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Study Guide and Intervention
Graphing Linear Functions

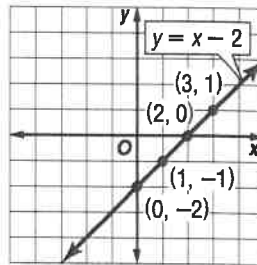
A function in which the graph of the solutions forms a line is called a **linear function**. A linear function can be represented by an equation, a table, a set of ordered pairs, or a graph.

EXAMPLE 1 Graph $y = x - 2$.

Step 1 Choose some values for x .
Use these values to make a function table.

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

Step 2 Graph each ordered pair on a coordinate plane. Draw a line that passes through the points. The line is the graph of the linear function.



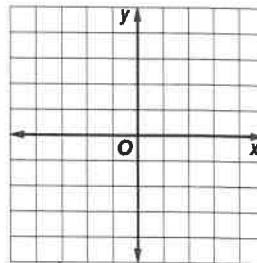
The value of x where the graph crosses the x -axis is called the **x -intercept**. The value of y where the graph crosses the y -axis is called the **y -intercept**. For the graph in Example 1, the x -intercept is 2 and the y -intercept is -2.

EXERCISES

Complete the function table. Then graph the function.

1. $y = x + 3$

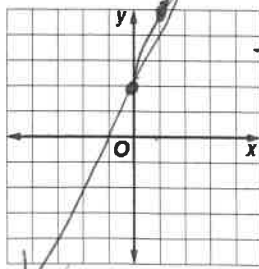
x	$x + 3$	y	(x, y)
-2	$-2 + 3$	1	(-2, 1)
0	$0 + 3$	3	(0, 3)
1	$1 + 3$	4	(1, 4)
2	$2 + 3$	5	(2, 5)



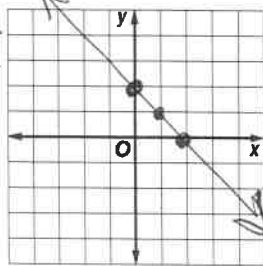
Use 0, 1, 2 for each!

Graph each function.

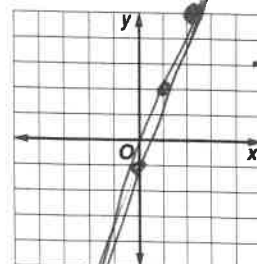
2. $y = 3x + 2$



3. $y = 2 - x$



4. $y = 3x - 1$



x	$3x + 2$	y
0	$3 \cdot 0 + 2$	2
1	$3 \cdot 1 + 2$	5
2	$3 \cdot 2 + 2$	8

- (0, 2)
- (1, 5)
- (2, 8)

x	$2 - x$	y
0	$2 - 0$	2
1	$2 - 1$	1
2	$2 - 2$	0

- (0, 2)
- (1, 1)
- (2, 0)

x	$3x - 1$	y
0	$3 \cdot 0 - 1$	-1
1	$3 \cdot 1 - 1$	2
2	$3 \cdot 2 - 1$	5

- (0, -1)
- (1, 2)
- (2, 5)

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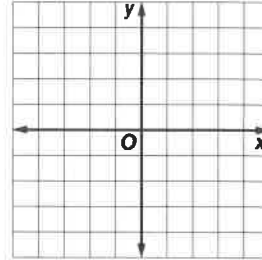
Practice: Skills

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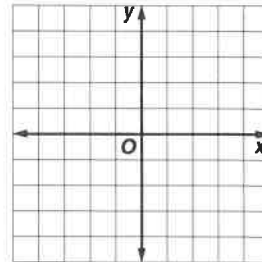
1. $y = x + 4$

x	$x + 4$	y	(x, y)
-2			
-1			
0			
1			



2. $y = 2x - 1$

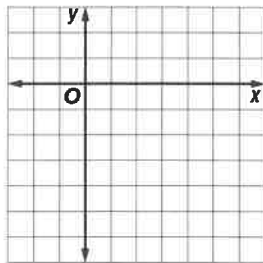
x	$2x - 1$	y	(x, y)
-1			
0			
1			
2			



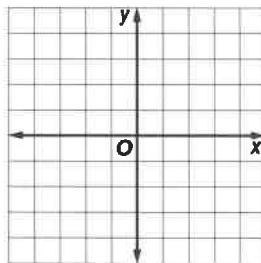
use 0, 1, 2 for all except 7 and 8

Graph each function.

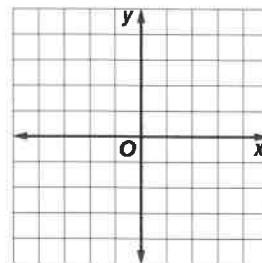
3. $y = x - 6$



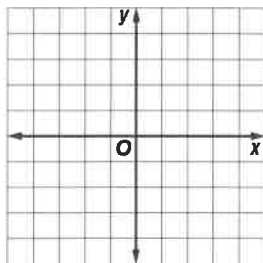
4. $y = 2x - 3$



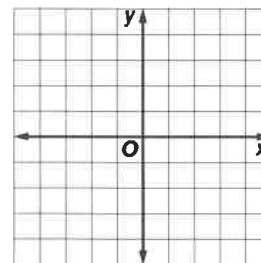
5. $y = 1 - x$



6. $y = 3x + 2$



7. $y = \frac{x}{2} + 2$ *use 0, 3, 4*



8. $y = \frac{x}{3} - 1$ *use 0, 3, 6*

