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Graphing Functions

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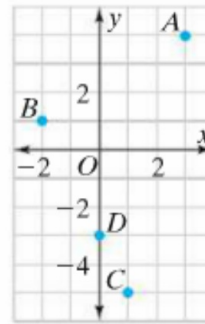
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What You'll Learn

To graph functions using data in a table.

🔊 **New Vocabulary** linear function**Check Skills You'll Need**

Give the coordinates for each point.



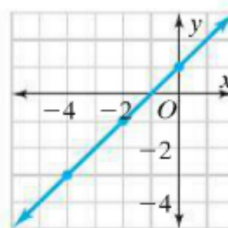
2. A 3. B
 4. C 5. D

Why Learn This?

You can use the data in a table to graph a function. The graph and the table both model the same function, but in different ways.

A function is a **linear function** if its graph is a line. For data in a table, graph the data as points. If you can join the points with a line, then the relationship of the data is a linear function. The data points for a nonlinear function do not fall on a line.

x	y
0	1
-2	-1
-4	-3



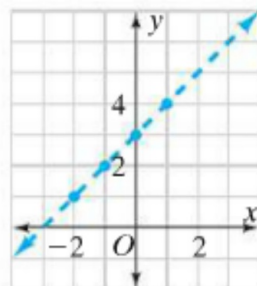
EXAMPLE**Graphing a Function from a Table**

- 1 Graph the data in the table. Determine whether the relationship is a linear function.

Plot the points $(-2, 1)$, $(-1, 2)$, $(0, 3)$, and $(1, 4)$.

Connect the points. These four points lie on the same line.

The function is linear.



x	y
-2	1
-1	2
0	3
1	4

- 1 **EXAMPLE** Complete the function table given the rule:

$$\text{Output} = \text{Input} \div (-3).$$

Input	Output
-9	3
-3	1
12	-4
15	-5

← Divide -9 by -3 . Place 3 in the Output column.

← Divide -3 by -3 . Place 1 in the Output column.

← Divide 12 by -3 . Place -4 in the Output column.

← Divide 15 by -3 . Place -5 in the Output column.

EXAMPLE Graphing a Function

- 2 Make a table and graph some points of the function $y = x + 3$.

x	y
-2	1
-1	2
0	3
1	4
2	5

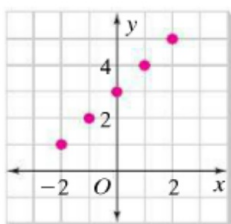
← $-2 + 3 = 1$

← $-1 + 3 = 2$

← $0 + 3 = 3$

← $1 + 3 = 4$

← $2 + 3 = 5$



Test Prep Tip

When making a table of values for a function rule, choose lesser values for the independent variable so that you are less likely to make a computation error.

- 2 **Graphing a Function** Make a table and graph some points of the function $y = -2x$.

Input (x)	Output (y)
-2	4
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0	<input type="text"/>
1	<input type="text"/>
2	-4

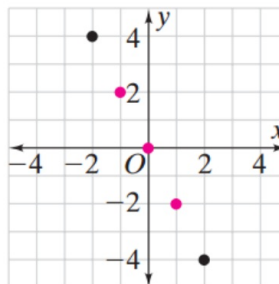
← $-2(-2) = 4$

← $-2(-1) =$

← $-2() =$

← $-2() =$

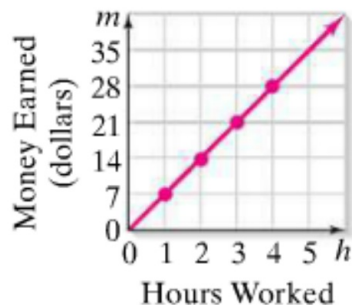
← $-2(2) = -4$



EXAMPLE**Application: Salaries**

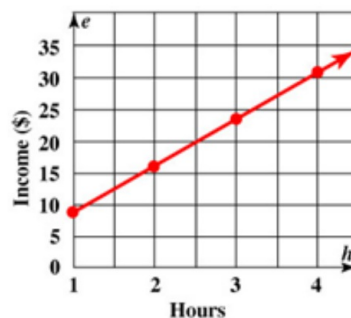
- 3 A babysitter makes \$7 an hour. The function $m = 7h$ shows how the money m he earns relates to the number of hours h he works. Make a table and graph the function.

Hours Worked	Money Earned (dollars)
1	7
2	14
3	21
4	28



- 3 **EXAMPLE** Henry receives \$8.00 per hour for babysitting two children. The function $e = 8h$ shows how the earnings e relate to the number of hours h that Henry babysits. Make a table and graph the function.

Hours	Earnings (\$)
1	8
2	16
3	24
4	32



More Than One Way

A pizza delivery person receives \$5 each day he reports to work and \$2 for each pizza he delivers. You can express this situation as the function $y = 5 + 2x$, where y = earnings and x = number of pizzas he delivers. How much will the delivery person earn in one day if he delivers 25 pizzas?



Jessica's Method

I can evaluate the equation to find the amount the delivery person earns. To do so, I replace x with the 25 pizzas he delivers.

$$y = 5 + 2x \quad \leftarrow \text{Write the equation.}$$

$$y = 5 + 2(25) \quad \leftarrow \text{Substitute 25 for } x.$$

$$y = 55$$

The delivery person will earn \$55 for delivering 25 pizzas.

Leon's Method

If I make a table and a graph, I can tell how much the delivery person earns for delivering different numbers of pizzas.

x	y
0	5
5	15
10	25
15	35



All the points lie on a line, so I can use the graph to find the amount earned for 25 pizzas delivered. When $x = 25$, the y -value is 55. So the delivery person earned \$55.

Check Your Understanding

1. **Vocabulary** Describe the graph of a linear function.

2. **Reasoning** How are the graph and table for a function related?

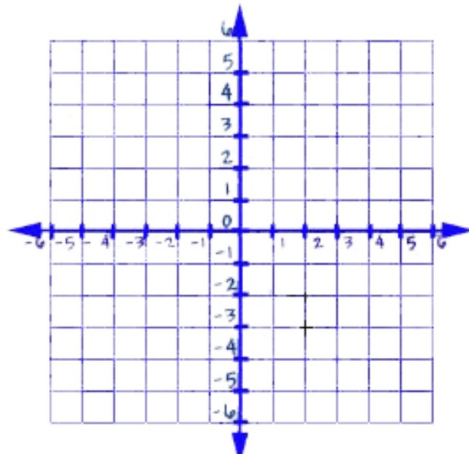
3. Complete the table for the function $y = x + 3$.

x	y
-4	<input type="text"/>
-3	<input type="text"/>
-2	<input type="text"/>
-1	<input type="text"/>

4. What are the ordered pairs for the table in Exercise 3?

5. Complete the table and then graph three points of the function $y = 3x$.

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-1	<input type="text"/>
0	<input type="text"/>
1	<input type="text"/>

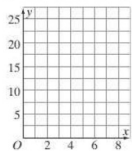


Practice 7-4 Graphing Functions

Graph the data in the table. Determine whether the relationship is a linear function.

1.

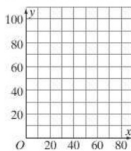
Input	1	2	3	4	5
Output	5	10	15	20	25



Is it linear? _____

2.

Input	10	20	30	40	50
Output	20	40	60	70	100



Is it linear? _____

Make a table and graph each function. Use x -values of $-2, -1, 0, 1,$ and 2 .

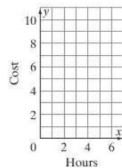
3. $y = x - 1$



4. $y = 3x$



5. A parking garage charges \$3.50 per hour to park. The function rule: $c = 3.5h$ shows how the number of hours h relates to the parking charge c . Graph the function.



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