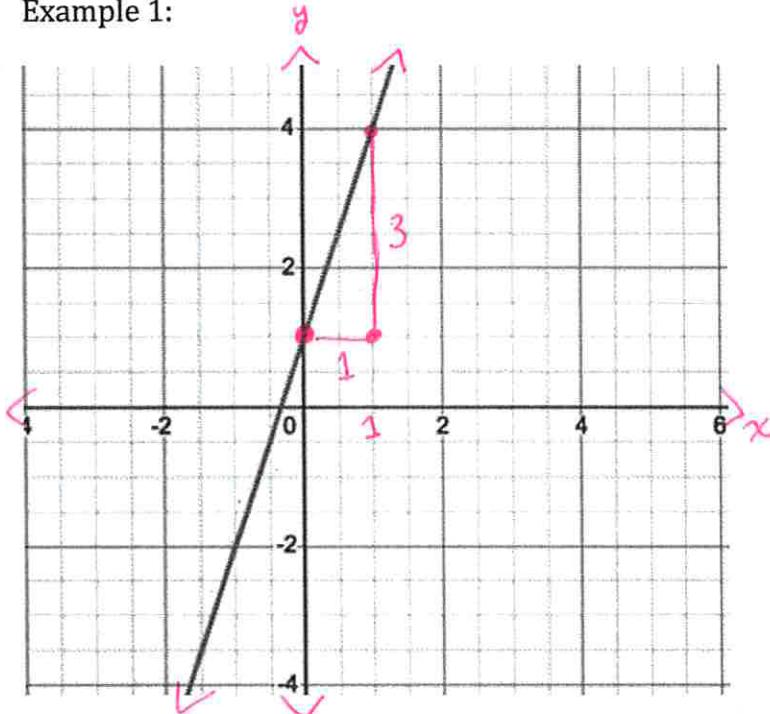
$$y = -0.5x + 4 \quad \text{or} \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 4$$

Determining the Equation from a Graph

Steps:

- ① ➤ Identify the y-intercept
- ② ➤ Identify the pattern: when x increase by 1, the value of "y" increases/decreases by a #
- ③ ➤ Put the two pieces of information into an equation: $y = \text{pattern number} \cdot x + \text{yintercept}$

Example 1:



The pattern is:

when $x \uparrow$ by 1, $y \uparrow$ by 3

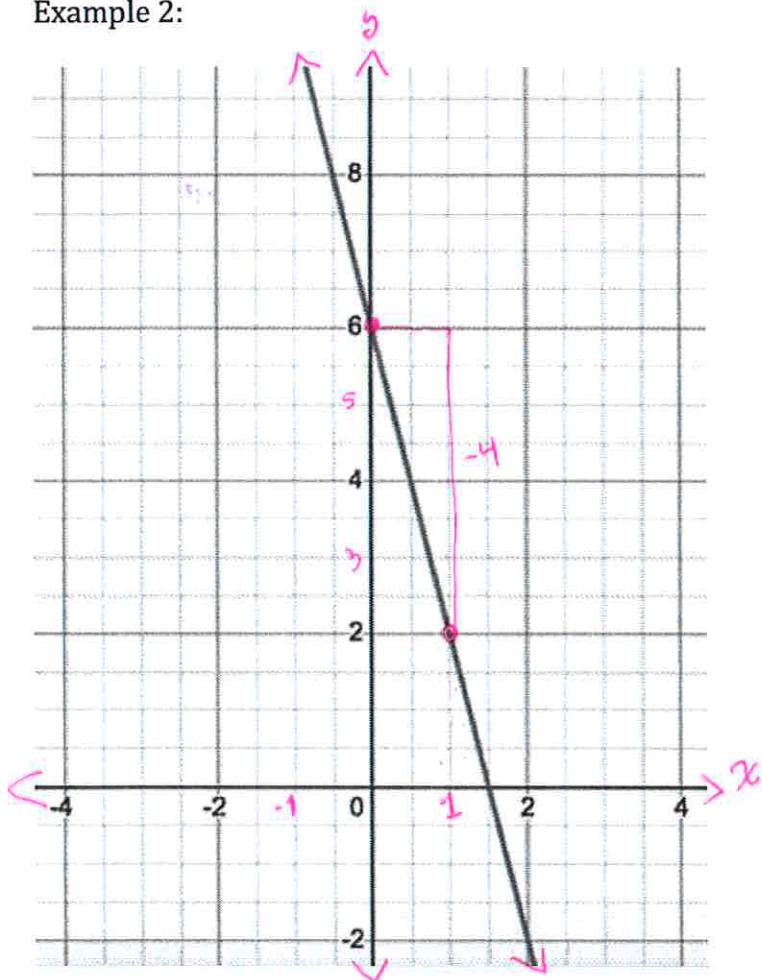
The y-intercept is:

$$(0, 1)$$

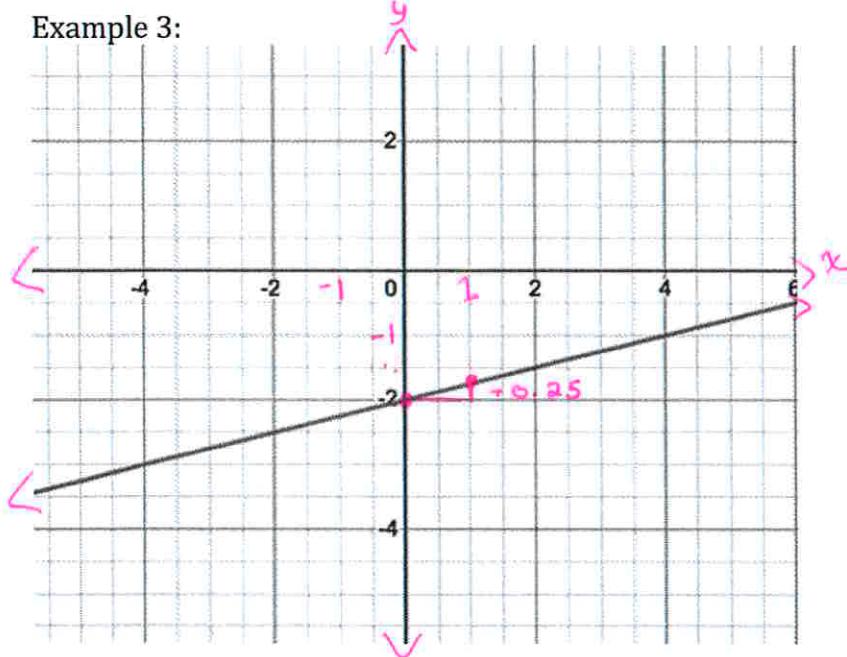
∴ The equation is

$$y = 3x + 1$$

Example 2:



Example 3:



The pattern is:

When $x \uparrow 1$, $y \downarrow$ by 4

The y-intercept is:

$$(0, 6)$$

∴ The equation is

$$y = -4x + 6$$

The pattern is:

When $x \uparrow$ by 1, $y \uparrow$ by 0.25

The y-intercept is:

$$(0, -2)$$

∴ The equation is

$$y = 0.25x - 2$$