



Putting the Pieces Together

Let's use the slope and points to write equations.

18.1 Worked Example: Find the Slope

Identify the slope of the linear equation $3x + 2y = 7$.

Step 1:

$$\begin{aligned} 3x + 2y &= 7 \\ 2y &= -3x + 7 \end{aligned}$$

Step 2:

$$\begin{aligned} 2y &= -3x + 7 \\ y &= \frac{-3}{2}x + \frac{7}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Step 3:

The slope is $\frac{-3}{2}$.

18.2 Find the Line

Write the equation of each line using the information given.

1. The slope of the line is -2 and the y -intercept is 5.
2. The slope of the line is 3 and the x -intercept is 2.



3. The slope of the line is $\frac{4}{5}$ and a point on the line is (5, 6).

4. The slope of the line is -1 and a point on the line is (-5, -2).

18.3 Where's the Line?

Write the equation of the line that goes through each pair of points:

1. (0, -4) and (-8, 0)

2. (0, 1) and (1, 3)

3. (1, -3) and (6, 7)

4. (2, 1) and (4, -3)

