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## Reteaching

## Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

Nonvertical lines are parallel if they have the same slope and different  $y$ -intercepts. The graphs of  $y = 2x - 6$  and  $y = 2x + 3$  are parallel because they have the same slope, 2, but different  $y$ -intercepts,  $-6$  and  $3$ .

**Problem**

What is an equation in slope-intercept form of the line that passes through  $(8, 7)$  and is parallel to the graph of  $y = \frac{3}{4}x + 2$ ?

The slope of  $y = \frac{3}{4}x + 2$  is  $\frac{3}{4}$ . Because the desired equation is for a line parallel to a line with slope  $\frac{3}{4}$ , the slope of the parallel line must also be  $\frac{3}{4}$ . Use the slope and the given point in the point-slope form of a linear equation and then solve for  $y$  to write the equation in slope-intercept form.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1) \quad \text{Start with the point-slope form.}$$

$$y - 7 = \frac{3}{4}(x - 8) \quad \text{Substitute } (8, 7) \text{ for } (x_1, y_1) \text{ and } \frac{3}{4} \text{ for } m.$$

$$y - 7 = \frac{3}{4}x - 6 \quad \text{Distributive Property}$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x + 1 \quad \text{Add 7 to each side.}$$

The graph of  $y = \frac{3}{4}x + 1$  passes through  $(8, 7)$  and is parallel to the graph of  $y = \frac{3}{4}x + 2$ .

**Exercises**

1. **Writing** Are the graphs of  $y = \frac{2}{5}x + 3$  and  $y = \frac{3}{5}x - 4$  parallel? Explain how you know.

**No, because the slopes  $\frac{2}{5}$  and  $\frac{3}{5}$  are not equal.**

Write an equation in slope-intercept form of the line that passes through the given point and is parallel to the graph of the given equation.

2.  $(3, 1); y = 2x + 4$

$$y = 2x - 5$$

3.  $(1, 3); y = 7x + 5$

$$y = 7x - 4$$

4.  $(1, 6); y = 9x - 5$

$$y = 9x - 3$$

5.  $(0, 0); y = -\frac{1}{2}y - 4$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x$$

6.  $(-5, 7); y = -\frac{2}{5}x - 3$

$$y = -\frac{2}{5}x + 5$$

7.  $(6, 6); y = \frac{1}{3}x - 1$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}x + 4$$

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**Reteaching** (continued)

## Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

Two lines that are neither horizontal nor vertical are perpendicular if the product of their slopes is  $-1$ . The graphs of  $y = -\frac{4}{5}x - 5$  and  $y = \frac{5}{4}x + 4$  are perpendicular because  $-\frac{4}{5}\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) = -1$ .

**Problem**

What is an equation in slope-intercept form of the line that passes through  $(2, 11)$  and is perpendicular to the graph of  $y = \frac{1}{4}x - 5$ ?

The slope of  $y = \frac{1}{4}x - 5$  is  $\frac{1}{4}$ . Since  $\frac{1}{4}(-4) = -1$ , the slope of the line perpendicular to the given line is  $-4$ .

Use this slope and the given point to write an equation in point-slope form. Then solve for  $y$  to write the equation in slope-intercept form.

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) && \text{Start with the point-slope form.} \\ y - 11 &= -4(x - 2) && \text{Substitute } (2, 11) \text{ for } (x_1, y_1) \text{ and } -4 \text{ for } m. \\ y - 11 &= -4x + 8 && \text{Distributive Property} \\ y &= -4x + 19 && \text{Add 11 to each side.} \end{aligned}$$

The graph of  $y = -4x + 19$  passes through  $(2, 11)$  and is perpendicular to the graph of  $y = \frac{1}{4}x - 5$ .

**Exercises**

- 8. Writing** Are the graphs of  $y = \frac{2}{3}x + 6$  and  $y = -\frac{3}{2}x - 4$  parallel, perpendicular, or neither? Explain how you know.

**perpendicular; the slopes  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $-\frac{2}{3}$  have a product of  $-1$**

Write an equation in slope-intercept form of the line that passes through the given point and is perpendicular to the graph of the given equation.

9.  $(5, -3); y = 5x + 3$

**$y = -\frac{1}{5}x - 2$**

10.  $(4, 8); y = -2x - 4$

**$y = \frac{1}{2}x + 6$**

11.  $(-2, -5); y = x + 3$

**$y = -x - 7$**

12.  $(6, 0); y = \frac{3}{2}x - 6$

**$y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 4$**

13.  $(5, 3); y = 5x + 2$

**$y = -\frac{1}{5}x + 4$**

14.  $(7, 1); y = -\frac{7}{2}x + 6$

**$y = \frac{2}{7}x - 1$**