

Writing Equations of Lines Practice

Write the slope-intercept form of the equation of the line through the given point with the given slope.

1) through: $(3, 2)$, slope = -1

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = -1x + b$$

$$2 = -1(3) + b$$

$$2 = -3 + b$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +3 \quad +3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$5 = b$$

$$y = -x + 5$$

3) through: $(-5, 4)$, slope = $-\frac{8}{5}$

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = -\frac{8}{5}x + b$$

$$4 = -\frac{8}{5}\left(\frac{-5}{1}\right) + b$$

$$4 = 8 + b$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -8 \quad -8 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$-4 = b$$

$$y = -\frac{8}{5}x - 4$$

2) through: $(-1, 0)$, slope = 2

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = 2x + b$$

$$0 = 2(-1) + b$$

$$0 = -2 + b$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +2 \quad +2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$2 = b$$

$$y = 2x + 2$$

4) through: $(3, -1)$, slope = -2

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = -2x + b$$

$$-1 = -2(3) + b$$

$$-1 = -6 + b$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +6 \quad +6 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$5 = b$$

$$y = -2x + 5$$

Write the slope-intercept form of the equation of the line through the given points.

5) through: $(-2, 5)$ and $(-1, -4)$

$$\begin{aligned} +1 < \begin{matrix} -2, 5 \\ -1, -4 \end{matrix} > -9 & \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{-9}{1} = -9 \\ y = -9x + b \\ -4 = -9(-1) + b \\ -4 = 9 + b \\ \begin{array}{r} -9 \\ -9 \\ \hline -13 = b \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = -9x - 13$$

6) through: $(0, -5)$ and $(-3, -4)$

$$\begin{aligned} -3 < \begin{matrix} 0, -5 \\ -3, -4 \end{matrix} > +1 & \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{-1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{3}x - 5$$

7) through: $(3, -5)$ and $(4, 3)$

$$\begin{aligned} +1 < \begin{matrix} 3, -5 \\ 4, 3 \end{matrix} > +8 & \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{8}{1} = 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 8x + b \\ 3 &= 8(4) + b \\ 3 &= 32 + b \\ \begin{array}{r} -32 \\ -32 \\ \hline -29 = b \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = 8x - 29$$

8) through: $(2, -4)$ and $(-5, 3)$

$$\begin{aligned} -7 < \begin{matrix} 2, -4 \\ -5, 3 \end{matrix} > -7 & \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{-7}{-7} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= -1x + b \\ -4 &= -1(2) + b \\ -4 &= -2 + b \\ \begin{array}{r} +2 \\ +2 \\ \hline -2 = b \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = -x - 2$$