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How to spot a misleading graph — Lea Gaslowitz

VOCABULARY

1. Put words/phrases in the correct column.

stabilize rocket plummet reach a peak fluctuate

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| increase | |  | decrease drop | | grow | fall |  | | rise | |
| level Off | | climb | decline | | plunge |  |  | | recover | |
| GO UP | | | GO DOWN | | | | STAY THE SAME | |
| Rocket  Reach a peak  Increase  Grow  Rise  climb | | | Plummet  Decrease  Drop  Fall  Level off  Decline  plunge | | | | Stabilize  Fluctuate  recover | |

1. Study the table and rewrite the sentences given below.

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| NOUNS | VERBS |
| There was an increase in sales.  There was a decrease of 20%. | Sales increased by 20%. |
| There was a sharp increase. | Sales increased sharply. |

1. Last year, the sales of mobile phones went up dramatically.

Last year, there was an increase in mobile phones sales.

1. As you can see, there was a fall in the price of oil last quarter.

As you can see, the price of oil dropped last quarter

1. In 2002, we observed a rise in our production of 15%.

In 2002, our production

Rised a 15%

1. There was a slight drop in profits.

Our profits dropped slightly

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