

Calculate and graph using x- and y-intercepts

x-intercept: The point where a line crosses the x-axis

Ex. 1)  $y = 2x - 2$

1. set  $y = 0$
2. rewrite the equation;

$$0 = 2x - 2$$

3. solve for  $x$

$$0 = 2x - 2$$

$$0 + 2 = 2x - 2 + 2$$

$$2 = 2x$$

$$2/2 = 2x/2$$

$$1 = x$$

The x-intercept = 1

ordered pair  $(1, 0)$

y-intercept: The point where a line crosses the y-axis

Ex. 2)  $y = 2x - 2$

1. set  $x = 0$
2. rewrite the equation;  $y = 2(0) - 2$
3. solve for  $y$

$$y = 2(0) - 2$$

$$y = 0 - 2$$

$$y = -2$$

The y-intercept = -2

ordered pair  $(0, -2)$

Try These

Find the x- and y- intercept

$$1) x + y = 7$$

$$2) x - 3y = 9$$

$$3) 2x + 3y = -6$$

$$1) x + y = 7$$

x-int., let  $y=0$

$$x + 0 = 7$$

$$x = 7$$

$$(7, 0)$$

y-int.,  $x=0$

$$0 + y = 7$$

$$y = 7$$

$$(0, 7)$$

$$2) x - 3y = 9$$

x-int., let  $y=0$

$$x - 3(0) = 9$$

$$x - 0 = 9$$

$$x = 9$$

$$(9, 0)$$

y-int., let  $x=0$

$$0 - 3y = 9$$

$$-3y = 9$$

$$y = -3$$

$$(0, -3)$$

$$3) 2x + 3y = -6$$

x-int., let  $y=0$

$$2x + 3(0) = -6$$

$$2x + 0 = -6$$

$$2x = -6$$

$$x = -3$$

$$(-3, 0)$$

y-int., let  $x=0$

$$0 + 3y = -6$$

$$3y = -6$$

$$y = -2$$

$$(0, -2)$$

$$4) -4x - 2y = -8$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{x-int., let } y=0 \\ -4x - 2y = -8 \\ -4x - 2(0) = -8 \\ -4x - 0 = -8 \\ -4x = -8 \\ x = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(2, 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{y-int., let } x=0 \\ -4x - 2y = -8 \\ -4(0) - 2y = -8 \\ 0 - 2y = -8 \\ -2y = -8 \\ y = 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$(0, 4)$$

$$5) 5x - 4y = -12$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{x-int., let } y=0 \\ 5x - 4y = -12 \\ 5x - 4(0) = -12 \\ 5x - 0 = -12 \\ 5x = -12 \\ x = \frac{-12}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(-\frac{12}{5}, 0\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{y-int., let } x=0 \\ 5x - 4y = -12 \\ 5(0) - 4y = -12 \\ 0 - 4y = -12 \\ -4y = -12 \\ y = 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$(0, 3)$$

$$6) -2x + 7y = 11$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{x-int., let } y=0 \\ -2x + 7y = 11 \\ -2x + 7(0) = 11 \\ -2x + 0 = 11 \\ -2x = 11 \\ x = -\frac{11}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(-\frac{11}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{y-int., let } x=0 \\ -2x + 7y = 11 \\ -2(0) + 7y = 11 \\ 0 + 7y = 11 \\ 7y = 11 \\ y = \frac{11}{7} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(0, \frac{11}{7}\right)$$

## Graphing x- and y- intercepts

1. Find the intercepts
2. Plot
3. Connect

Ex. 3)

$$2x - y = 2$$

x-intercept

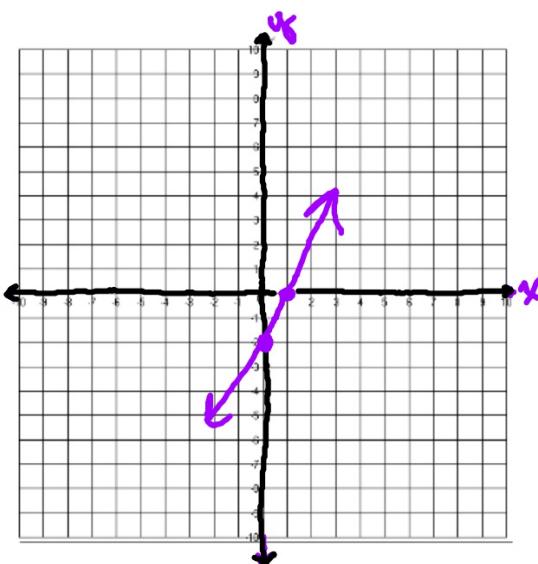
$$\text{let } y=0$$

$$2x - 0 = 2$$

$$2x = 2$$

$$x = 1$$

$$(1, 0)$$



$$2x - y = 2$$

y- intercept

$$\text{let } x=0$$

$$2(0) - y = 2$$

$$0 - y = 2$$

$$-y = 2$$

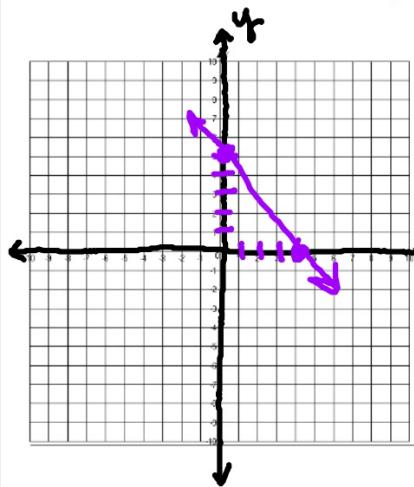
$$y = -2$$

$$(0, -2)$$

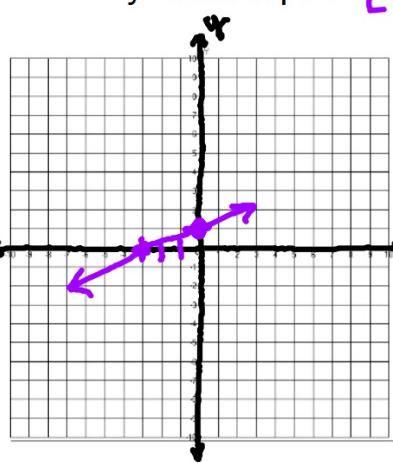
Graph given x and y-intercepts

## Try These Graphing

- 1) x- intercept 4  $(4, 0)$   
y- intercept 5  $(0, 5)$



- 2) x- intercept -3  $(-3, 0)$   
y- intercept 1  $(0, 1)$



- 3) x- intercept -6  $(-6, 0)$   
y- intercept -8  $(0, -8)$

