

**5.3: Write Linear Equations In Point-Slope Form**

- Goals:** \*Write an equation of a line in point-slope form given a point and slope  
 \*Graph an equation of a line written in point-slope form  
 \*Write an equation of a line given two points
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**Point-Slope Form:** a way to write an equation of a line in the form:  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

**Write an equation in point-slope form given a point and the slope:**

**Ex:**  $(4, -3), m = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - (-3) &= 2(x - 4) \\ y + 3 &= 2(x - 4) \end{aligned}$$

**Ex:**  $(-1, 4), m = -2$

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - (-1) &= -2(x - (-1)) \\ y + 1 &= -2(x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

**Ex:**  $(-3, 1), m = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - (-3) &= 3(x - 1) \\ y + 3 &= 3(x - 1) \end{aligned}$$

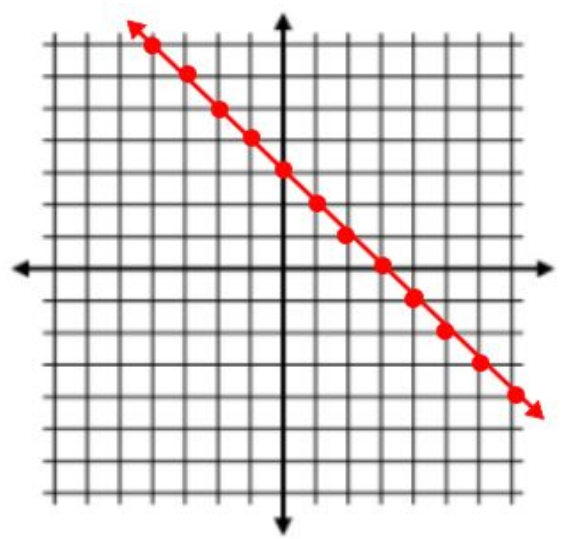
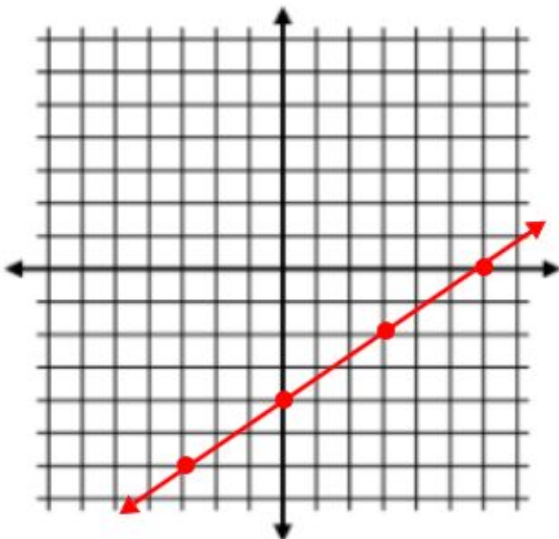
**Ex:**  $(3, 7), m = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - 7 &= -1(x - 3) \\ y - 7 &= -1(x - 3) \end{aligned}$$

**Graph an equation in point-slope form:**

**Ex:**  $y + 2 = \frac{2}{3}(x - 3)$

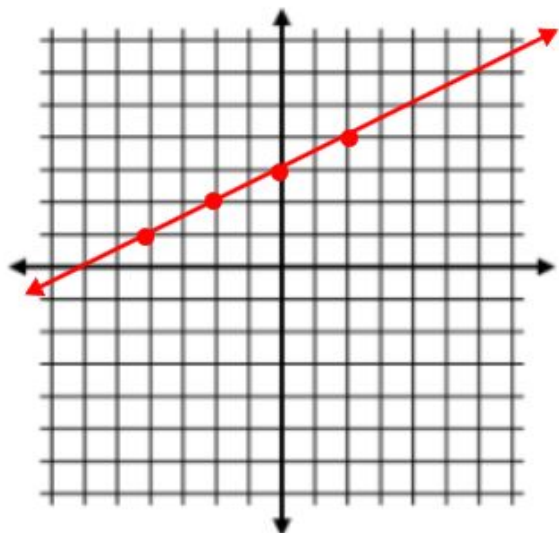
**Ex:**  $y - 1 = -(x - 2)$



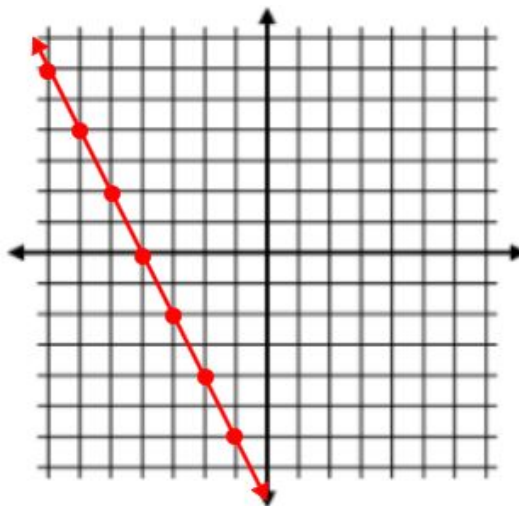
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**Ex:**  $y - 2 = \frac{1}{2}(x + 2)$



**Ex:**  $y + 4 = -2(x + 2)$



**Write the equation of the line in point-slope form given two points:**

**Ex:**  $(-1, 3), (1, 1)$

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

$$y - 1 = -1(x - 1)$$

**Ex:**  $(-2, 3), (1, -3)$

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

$$y - 3 = -2(x + 2)$$

**Ex:**  $(2, 3), (4, 4)$

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

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