

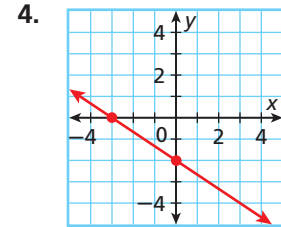
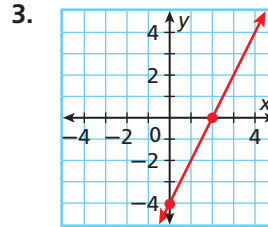
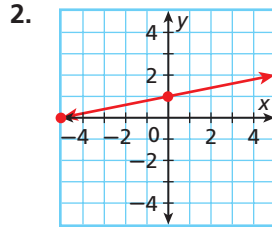
GUIDED PRACTICE

1. **Vocabulary** The ____? ____ is the y -coordinate of the point where a graph crosses the y -axis. (x -intercept or y -intercept)

SEE EXAMPLE 1

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- 1 Find the
- x
- and
- y
- intercepts.



5. $2x - 4y = 4$

6. $-2y = 3x - 6$

7. $4y + 5x = 2y - 3x + 16$

SEE EXAMPLE 2

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8. **Biology** To thaw a specimen stored at -25°C , the temperature of a refrigeration tank is raised 5°C every hour. The temperature in the tank after x hours can be described by the function $f(x) = -25 + 5x$.

- a. Graph the function and find its intercepts.
b. What does each intercept represent?

SEE EXAMPLE 3

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- 3 Use intercepts to graph the line described by each equation.

9. $4x - 5y = 20$

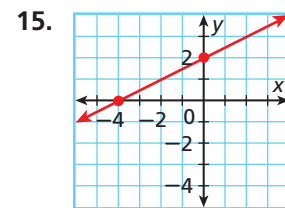
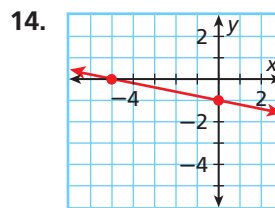
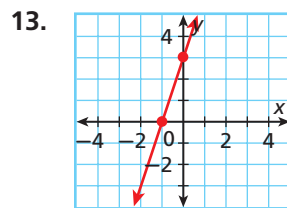
10. $y = 2x + 4$

11. $\frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{4}y = 2$

12. $-5y + 2x = -10$

PRACTICE AND PROBLEM SOLVING

- Find the
- x
- and
- y
- intercepts.



16. $6x + 3y = 12$

17. $4y - 8 = 2x$

18. $-2y + x = 2y - 8$

19. $4x + y = 8$

20. $y - 3x = -15$

21. $2x + y = 10x - 1$

22. **Environmental Science** A fishing lake was stocked with 300 bass. Each year, the population decreases by 25. The population of bass in the lake after x years is represented by the function $f(x) = 300 - 25x$.

- a. Graph the function and find its intercepts.
b. What does each intercept represent?

23. **Sports** Julie is running a 5-kilometer race. She ran 1 kilometer every 5 minutes. Julie's distance from the finish line after x minutes is represented by the function $f(x) = 5 - \frac{1}{5}x$.

- a. Graph the function and find its intercepts.
b. What does each intercept represent?

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Biology



Bamboo is the world's fastest-growing woody plant. Some varieties can grow more than 30 centimeters a day and up to 40 meters tall.

Use intercepts to graph the line described by each equation.

24. $4x - 6y = 12$

25. $2x + 3y = 18$

26. $\frac{1}{2}x - 4y = 4$

27. $y - x = -1$

28. $5x + 3y = 15$

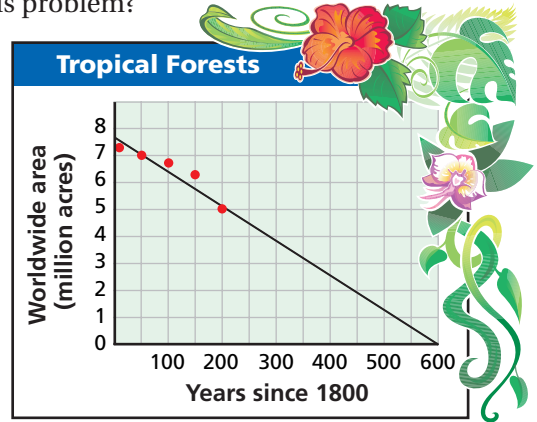
29. $x - 3y = -1$

30. **Biology** A bamboo plant is growing 1 foot per day. When you first measure it, it is 4 feet tall.

- a. Write an equation to describe the height y , in feet, of the bamboo plant x days after you measure it.
- b. What is the y -intercept?
- c. What is the meaning of the y -intercept in this problem?

31. **Estimation** Look at the scatter plot and trend line.

- a. Estimate the x - and y -intercepts.
- b. What is the real-world meaning of each intercept?



32. **Personal Finance** A bank employee notices an abandoned checking account with a balance of \$412. If the bank charges a \$4 monthly fee for the account, the function $b = 412 - 4m$ shows the balance b in the account after m months.

- a. Graph the function and give its domain and range. (*Hint:* The bank will keep charging the monthly fee even after the account is empty.)
- b. Find the intercepts. What does each intercept represent?
- c. When will the bank account balance be 0?

33. **Critical Thinking** Complete the following to learn about intercepts and horizontal and vertical lines.

- a. Graph $x = -6$, $x = 1$, and $x = 5$. Find the intercepts.
- b. Graph $y = -3$, $y = 2$, and $y = 7$. Find the intercepts.
- c. Write a rule describing the intercepts of functions whose graphs are horizontal and vertical lines.

Match each equation with a graph.

34. $-2x - y = 4$

35. $y = 4 - 2x$

36. $2y + 4x = 8$

37. $4x - 2y = 8$

