

- What kind of function best represents the path of each ditch digger?

# A LINEAR FUNCTION

- Every function is based on an equation that represents all of the equation's solutions.

- Describe some aspects of the first ditch digger's path.

- Constant rate: change in  $y$  for every two  $x$ 's:  $m = \frac{1}{2}$
- Linear!
- $y$ -intercept:  $(0, 2) \rightarrow$  starting point

So one way we can write an equation of a line is by creating an equivalent equation with the slope formula.

## Using the formula for slope to make the equation for a linear function

- Slope formula
- Substitute the slope of ditch digger 1  
 $m = \frac{1}{2}$
- Get this formula in function form.  
(Get  $y_2 - y_1$  by itself)
- Equation



- $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
- $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
- $(x_2 - x_1) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{\cancel{x_2 - x_1}} \cdot \cancel{(x_2 - x_1)}$
- $(x_2 - x_1) \frac{1}{2} = y_2 - y_1$

## Part 2: Point-Slope Form

Point-Slope Form: how an equation can be written if one point on the line is known and the slope is known

where...

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$(x_1, y_1) \leftarrow$  coord of known point  
 $m \leftarrow$  slope of line

$$\{ y - 5 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 6) \}$$



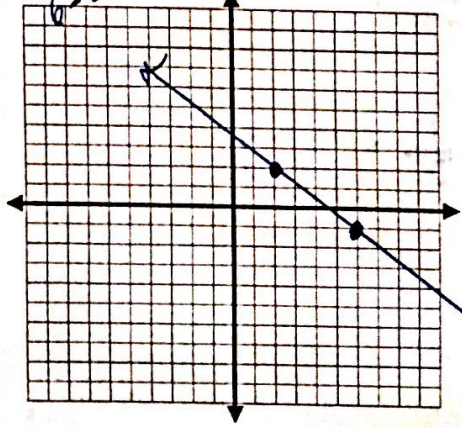
Find the equation for the line that represents the path of the second ditch digger.

- Slope:
- Given the ordered pairs the line goes through, how many different equations can we write to represent the line that contains them? 6: one for each ordered pair.
- Points:

	Point	Using the slope and point, write the equation of the line in point-slope form
Day 0		
Day 1		
Day 2		
Day 3		
Day 4		
Day 5		

Write two equations in point-slope form for the graphed line.

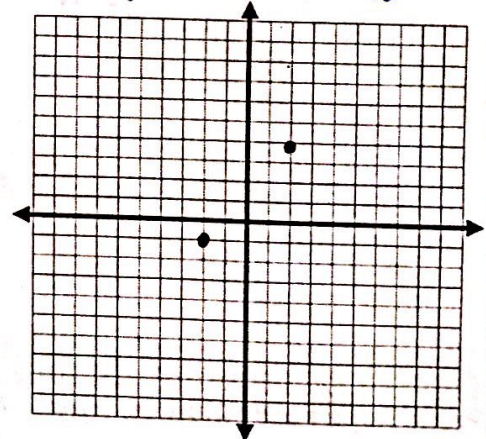
$m = \frac{-1-2}{6-2} = -\frac{3}{4}$  (2,2) (6,-1)



1. Calculate the slope
  - a. Use the formula
  - b. Or count: start with point on left, and find the slope using rise over run.
2. Choose the coordinates of one of the points the line goes through.
3. Substitute the slope and the point into the point-slope form.

2)  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$   
 $y - 2 = -\frac{3}{4}(x - 2)$   
 (-1, 6)  
 $y + 1 = -\frac{3}{4}(x - 6)$

$x_1, y_1$  (-2, 1)       $x_2, y_2$  (2, 4)



1)  $m = \frac{4-1}{2-(-2)} \rightarrow \frac{3}{4} = m$   
 2)  $(-2, 1)$  or  $(2, 4)$   
 $y - 1 = \frac{3}{4}(x - (-2))$  or  $y - 4 = \frac{3}{4}(x - 2)$   
 $y - 1 = \frac{3}{4}(x + 2)$        $y - 4 = \frac{3}{4}(x - 2)$



How to find the equation of a line between two points: Write in Point-Slope Form

Ex 1:  $(-6, -6), (2, -2)$   
 $x_1, y_1 \quad x_2, y_2$

$$m = \frac{-2 - (-6)}{2 - (-6)} = \frac{4}{8}$$

$$m = \frac{1}{2}$$

Equation 1:  $(-6, -6)$   
 $y - (-6) = \frac{1}{2}(x - (-6))$

OR

Equation 2:  $(2, -2)$   
 $y - (-2) = \frac{1}{2}(x - 2)$

1. Calculate the slope

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

2. Choose one of the two points

3. Substitute the slope and the coordinates of the chosen point into point-slope form.

$$f(x) = y$$

Ex 2:  $(1, 7), (2, 3)$   
 $x_1, y_1 \quad x_2, y_2$

$$m = \frac{3 - 7}{2 - 1} = \frac{-4}{1}$$

$$m = -4$$

Equation 1:  $(1, 7)$   
 $y - 7 = -4(x - 1)$

OR

Equation 2:  $(2, 3)$   
 $y - 3 = -4(x - 2)$

How to find the equation of a line using function form: Write in Point-Slope Form

Ex 3:  $f(-1) = -4 \rightarrow (-1, -4)$   
 $f(6) = 10 \rightarrow (6, 10)$   
 $x_1, y_1 \quad x_2, y_2$

$$m = \frac{10 - (-4)}{6 - (-1)} = \frac{14}{7}$$

$$m = 2$$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

Equation 1:

$$(-1, -4) = y + 4 = 2(x + 1)$$

OR

Equation 2:

$$(6, 10) = y - 10 = 2(x - 6)$$

1. Interpret the function form as ordered pairs  $(x, y)$

$$f(x) = y$$

Rewrite function form as two ordered pairs.

2. Calculate slope using the coordinates and the formula for slope.

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

3. Choose the coordinates of one point.

4. Substitute the slope calculated and the coordinates of the point into point-slope form.

Ex 4:  $f(3) = 4 \rightarrow (3, 4)$   
 $f(-6) = 16 \rightarrow (-6, 16)$   
 $x_1, y_1 \quad x_2, y_2$

$$m = \frac{16 - 4}{-6 - 3} = \frac{12}{-9} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{-4}{3}\right)$$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

Equation 1:  $(3, 4)$

$$y - 4 = -\frac{4}{3}(x - 3)$$

OR

Equation 2:  $(-6, 16)$

$$y - 16 = -\frac{4}{3}(x - (-6))$$

$$y - 16 = -\frac{4}{3}(x + 6)$$



Using point-slope form to model

1. Toni is finishing a scarf at a constant rate. The table shows the number of hours Toni has spent knitting this week and the corresponding number of rows in the scarf.

Hours	$x_1$ 2	$x_2$ 4	6
Rows of Knitting	38	44	50
	$y_1$	$y_2$	

- a. Identify the independent and dependent variables; identify which one is x and which one is y.



x : hours

y : rows of knitting

- b. Find the rate of change from the table's data.

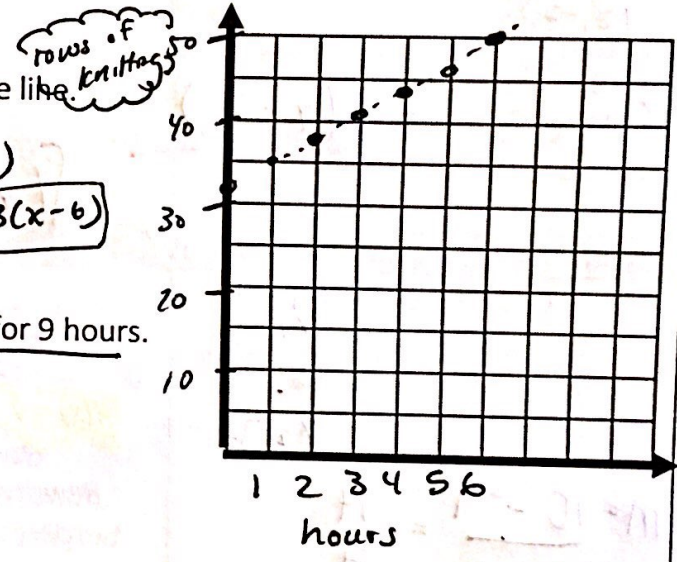
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (2, 38) \\ x_1 \ y_1 \\ (4, 44) \\ x_2 \ y_2 \end{array} \right\} m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \rightarrow m = \frac{44 - 38}{4 - 2} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

- c. Write an equation in point-slope form representing the line.

$m = 3$

or  $(2, 38)$  or  $(4, 44)$  or  $(6, 50)$

$y - 38 = 3(x - 2)$  or  $y - 44 = 3(x - 4)$  or  $y - 50 = 3(x - 6)$



- d. Use the equation to find the total rows if Toni knitted for 9 hours.

$$\begin{aligned} y - 38 &= 3(9 - 2) \\ y - 38 &= 3(7) \\ y - 38 &= 21 \\ +38 & \quad +38 \\ \hline y &= 59 \text{ rows} \end{aligned}$$

- e. What does the y-intercept of the function represent?

THE y-INTERCEPT REPRESENTS THE NUMBER OF ROWS TONI HAD AT THE BEGINNING OF THE WEEK.

Exit Ticket: What do you know about the graph of a line if its written in point-slope form?