

Lesson 5 Slope-Intercept Form of a Linear Function

A linear equation is an equation where the graph would be an oblique line when drawn in the coordinate plane.

Slope-Intercept Form of the Equation of a Linear Function

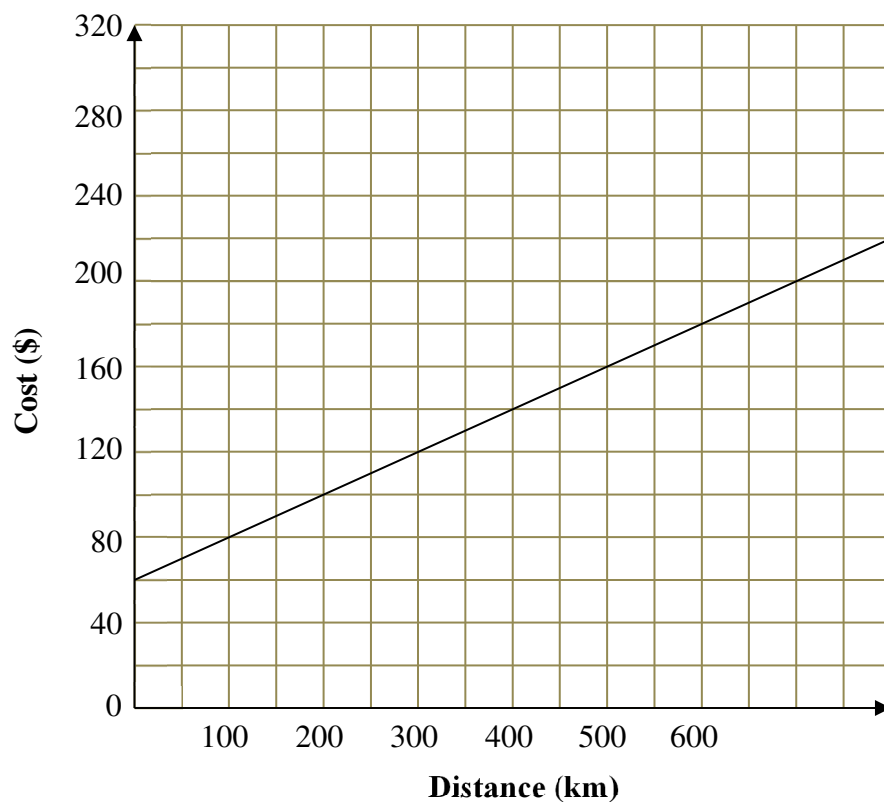
Example 1

The graph of a linear function has a slope of $\frac{3}{5}$ and y-intercept at -4 . Write an equation for this function.

Example 2

Write an equation given the following graph.

Car Rental Costs



Example 3

Student council sponsored a dance. A ticket cost \$5 and the cost for the DJ was \$300.

- a) Write an equation for the profit, P dollars, on the sale of t tickets.
- b) Suppose 123 bought tickets. What was the profit?
- c) Suppose the profit was \$350. How many people bought tickets?
- d) Could the profit be exactly \$146? Justify the answer.

Prove a point is on a given line

We can prove whether or not a given point $P(x, y)$ is on a line by substituting the x and y -coordinates into the equation and solving for the Left Hand Side (LHS) and the Right Hand Side (RHS). If both sides are *equal*, the point is on the line.

Example 4

Determine whether $P(4, 3)$ is on the line $3x - 2y - 6 = 0$