

Table Rule Detectives

Find the equation behind each input-output pattern.

GRADE 6 • TEKS 6.6.B

6.6.B "write an equation that represents the relationship between independent and dependent quantities from a table; and"

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FIND THE RULE

If the output changes at a constant rate, write the relationship as $y=mx+b$. Find m by dividing the change in y by the change in x , then use one pair to find b .

WORKED EXAMPLE

Use the table to write an equation for y in terms of x .

INPUT AND OUTPUT

x	y
8	29
12	41
16	53

- As x increases by 4, y increases by 12.
- $12 / 4 = 3$, so $y=3x+b$.
- Use $(8,29)$: $29=3(8)+b$, so $b=5$.

Answer: $y=3x+5$

PRACTICE 5 problems

- 1** An input-output table has the pairs $(0,7)$, $(2,11)$, and $(4,15)$. Write an equation for y in terms of x .

ANSWER _____

- 2** An input-output table has the pairs $(0,10)$, $(4,18)$, and $(7,24)$. Write an equation for y in terms of x .

ANSWER _____

- 3** An input-output table has the pairs $(1,6)$, $(4,18)$, and $(7,30)$. Write an equation for y in terms of x .

ANSWER _____

- 4** An input-output table has the pairs $(0,14)$, $(6,26)$, and $(10,34)$. Write an equation for y in terms of x .

ANSWER _____

- 5** An input-output table has the pairs $(2,13)$, $(6,21)$, and $(9,27)$. Write an equation for y in terms of x .

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A music app tracks x downloaded songs and y total cost in cents. Its data pairs are $(0,7)$, $(2,15)$, and $(6,31)$. Write an equation for y in terms of x .

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** At an arcade, x is the number of game rounds and y is the total number of tokens used. A group records $(0,2)$, $(2,14)$, and $(4,26)$. Write an equation for y in terms of x .

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

A table pairs x and y as $(2,15)$, $(6,31)$, and $(9,43)$. Write an equation for y in terms of x . Then find y when $x=13$.

WORK SPACE AND ANSWER

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	An input-output table has the pairs (0,7), (2,11), and (4,15). Write an equation for y in terms of x.	$y=2x+7$
2	An input-output table has the pairs (0,10), (4,18), and (7,24). Write an equation for y in terms of x.	$y=2x+10$
3	An input-output table has the pairs (1,6), (4,18), and (7,30). Write an equation for y in terms of x.	$y=4x+2$
4	An input-output table has the pairs (0,14), (6,26), and (10,34). Write an equation for y in terms of x.	$y=2x+14$
5	An input-output table has the pairs (2,13), (6,21), and (9,27). Write an equation for y in terms of x.	$y=2x+9$

PART 2 • APPLY IT

1. $y=4x+7$ The cost rises 8 cents when the song count rises 2, so the rate is 4 cents per song. The starting cost is 7 cents.
2. $y=6x+2$ The token total rises 12 when the rounds rise 2, so the rate is 6 tokens per round. The starting amount is 2 tokens.

CHALLENGE

$$y=4x+7; \text{ when } x=13, y=59$$

Accept equivalent equations, such as $y-7=2x$ for $y=2x+7$. Students should identify the constant rate and starting value correctly.