

# Concept: Equation of a Straight Line

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## PART A: COMPUTER COMPONENT

**Instructions:** In  follow the **Content Menu** path:  
**Graphing > Equation of a Straight Line**

 Work through all Sub Lessons of the following Lessons **in order**:

- *Graph  $y=mx+b$*
- *Slope y-intercept Equations*
- *Exercises: Slope, y- intercept*
- *Parallel & Perpendicular Lines*

**NOTE:** You will not be finishing the entire section before stopping to complete some **OFF COMPUTER EXERCISES**.

*Additional Required Materials: Graph Paper*

 As you work through the computer exercises, you will be prompted to make notes in your notebook/math journal..

When you reach the end of the lesson *Parallel & Perpendicular Lines* on the computer, move on to the **OFF COMPUTER EXERCISES** below.

### NOTES

▷The y intercept is the value of the \_\_\_\_\_ coordinate at the point where is the x coordinate is \_\_\_\_\_.

▷We can graph a straight line by finding \_\_\_\_\_ point (*the easiest point is found by determining the \_\_\_\_\_ -intercept and then using the \_\_\_\_\_ to sketch the line*).

▷The equation of a straight line can be expressed in the form  $y = \text{_____}x + \text{_____}$ .  
 Where \_\_\_\_\_ is the slope and \_\_\_\_\_ is the y-intercept.

▷When 2 lines are parallel, the lines will \_\_\_\_\_ intersect. Their slopes are \_\_\_\_\_.

▷When 2 lines are perpendicular, the lines meet at \_\_\_\_\_. Their slopes are \_\_\_\_\_.

### OFF COMPUTER EXERCISES

NOTE: *You will need extra sheets of graph paper for this section.*

1. For each of the 2 lines below, you are given the slope and the y-intercept. For each line, write the equation and graph it on grid paper using the slope and y-intercept. *Then check your graph by finding a third point on the line.*

(a) Slope of  $-2$ , y-intercept of  $5$

Equation:

(b) Slope of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , y-intercept of  $0$

Equation:

2. Use the slope and the y intercept to graph each of the following lines. *Then use a 3<sup>rd</sup> point on the line to check your graph.*

(a)  $y = \frac{2x}{5} + 3$

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

3. A line has an x-intercept of  $4$  and a y-intercept of  $5$ . *Graph this line.*

Equation:

4. You are given the line.  $y = 3x + 2$

(a) The slope is \_\_\_\_\_.

(b) The y intercept is \_\_\_\_\_.

(c) *Use the y intercept and the slope to graph this line on grid paper.*

(d) The slope of a line, which is perpendicular to the line above, is \_\_\_\_\_.

(e) On the grid paper, draw many lines which are perpendicular to  $y = 3x + 2$ .

(f) Use a red pencil to draw the particular perpendicular line, which has y intercept  $-4$ . *What is the equation of this red line?*

Equation:

5. Raul packages CDs and is paid according to  $y = .25x + 4$ , where  $y$  is his earnings and  $x$  is the number of CD's packaged.

(a) Graph this equation.

(b) Find the slope and interpret its meaning. \_\_\_\_\_

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(c) Find the y intercept and interpret its meaning. \_\_\_\_\_

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