

Direct Variation



1) Which line has the greater slope? How do you know?





2) Is it more difficult to run up a ramp with a $\frac{1}{5}$ slope of or a ramp with a slope of 5? Explain.

What is it and how do I know when I see it?

x	у
1	3
2	6
3	9
4	12

A direct variation is a relationship between two sets of numbers.

You can tell this when there are equivalent ratios you can write from the second number and the first number.

The simplified ratio of the set of numbers is called the <u>constant of proportionality</u>.

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You can write the ratio of the <u>constant</u> of proportionality as

$$k=rac{y}{x}$$

What is the <u>constant of proportionality</u> for the example on the left?

Translating into words... y = kx





















5) Is this a direct variation? If yes, give the constant of variation.



6) Which of the following is a direct variation?

Α			В		С		D		
	Х	У	Х	У	x	У	_	х	У
	x 4 8	-8	8	-9	10	20		-3	6
	8	-16	4	-18	1	2		4	8
	-6	12	-3	24	12	6		-5	10
	3	-6	-8	9	20	10		6	12
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How can you tell if the graph is a direct variation?

a) _____

b) _____

C)



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Identifying Direct Variation by Its Graph

Tell whether x and y show direct variation. Explain your reasoning.



- Plot the points.
- Draw a line through the points.
- Explain.

9 -8 4 -2 -5 -8 -6-Ŕ g x -3 -2 -2 -3 -7 -8

Identify the slope =

Identify the constant of variation =

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Identifying Direct Variation

Tell whether x and y show direct variation. Explain your reasoning.

a)
$$y + 1 = 2x$$
 b) $y = x$

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- If yes, then x and y show direct variation.
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1)
$$xy = 3$$

2)
$$y + 3 = x$$

3)
$$y = \frac{1}{3}x$$

Finding the Equation of Direct Variation

The variables x and y vary directly. Use the values to find the **constant** of proportionality. Then write an equation that relates x and y.

4)
$$y = 72$$
; $x = 3$ 5) $y = 20$; $x = 12$