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Writing Equations in Slope-Intercept Form

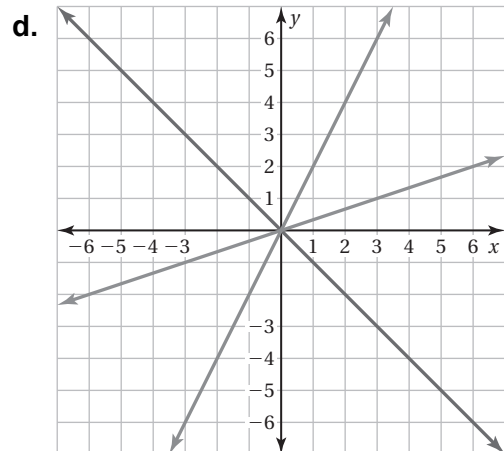
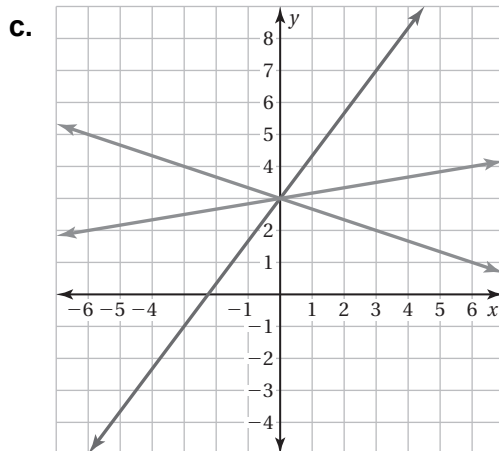
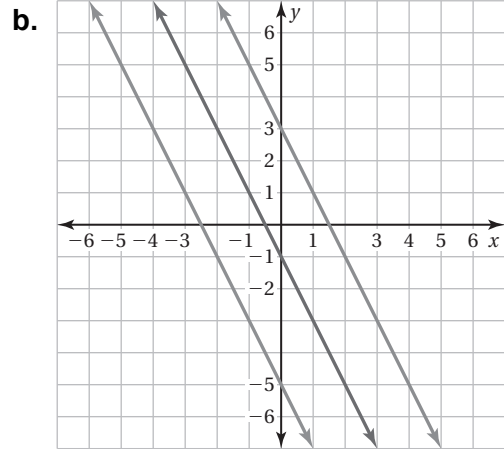
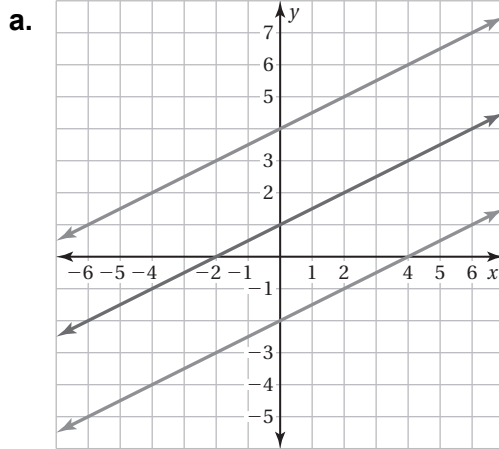
For use with Activity 4.6

Essential Question How can you write an equation of a line when you are given the slope and y -intercept of the line?

1 ACTIVITY: Writing Equations of Lines

Work with a partner.

- Find the slope of each line.
- Find the y -intercept of each line.
- Write an equation for each line.
- What do the three lines have in common?

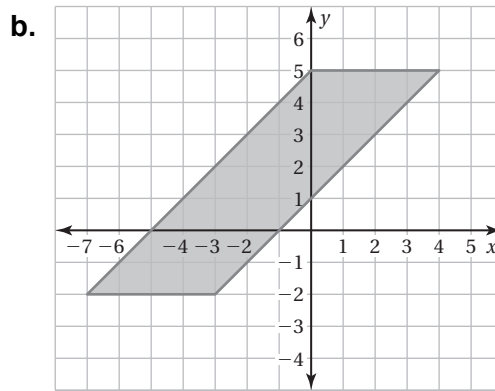
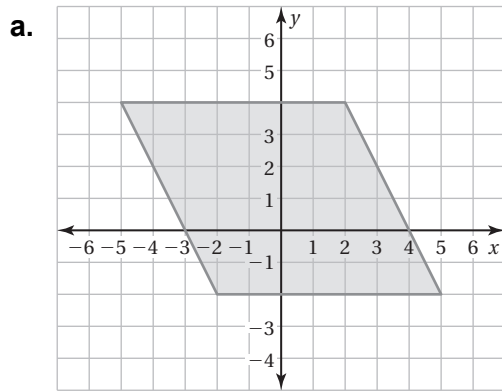


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2 ACTIVITY: Describing a Parallelogram

Work with a partner.

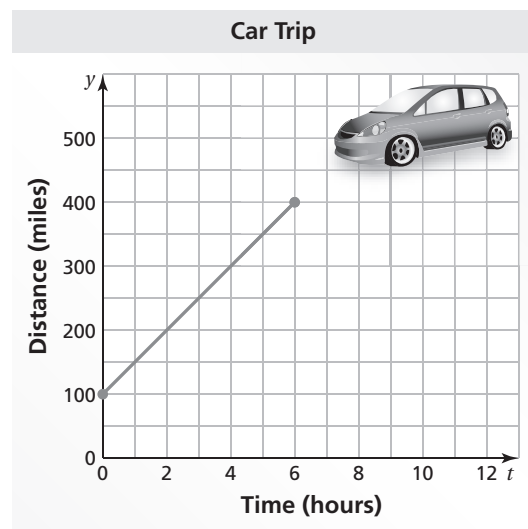
- Find the area of each parallelogram.
- Write an equation that represents each side of each parallelogram.



3 ACTIVITY: Interpreting the Slope and the y -Intercept

Work with a partner. The graph shows a trip taken by a car, where t is the time (in hours) and y is the distance (in miles) from Phoenix.

- a. Find the y -intercept of the graph. What does it represent?



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- b. Find the slope of the graph. What does it represent?

- c. How long did the trip last?

- d. How far from Phoenix was the car at the end of the trip?

- e. Write an equation that represents the graph.

What Is Your Answer?

- 4. **IN YOUR OWN WORDS** How can you write an equation of a line when you are given the slope and the y -intercept of the line? Give an example that is different from those in Activities 1, 2, and 3.

- 5. Two sides of a parallelogram are represented by the equations $y = 2x + 1$ and $y = -x + 3$. Give two equations that can represent the other two sides.