## Lesson 8 General Form of the Equation

Sometimes equations of lines are not given to us in a form that is easy to graph. For example, the general form: $\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{x}+\boldsymbol{B} \boldsymbol{y}+\boldsymbol{C}=\mathbf{0}$

## General Form of the Equation of a Linear Relation

$A x+B y+C=0$, where $A$ is a whole number, and $B$ and $C$ are integers.

Example 1 - Rewriting an Equation in General Form
Write each equation in general form.
a) $y=-\frac{2}{3} x+4$
b) $y-1=\frac{3}{5}(x+2)$

## Example 2 - Graphing a Line in General Form

Graph the line whose equation is: $3 x+2 y-18=0$

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Sometimes, we have to generate the equation from a graph of generated data.

## Example 3

Almonds cost $\$ 2$ per 100 g and raisins cost $\$ 1$ per 100 g . Liam has $\$ 10$ to purchase both items.
a) Generate some data for the relation
b) Graph the data
c) Write an equation for the relation
d) Will Liam spend exactly $\$ 10$ if he buys 300 g of almonds and 400 g of raisins? What about 400 g of almonds and 300 g of raisins?

