

Equation of straight line

Gradient and Straight Line Graph

1. Equation of straight line is $y = mx + c$, where m = gradient, c = intercept on y -axis.
2. If $y = mx$ or $y = -mx$. It means that line passes through origin.
3. Two lines are parallel if they have same gradients.
4. Two lines are perpendicular if product of their gradients = -1
i.e. $m_1 \cdot m_2 = -1$.
5. $x = a$ is a vertical line through "a" on the x -axis.
6. $y = a$ is a horizontal line through "a" on the y -axis.

Exercise

Find the gradient and y -intercept from the following straight lines. Draw the graphs as well

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| 1) $x - y = 0$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 2) $y = 2 + 3x$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 3) $3x + 4y = 12$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 4) $y = 6 - 2x$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 5) $5x + 3y = 15$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 6) $y = 2x - 3$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 7) $5x - 3y = 7$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 8) $y = 3x$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 9) $3x = 2y - 7$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |
| 10) $x + 2y - 5 = 0$ | gradient (m) = _____ | y -intercept(c) = _____ |