

Slope Line Quest

Use a rate of change to graph proportional lines.

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7.PFA.1.c "Graph a line representing a proportional relationship, between two quantities given an ordered pair on the line and the slope, m , as rate of change. Slope may include positive or negative values."

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GRAPH FROM THE SLOPE

A proportional relationship has the form $y = mx$, so its graph always passes through $(0,0)$. Use the slope to check the given point, then plot the origin and the given point and draw a straight line through them.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Graph the proportional line that contains $(7,5)$ and has slope $m = 5/7$.

1. Write the proportional equation: $y = mx$.
2. Substitute the slope: $y = 5/7x$.
3. Plot $(0,0)$ and $(7,5)$.
4. Draw a straight line through both points.

Answer: $y = 5/7x$; graph the line through $(0,0)$ and $(7,5)$.

PRACTICE 6 problems

- 1** Graph the proportional line that contains $(3,9)$ and has slope $m = 3$.

ANSWER _____

- 2** Graph the proportional line that contains $(-4,2)$ and has slope $m = -1/2$.

ANSWER _____

- 3** Graph the proportional line that contains $(8,-6)$ and has slope $m = -3/4$.

ANSWER _____

- 4** Graph the proportional line that contains $(-5,-10)$ and has slope $m = 2$.

ANSWER _____

- 5** Graph the proportional line that contains $(12,3)$ and has slope $m = 1/4$.

ANSWER _____

- 6** Graph the proportional line that contains $(-9,-12)$ and has slope $m = 4/3$.

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** In a mobile game, x is the number of obstacle hits and y is the change in score. Each obstacle hit changes the score by -6 points. After 4 hits, the score change is -24 points. Graph the proportional relationship.

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** For a school spirit contest, x is the number of bracelets sold and y is the money earned in dollars. The team earns \$8 for each bracelet. After selling 6 bracelets, the team has earned \$48. Graph the proportional relationship.

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

A student says that the proportional line containing $(15, -10)$ with slope $m = -2/3$ also contains $(9, -8)$. Is the student correct? Explain, write the equation, and name two points to plot.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Graph the proportional line that contains (3,9) and has slope $m = 3$.	$y = 3x$; graph the line through (0,0) and (3,9).
2	Graph the proportional line that contains (-4,2) and has slope $m = -1/2$.	$y = -1/2x$; graph the line through (0,0) and (-4,2).
3	Graph the proportional line that contains (8,-6) and has slope $m = -3/4$.	$y = -3/4x$; graph the line through (0,0) and (8,-6).
4	Graph the proportional line that contains (-5,-10) and has slope $m = 2$.	$y = 2x$; graph the line through (0,0) and (-5,-10).
5	Graph the proportional line that contains (12,3) and has slope $m = 1/4$.	$y = 1/4x$; graph the line through (0,0) and (12,3).
6	Graph the proportional line that contains (-9,-12) and has slope $m = 4/3$.	$y = 4/3x$; graph the line through (0,0) and (-9,-12).

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- $y = -6x$; graph the line through (0,0) and (4,-24).** The rate of change is -6 points per hit, so $m = -6$. A proportional relationship starts at the origin, and $-6(4) = -24$.
- $y = 8x$; graph the line through (0,0) and (6,48).** The rate is \$8 per bracelet, so $m = 8$. Since $8(6) = 48$, the given point is on $y = 8x$.

CHALLENGE

No. When $x = 9$, $y = (-2/3)(9) = -6$, not -8. The equation is $y = -2/3x$. Plot (0,0) and (15,-10).

Accept equivalent equations such as $y = 3x$ or $3x = y$. For each graph, accept any accurate straight line through the origin and the given point.