

Topic: Equation of a line in point-slope form**Question:** Find the equation of the line.

$$m = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$(-7, 2)$$

Answer choices:

A $y + 2 = \frac{2}{3}(x - 7)$

B $y - 2 = \frac{2}{3}(x + 7)$

C $y + 2 = -\frac{2}{3}(x - 7)$

D $y - 2 = -\frac{2}{3}(x + 7)$



Solution: D

When we're given a point and the slope, we can use the point-slope form of the equation of a line, which is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

where m is the slope and (x_1, y_1) is a point on the line.

We'll first plug in the slope and the coordinates of the point we've been given, and then simplify the equation by solving for y .

$$y - 2 = -\frac{2}{3}(x - (-7))$$

$$y - 2 = -\frac{2}{3}(x + 7)$$



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Question: Find the equation, in point-slope form, of the line that passes through (2,3) and (4,11). Use (2,3) for (x_1, y_1) .

Answer choices:

A $y - 3 = 4(x - 2)$

B $y - 3 = 8(x - 2)$

C $y + 3 = 4(x + 2)$

D $y - 3 = 4(x + 2)$



Solution: A

First, find the slope of the line using the given points.

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{11 - 3}{4 - 2} = \frac{8}{2} = 4$$

Next, substitute $m = 4$ and the coordinates of the point (2,3) into the formula $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$.

$$y - 3 = 4(x - 2)$$



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Question: Find the equation, in point-slope form, of the line that passes through $(-3,0)$ and rises 2 in a run of 4.

Answer choices:

A $y = \frac{1}{2}(x - 3)$

B $y = 2(x - 3)$

C $y + 3 = \frac{1}{2}x$

D $y = \frac{1}{2}(x + 3)$



Solution: D

First, find the slope of the line using the rise and run.

$$m = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Next, use $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$. Use $(-3, 0)$ as (x_1, y_1) , and get

$$y - 0 = \frac{1}{2}(x - (-3))$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(x + 3)$$

