

Vocabulary:

• x-intercepts:

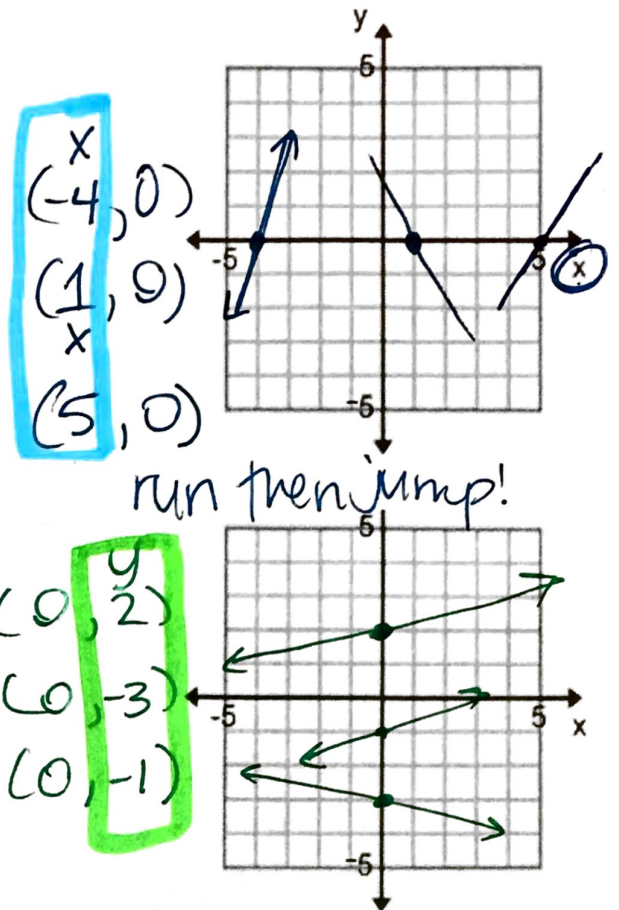
where the line crosses
the x-axis

$y = 0$
ALWAYS!

• y-intercepts:

where the line crosses
the y-axis

$x = 0$ ALWAYS!



Ex. 1: Find the x and y intercepts of each equation. Then use them to graph the equation.

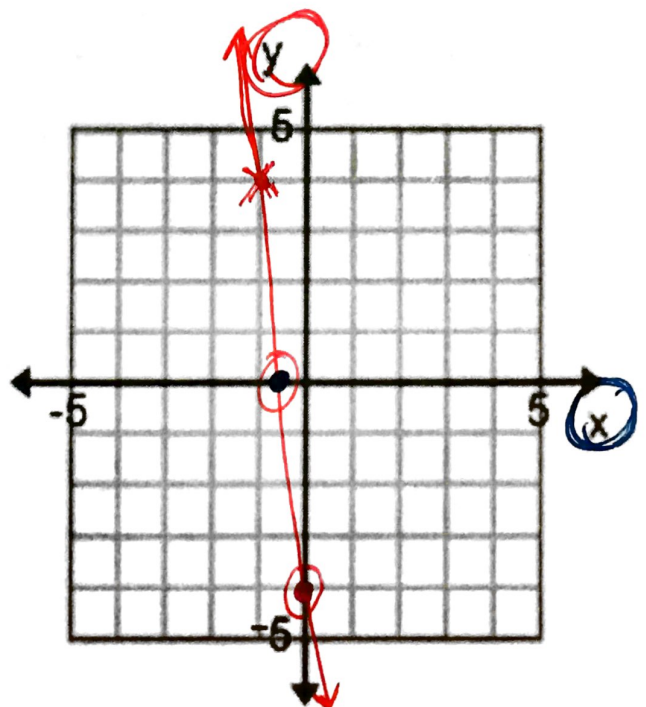
$8x + y = -4$

x-int: $(-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$

$\frac{8x}{8} = \frac{-4}{8}$
 $x = -\frac{4}{8} (-\frac{1}{2})$

y-int: $(0, -4)$

$y = -4$



Ex. 2: Find the x and y intercepts of each equation. Then use them to graph the equation.

$$-2x + 3y = 6$$

$$\text{x-int: } (-3, 0)$$

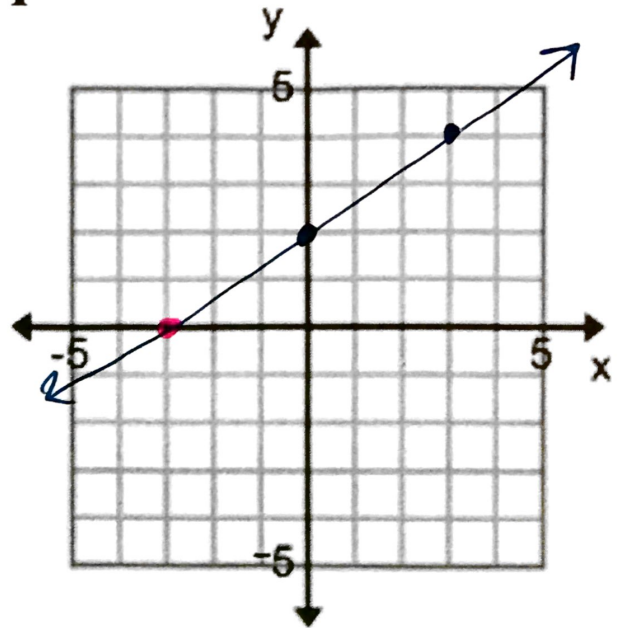
x-axis

$$\begin{aligned} -2x &= 6 \\ \frac{-2x}{-2} &= \frac{6}{-2} \\ x &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{y-int: } (0, 2)$$

y-axis

$$\begin{aligned} 3y &= 6 \\ \frac{3y}{3} &= \frac{6}{3} \\ y &= 2 \end{aligned}$$



Ex. 3: You are purchasing school supplies for the new school year. You can get notebooks for \$2 and binders for \$3, but you only have \$42 with you. This can be illustrated by the equation $2x + 3y = 42$, where $x =$ the number of notebooks and $y =$ the number of binders.

$$2x + 3y = 42$$

a. What is the x -intercept?

$$(21, 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2x &= 42 \\ \frac{2x}{2} &= \frac{42}{2} \\ x &= 21 \end{aligned}$$

b. What does the x intercept mean for this equation?

If I buy 0 binders, you can buy 21 notebooks.

c. What is the y -intercept?

$$(0, 14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3y &= 42 \\ \frac{3y}{3} &= \frac{42}{3} \\ y &= 14 \end{aligned}$$

d. What does the y intercept mean for this equation?

If I buy 0 notebooks, you can get 14 binders.

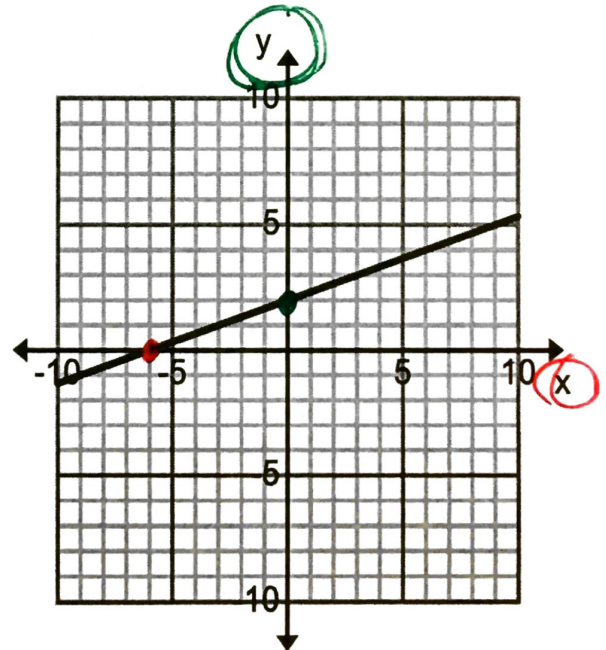
Ex. 4: Find the x and y intercepts using the table.

x	y
-10	-2
-6	0
-4	1
0	3
4	5

x -int: $(-6, 0)$
 x y

y -int: $(0, 3)$
 x y

Ex. 5: Use the graph to find the x and y intercepts if they exist.



x -int: $(-6, 0)$

y -int: $(0, 2)$