



# Algebra 1 Workbook Solutions

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Graphing

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MATH

## CARTESIAN COORDINATE SYSTEM

- 1. What is the coordinate point of the origin?

*Solution:*

The coordinate point of the origin is  $(0,0)$ .

- 2. Give a coordinate point that lies in Quadrant III.

*Solution:*

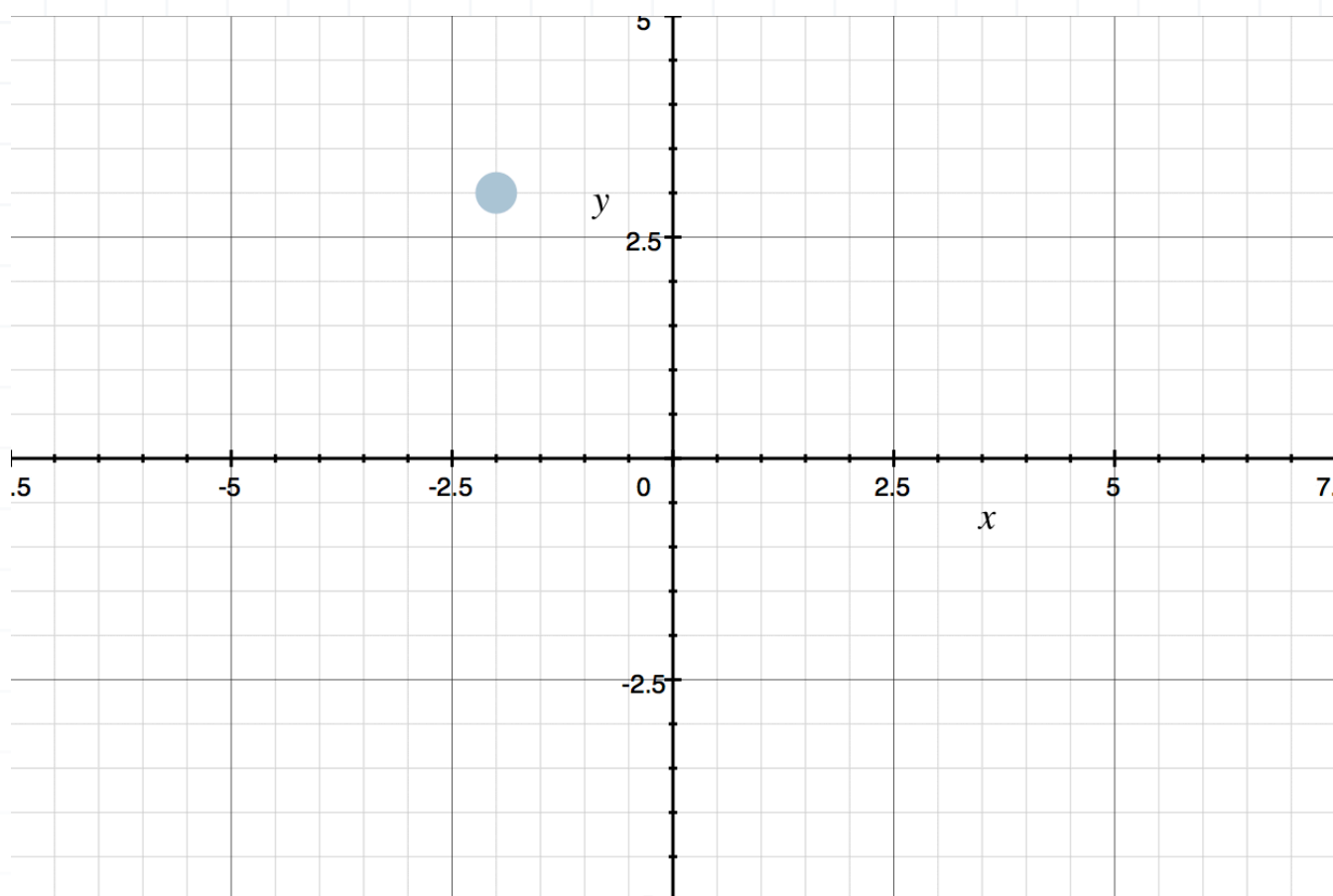
There are many possible correct solutions. For example,  $(-2, -4)$  or any point for which both the  $x$ - and  $y$ -coordinate are negative.

- 3. Graph the point  $(-2,3)$  in the Cartesian plane.

*Solution:*

The graph of the point is





- 4. In which quadrant would you plot the point (1,6)?

*Solution:*

Since both the  $x$ - and the  $y$ -coordinates are positive, this point is graphed in Quadrant I.

- 5. What is the  $y$ -coordinate of the points that lie on the  $x$ -axis? Give an example of a coordinate point that lies on the  $x$ -axis.

*Solution:*

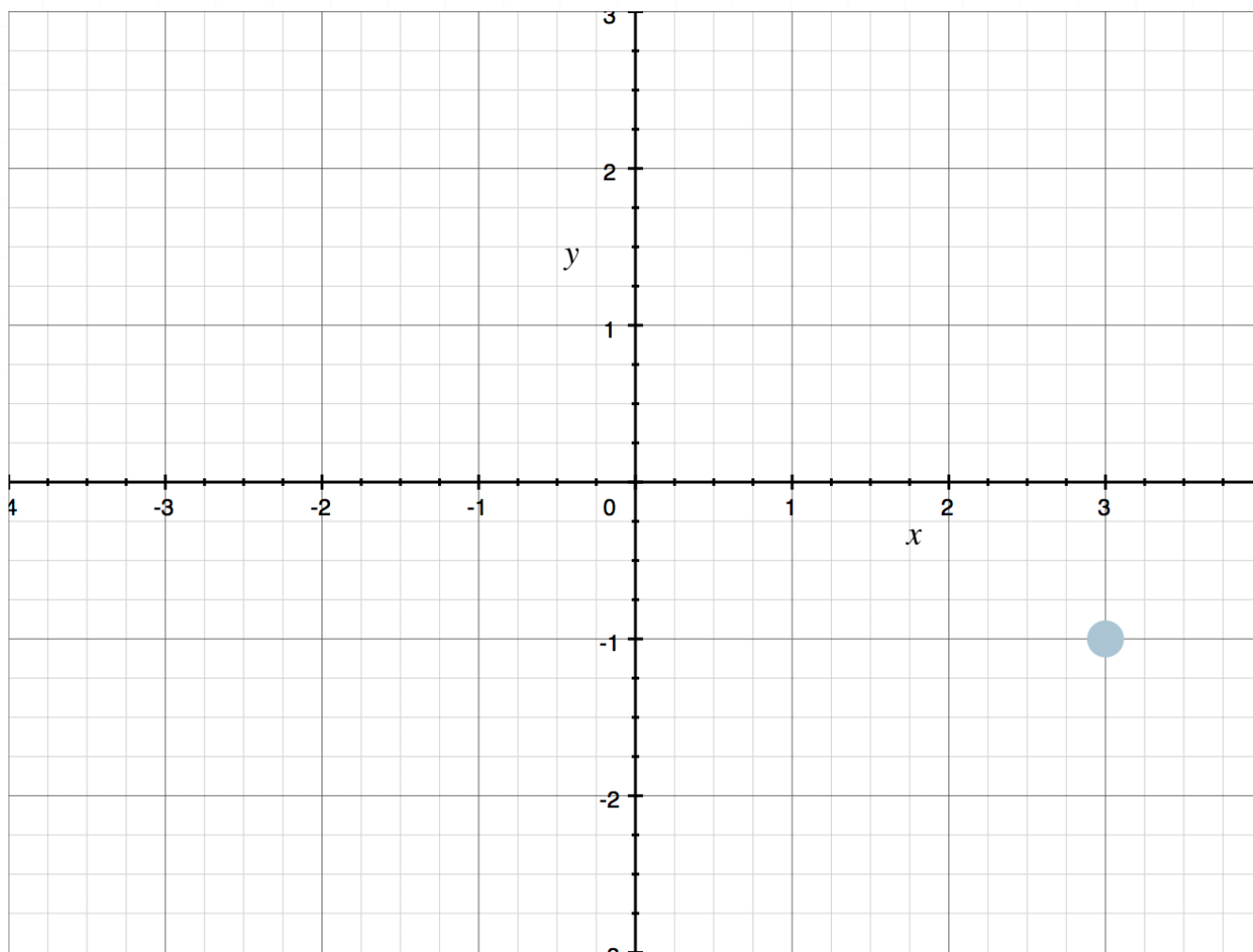


The  $y$ -coordinate of the points on the  $x$ -axis is always  $y = 0$ . For example,  $(3,0)$  is a point on the  $x$ -axis.

■ 6. Graph the point  $(3, -1)$  in the Cartesian plane.

*Solution:*

The graph of the point is



■ 7. Give a coordinate point that lies in Quadrant II.



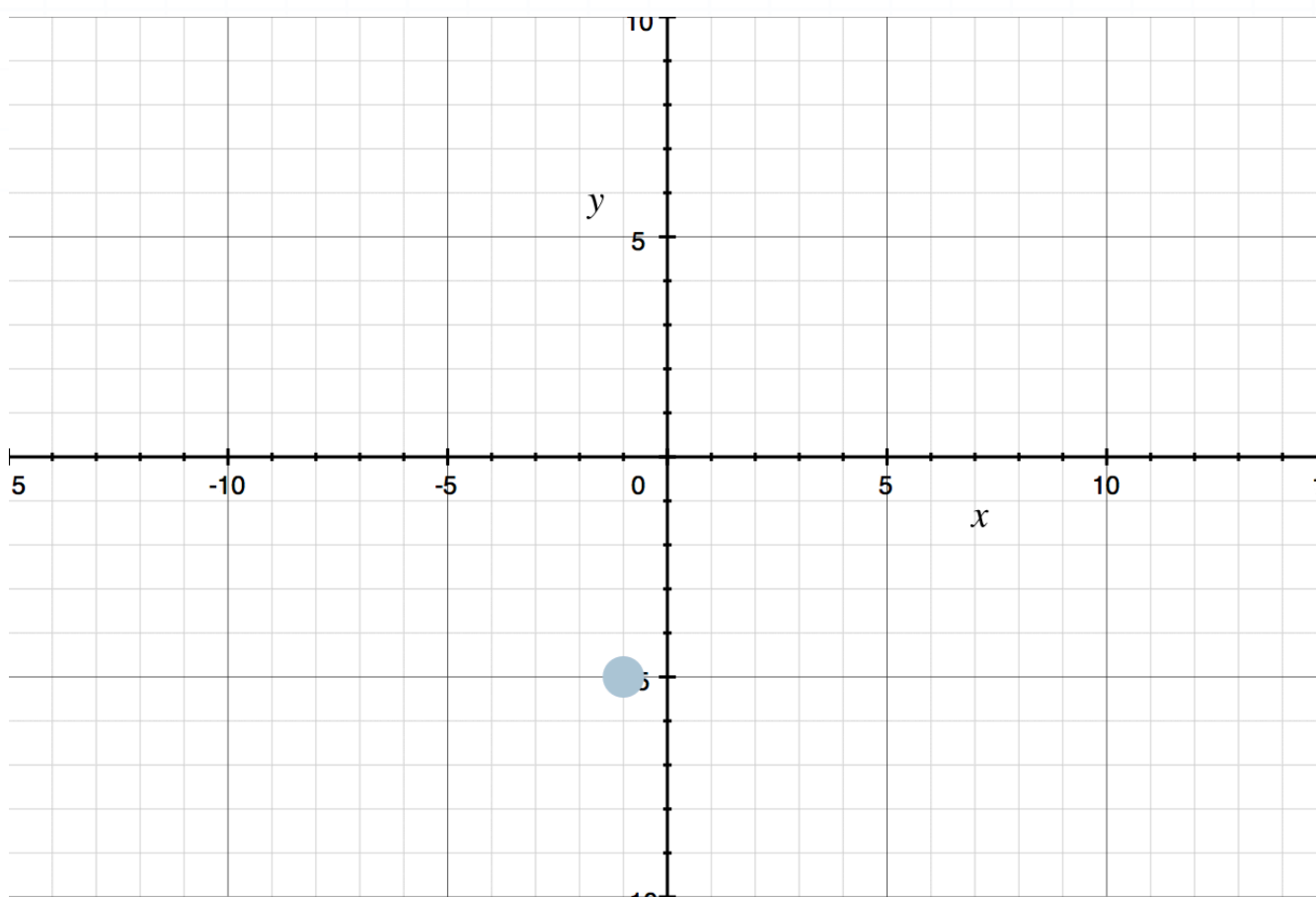
*Solution:*

There are many possible correct solutions. For example,  $(-2, 5)$ , or any point for which the  $x$ -coordinate is negative and the  $y$ -coordinate is positive.

■ 8. Graph the point  $(-1, -5)$  in the Cartesian plane.

*Solution:*

The graph of the point is



■ 9. In which quadrant would you plot  $(3, -7)$ ?



*Solution:*

Since the  $x$ -coordinate is positive and the  $y$ -coordinate is negative, this point is graphed in Quadrant IV.

■ 10. What is the  $x$ -coordinate of the points that lie on the  $y$ -axis? Give an example of a coordinate point that lies on the  $y$ -axis.

*Solution:*

The  $x$ -coordinate of the points on the  $y$ -axis is always  $x = 0$ . For example,  $(0, -7)$  is a point on the  $y$ -axis.



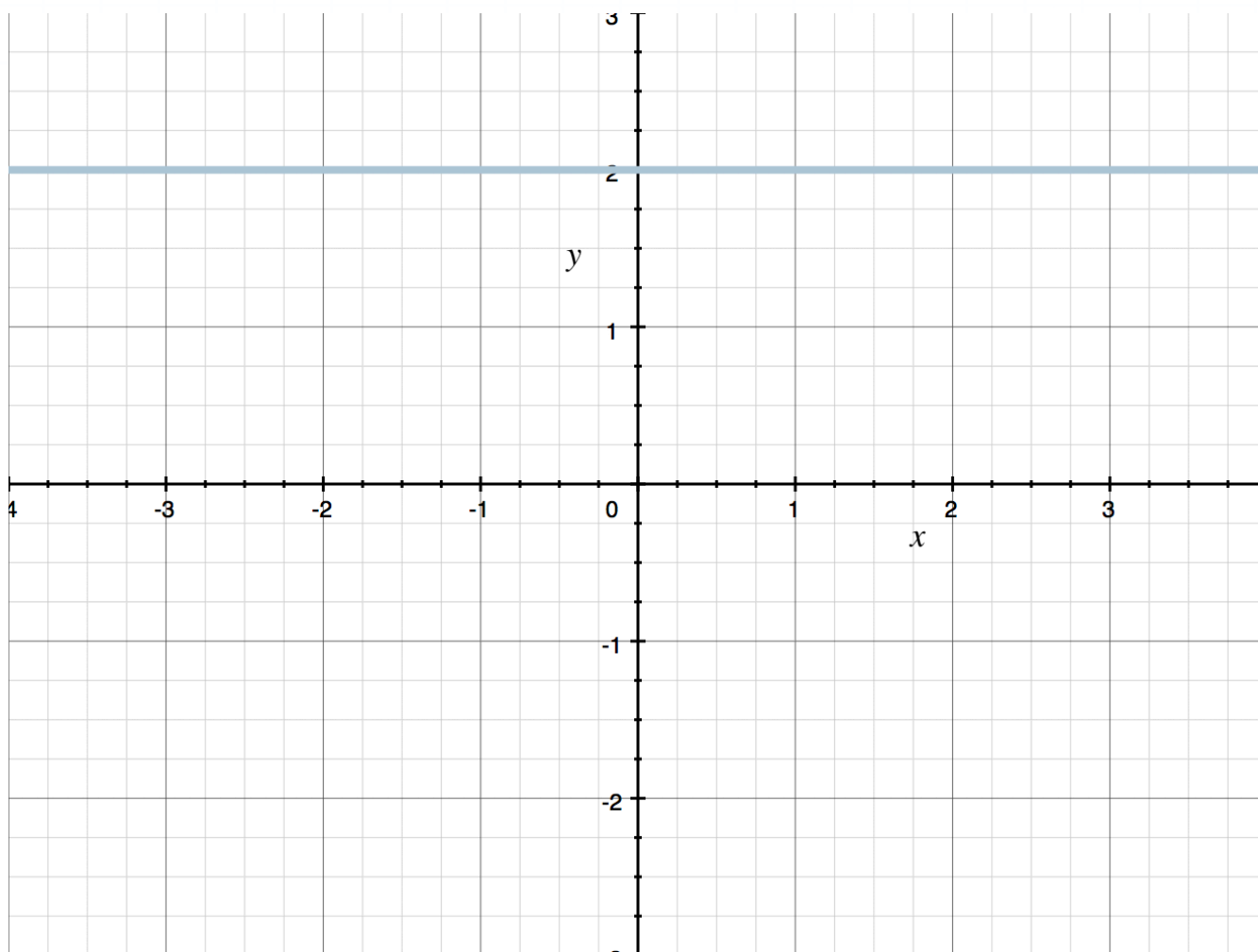
## SLOPE

- 1. In terms of vertical and horizontal movement, define the slope of a line.

*Solution:*

The slope is defined as the change in vertical movement divided by the change in the horizontal movement, i.e., “rise over run.”

- 2. What is the slope of the line?



*Solution:*

Since the line is a horizontal line, the slope is 0.

■ 3. What direction is an undefined slope: horizontal or vertical? Use the formula for the slope to explain why.

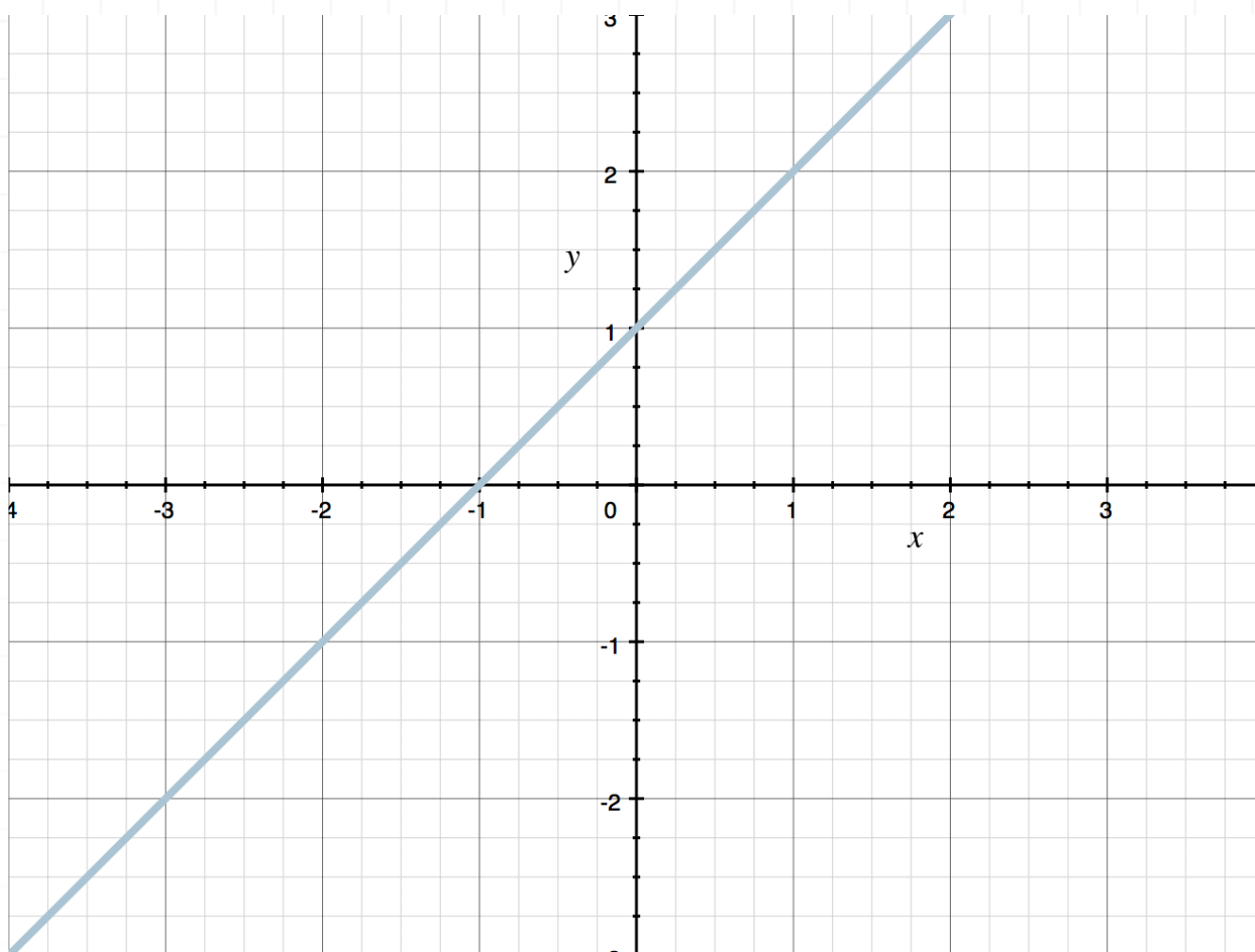
*Solution:*

The direction of an undefined slope is vertical. It is because the change in  $x$  of a vertical line is 0, so the slope has a 0 in the denominator and is therefore undefined.

■ 4. What is the slope of the line?







*Solution:*

Notice that the graph passes through the points  $(-1, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$ , which means the slope can be defined as

$$m = \frac{1 - 0}{0 - (-1)}$$

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

$$m = 1$$



■ 5. What is the slope of the line that passes through the points  $(-1, 3)$  and  $(4, -7)$ ?

*Solution:*

The graph passes through the points  $(-1, 3)$  and  $(4, -7)$ , so the slope is defined as

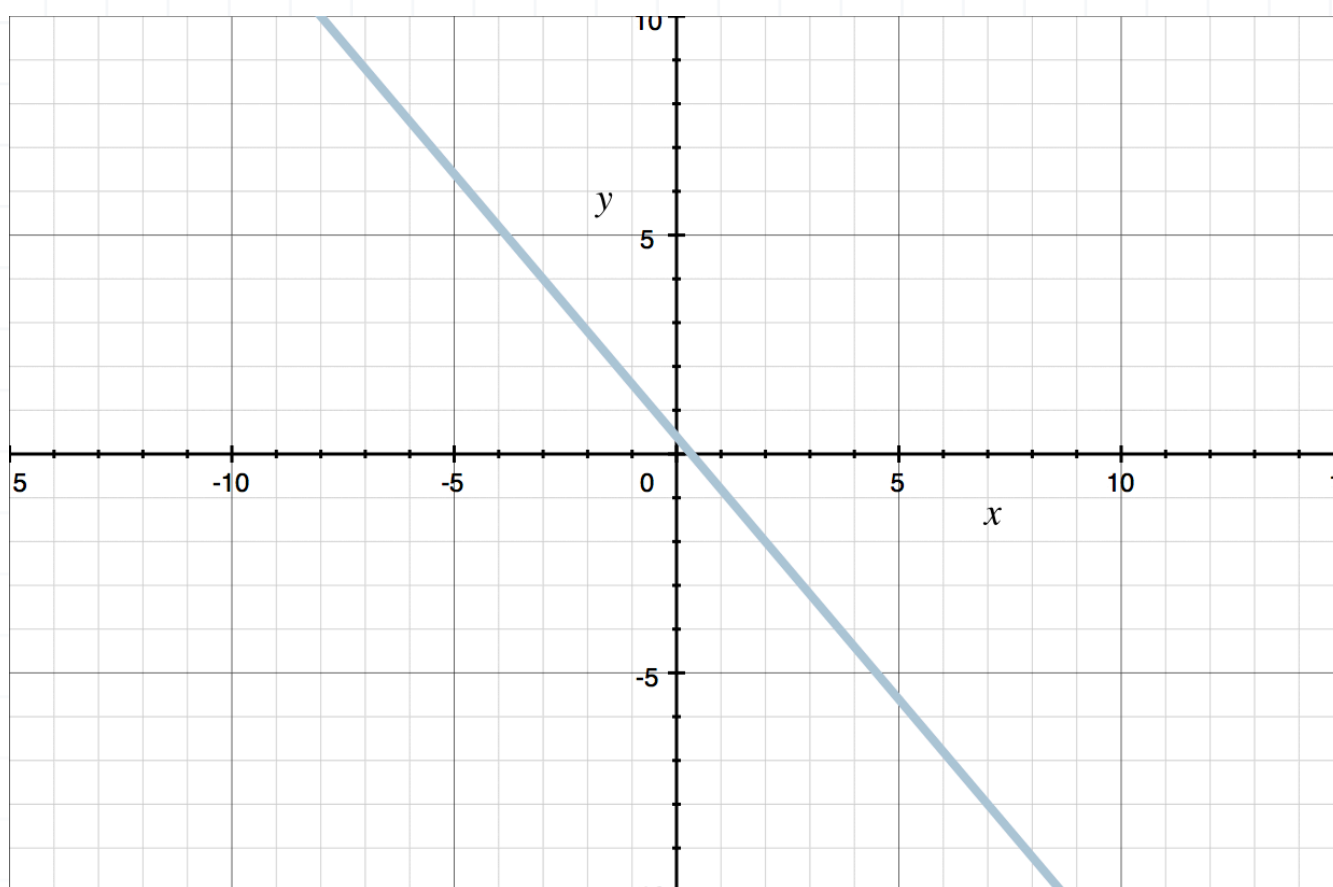
$$m = \frac{-7 - 3}{4 - (-1)}$$

$$m = \frac{-10}{5}$$

$$m = -2$$

■ 6. What is the slope of the line?





*Solution:*

Notice that the graph passes through the points  $(-3, 4)$  and  $(2, -2)$ , so the slope is

$$m = \frac{-2 - 4}{2 - (-3)}$$

$$m = \frac{-6}{5}$$

$$m = -\frac{6}{5}$$

■ 7. Find the slope of the line that passes through  $(10, 1)$  and  $(5, 2)$ .



*Solution:*

The graph passes through (10,1) and (5,2), so the slope is

$$m = \frac{2 - 1}{5 - 10}$$

$$m = \frac{1}{-5}$$

$$m = -\frac{1}{5}$$

- 8. Give two points that make a line with a slope of  $-2/3$ .

*Solution:*

There are many correct answers. For example, the points (0,0) and (3, - 2) create a line with slope  $-2/3$ .

- 9. Find the slope of the line that passes through (3,5) and (-1,5).

*Solution:*



The graph passes through the points (3,5) and (−1,5), so the slope is defined as

$$m = \frac{5 - 5}{-1 - 3}$$

$$m = \frac{0}{-4}$$

$$m = 0$$

■ 10. What is the slope of the line through the points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$ ?

*Solution:*

The graph passes through the points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$ , so the slope

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$



## EQUATION OF A LINE IN POINT-SLOPE FORM

- 1. Find the equation of the line that passes through (3,0) with slope  $-2$ .

*Solution:*

Using point-slope form, the equation of the line is

$$y - 0 = -2(x - 3)$$

$$y = -2x + 6$$

- 2. Name two (of four possible) pieces of information about a line that are required to write an equation of the line in point-slope form.

*Solution:*

Naming any two of the following is correct:

- (1) A point
- (2) Another point
- (3) The slope
- (4) The  $y$ -intercept



- 3. Find the equation of the line that passes through the points  $(-2, 3)$  and  $(2, -4)$ .

*Solution:*

We first need to calculate the slope of the line as follows

$$m = \frac{-4 - 3}{2 - (-2)}$$

$$m = \frac{-7}{4}$$

$$m = -\frac{7}{4}$$

Using point-slope form, the equation of the line is either of the following:

$$y - 3 = -\frac{7}{4}(x + 2)$$

$$y + 4 = -\frac{7}{4}(x - 2)$$

- 4. Find the equation of the line that passes through  $(-2, -5)$  with a slope 6.



*Solution:*

Using point-slope form, the equation of the line is

$$y + 5 = 6(x + 2)$$

$$y + 5 = 6x + 12$$

$$y = 6x + 7$$

■ 5. Identify the point  $(x_1, y_1)$  and slope  $m$  in the equation of the line.

$$y + 3 = \frac{1}{4} (x - 6)$$

*Solution:*

Using point-slope form, we can see that the point is  $(6, -3)$  and the slope is  $1/4$ .

■ 6. Write the following equation in point-slope form.

$$y = -\frac{1}{2} x + 4$$

*Solution:*





Subtract 4 from both sides.

$$y - 4 = -\frac{1}{2}x$$

Subtract 0 from the right side, which doesn't change the value of the equation.

$$y - 4 = -\frac{1}{2}x - 0$$

Factor out the  $-\frac{1}{2}$  to separate the slope.

$$y - 4 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 0)$$

■ 7. Find the equation of the line that passes through the points  $(5, -4)$  and  $(6, 0)$ .

*Solution:*

We first need to calculate the slope of the line as

$$m = \frac{0 - (-4)}{6 - 5}$$

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

$$m = 4$$



Using point-slope form, the equation of the line is then either of the following:

$$y + 4 = 4(x - 5)$$

$$y = 4(x - 6)$$



## EQUATION OF A LINE IN SLOPE-INTERCEPT FORM

- 1. Find the equation of a line through the point (0,5) with slope  $-2$ . Write the solution in slope-intercept form.

*Solution:*

Using slope-intercept form, the equation of the line is

$$y = -2x + 5$$

- 2. Identify the  $y$ -intercept and slope  $m$  defining the line.

$$y = -\frac{1}{4}(x + 12)$$

*Solution:*

Notice that the slope of the line given is  $-1/4$  and the  $y$ -intercept (when  $x = 0$ ) is  $(0, -3)$ .

- 3. Convert the following point-slope equation into a slope-intercept equation.



$$y - 3 = \frac{1}{3}(x - 6)$$

*Solution:*

Converting to slope-intercept form means that we need to solve for  $y$ , and simplify as much as we can.

$$y - 3 = \frac{1}{3}(x - 6)$$

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

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

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

■ 4. Find the equation of a line that passes through the points  $(1, -1)$  and  $(0, 3)$ . Write the solution in slope-intercept form.

*Solution:*

We first need to calculate the slope of the line as

$$m = \frac{3 - (-1)}{0 - 1}$$



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

$$m = -4$$

Using slope-intercept form, noting that the  $y$ -intercept is 3, the equation of the line is

$$y = -4x + 3$$

■ 5. Determine the  $y$ -intercept of a line with slope  $-3$  that passes through the point  $(1,1)$ . Write your solution as a coordinate point.

*Solution:*

In point-slope form, the equation of the line is

$$y - 1 = -3(x - 1)$$

$$y = -3x + 3 + 1$$

$$y = -3x + 4$$

From the new form of the equation of the line, we can see that the  $y$ -intercept is  $(0,4)$ .

■ 6. Name two (of four possible) pieces of information about a line that are required to write an equation of the line in point-slope form.



*Solution:*

Naming any two of the following is correct:

- (1) A point
- (2) Another point
- (3) The slope
- (4) The  $y$ -intercept

■ 7. Find the equation of a line that passes through the points  $(-3, -2)$  and  $(2, -4)$ . Write the solution in slope-intercept form.

*Solution:*

We first need to calculate the slope of the line as

$$m = \frac{-4 - (-2)}{2 - (-3)}$$

$$m = \frac{-2}{5}$$

$$m = -\frac{2}{5}$$

Using point-slope form, the equation of the line is



$$y + 2 = -\frac{2}{5}(x + 3)$$

$$y + 2 = -\frac{2}{5}x - \frac{6}{5}$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{5}x - \frac{6}{5} - \frac{10}{5}$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{5}x - \frac{16}{5}$$



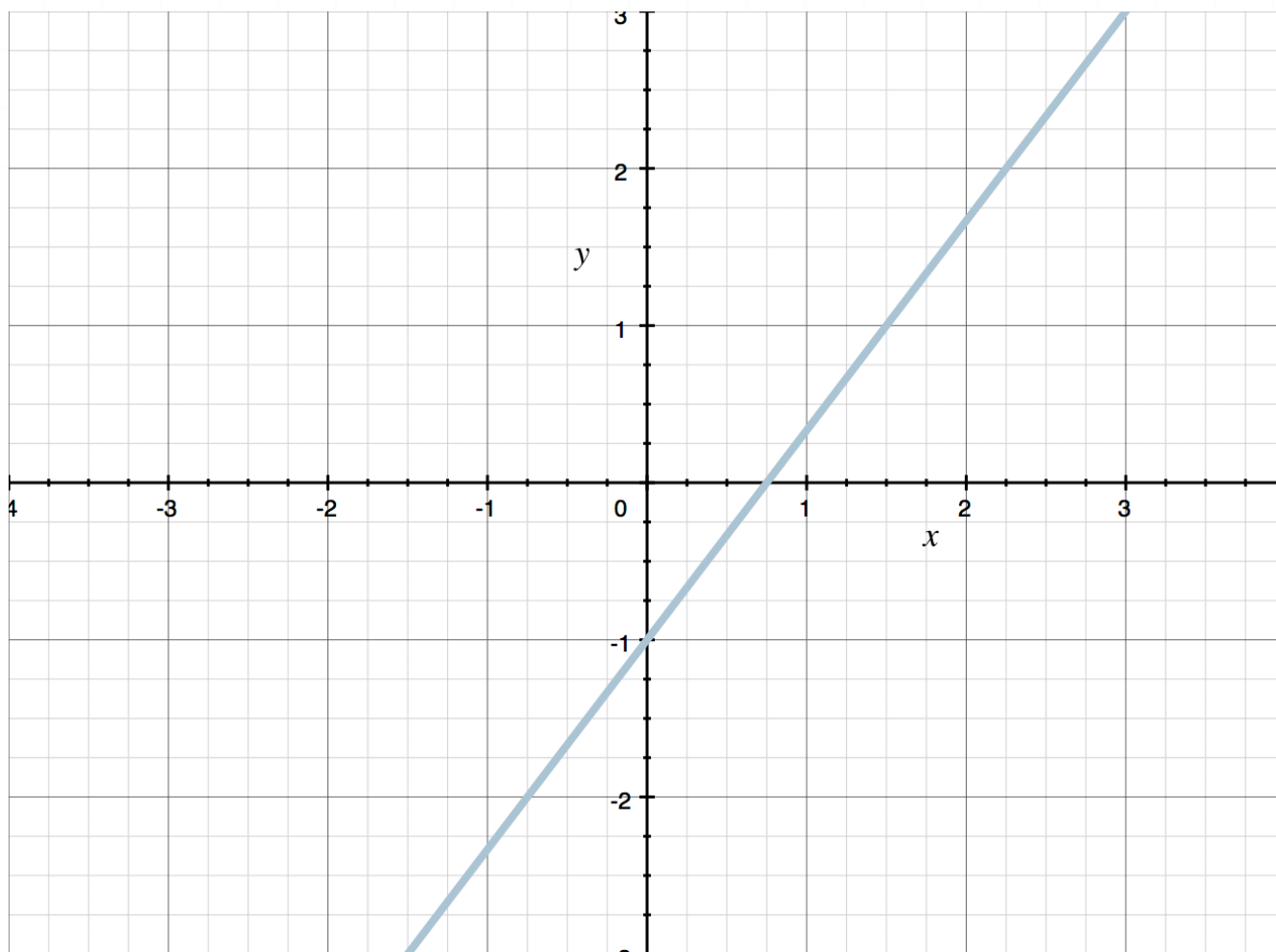
## GRAPHING LINEAR EQUATIONS

■ 1. Graph the line.

$$y = \frac{4}{3}x - 1$$

*Solution:*

The graph of the line is





■ 2. Describe how you would use the slope to find another point on the graph if the slope is  $m = 2/3$  and the line passes through  $(x_1, y_1) = (-1, 2)$ .

*Solution:*

Starting at the point  $(-1, 2)$ , move up 2 and to the right 3 to get the point  $(2, 4)$ , or move down 2 and to the left 3 to get the point  $(-4, 0)$ .

■ 3. What is the best way to write the equation of a line when graphing?

*Solution:*

The best way to write the equation of a line when graphing is slope-intercept form, because directly from the equation, you can plot the  $y$ -intercept, and then use the slope to plot another point, and then connect them.

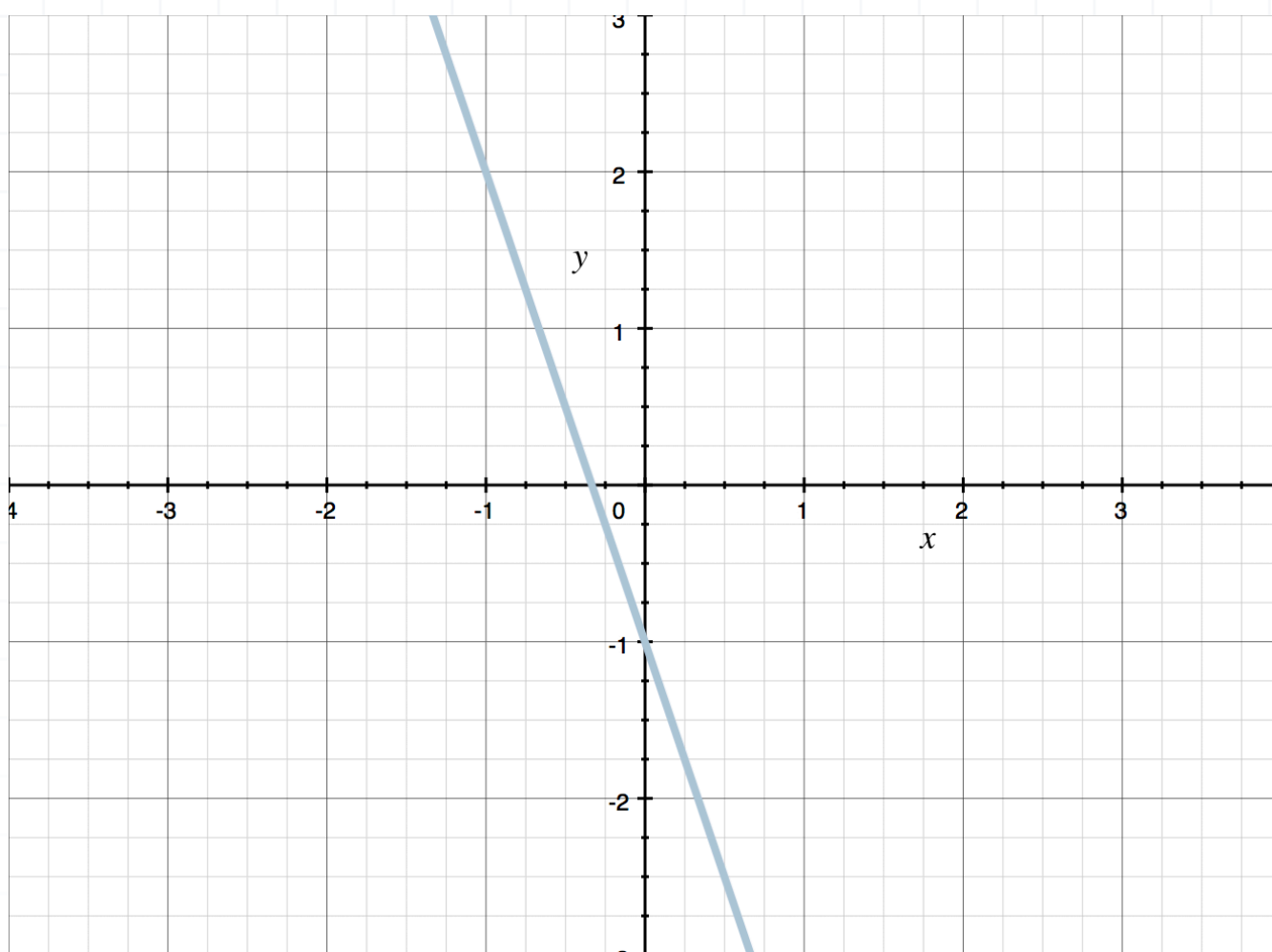
■ 4. Graph the line.

$$y + 2 = -3x + 1$$

*Solution:*



The graph of the line is



■ 5. Give two points that lie on the line.

$$y = -x - 6$$

*Solution:*

There are many possible solutions. For example, the points  $(0, -6)$  and  $(-6, 0)$  are on the line.



■ 6. Use the slope  $m = 1/3$  to find two more points on the line passing through  $(1,2)$ . Go forward to determine one point and backwards to determine another.

*Solution:*

Going forward, we get the point  $(4,3)$ . Going backwards, we get the point  $(-2,1)$ .

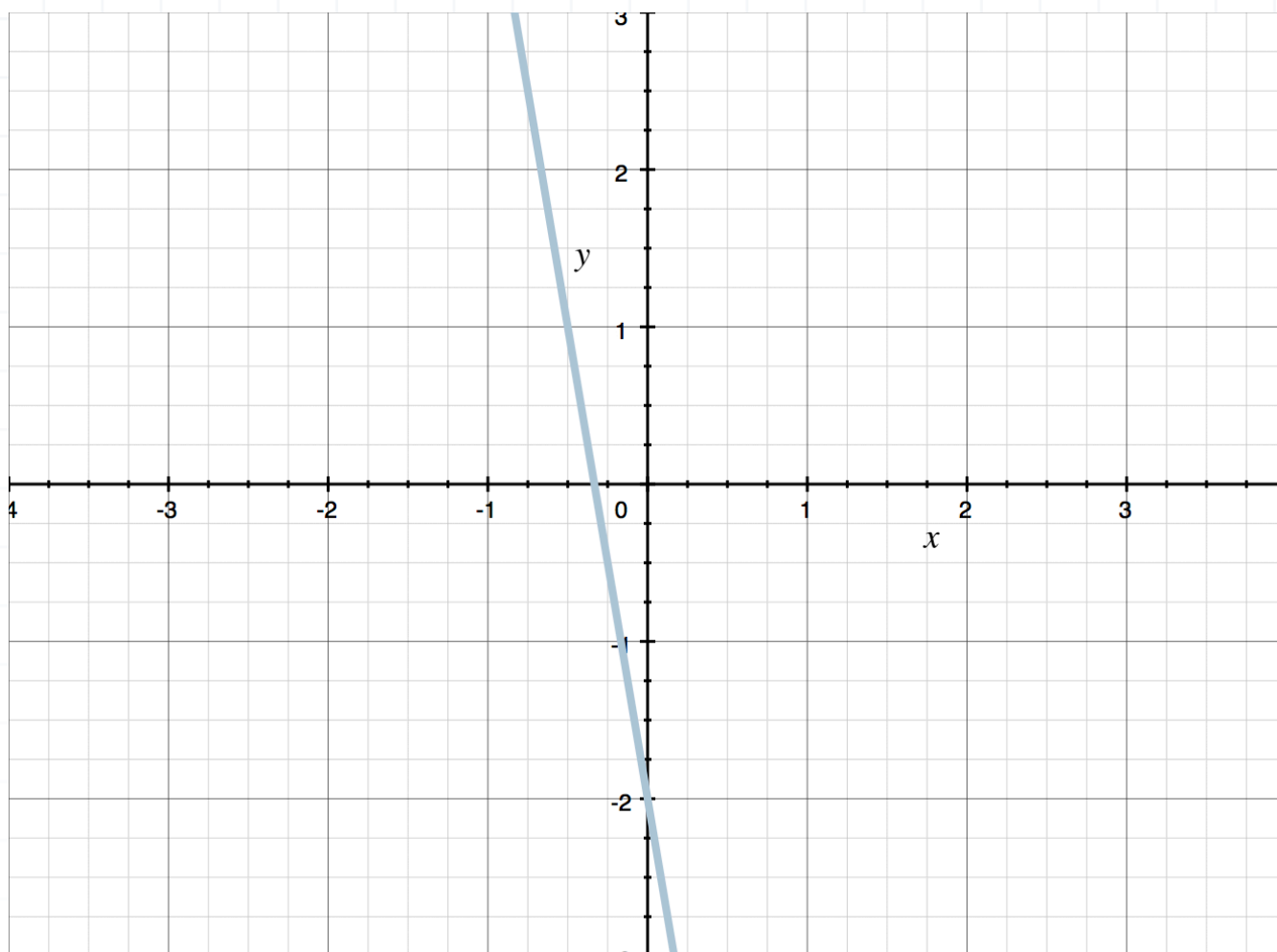
■ 7. Graph the line.

$$y = -2(3x + 1)$$

*Solution:*

The graph of the line is





- 8. Give two points that lie on the following line.

$$y + 3 = -\frac{1}{2}(4x + 10)$$

*Solution:*

There are many possible solutions. For example, the points  $(0, -8)$  and  $(-1, -6)$  are on the line.



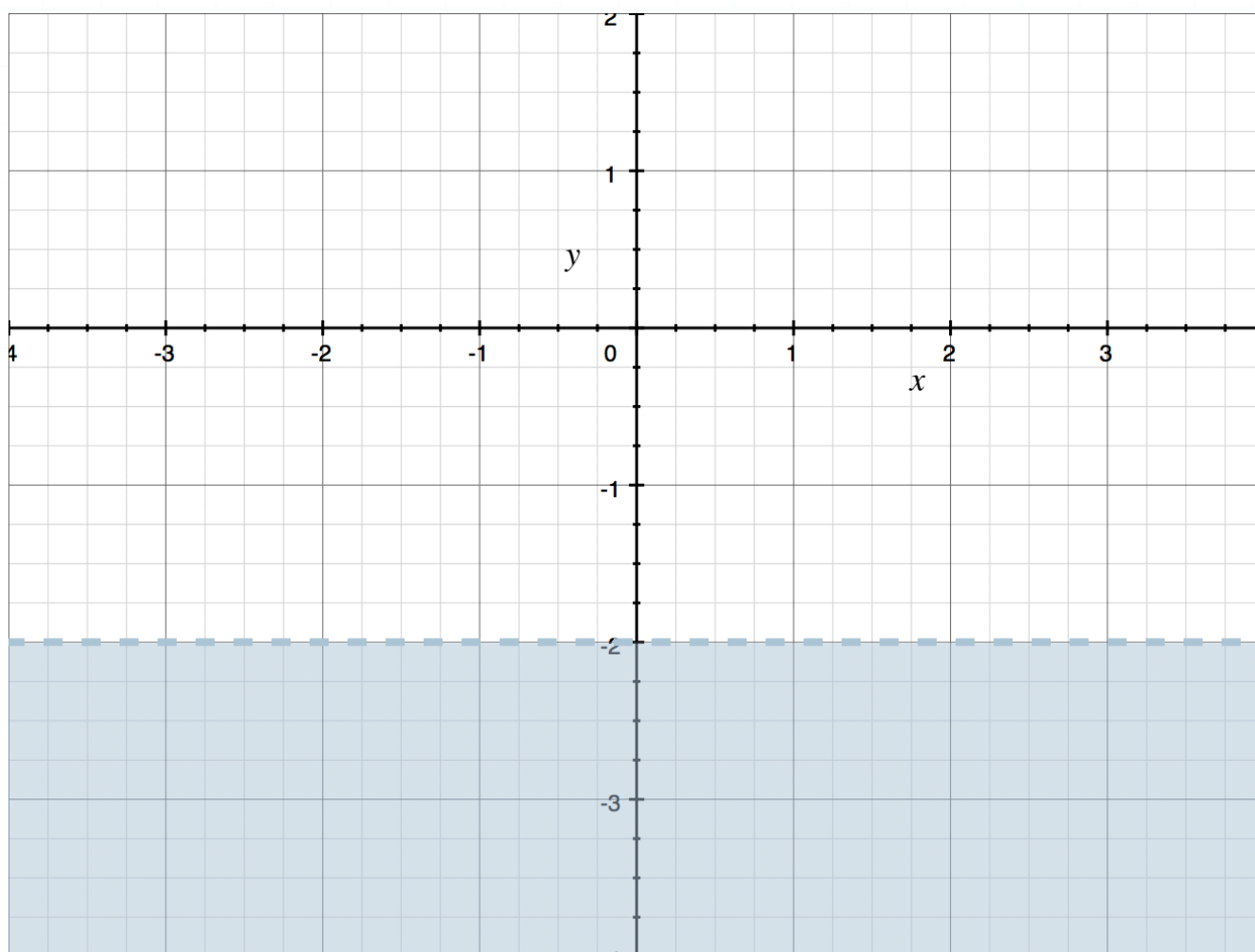
## GRAPHING LINEAR INEQUALITIES

- 1. Graph the inequality in the cartesian coordinate plane.

$$y < -2$$

*Solution:*

Start by graphing the horizontal line  $y = -2$ . Make it a dotted line since the inequality is strictly “less than.” Since the inequality is “less than,” we’ll shade below the horizontal line.

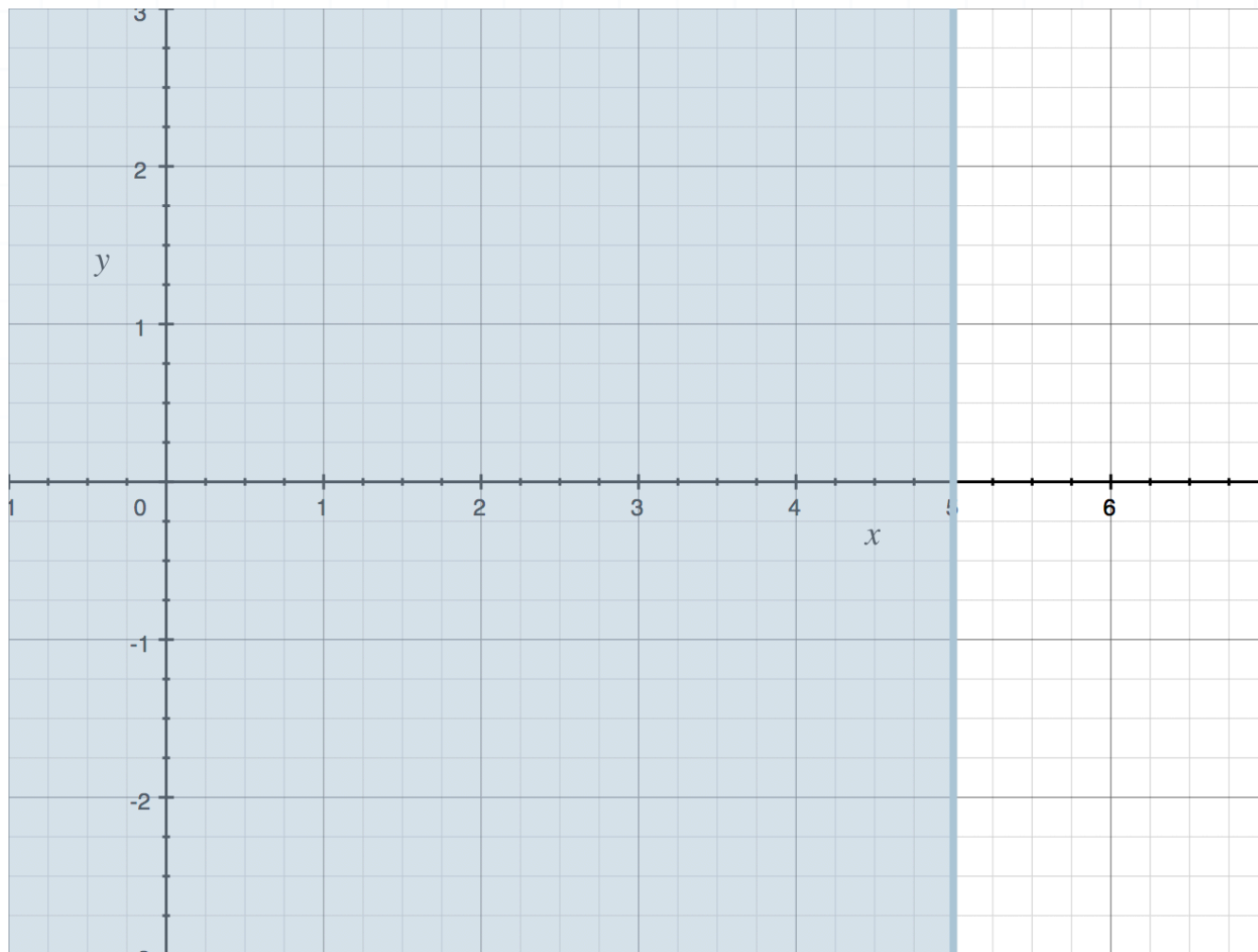


- 2. Graph the inequality in the cartesian coordinate plane.

$$x \leq 5$$

*Solution:*

Start by graphing the vertical line  $x = 5$ . Make it a solid line since the inequality is “less than or equal to.” Since the inequality is “less than,” we’ll shade to the left of the vertical line.



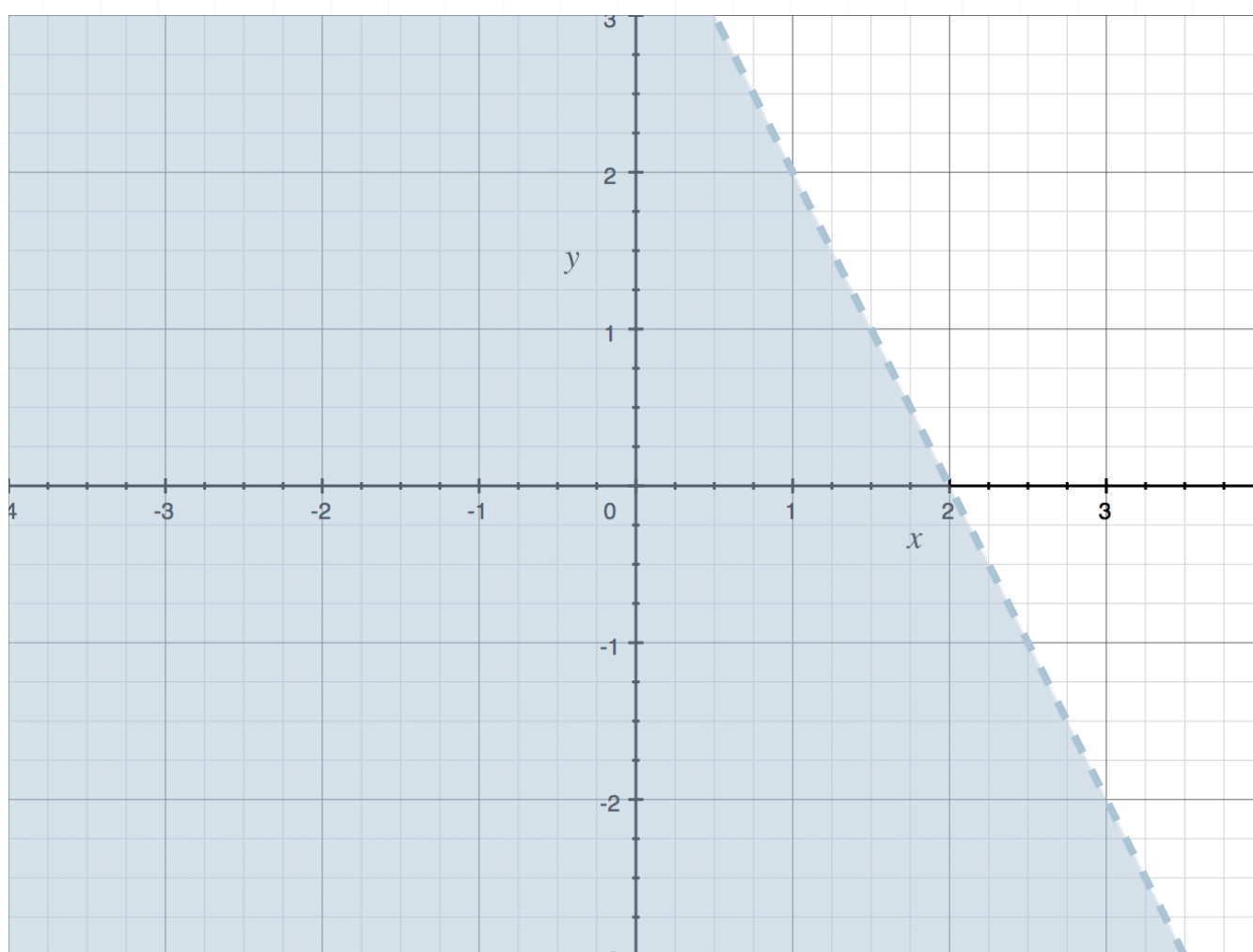
- 3. Graph the inequality in the cartesian coordinate plane.

$$y < -2x + 4$$



*Solution:*

Start by graphing the line  $y = -2x + 4$ . Make it a dotted line since the inequality is strictly “less than.” Since the inequality is “less than,” we’ll shade below the line.



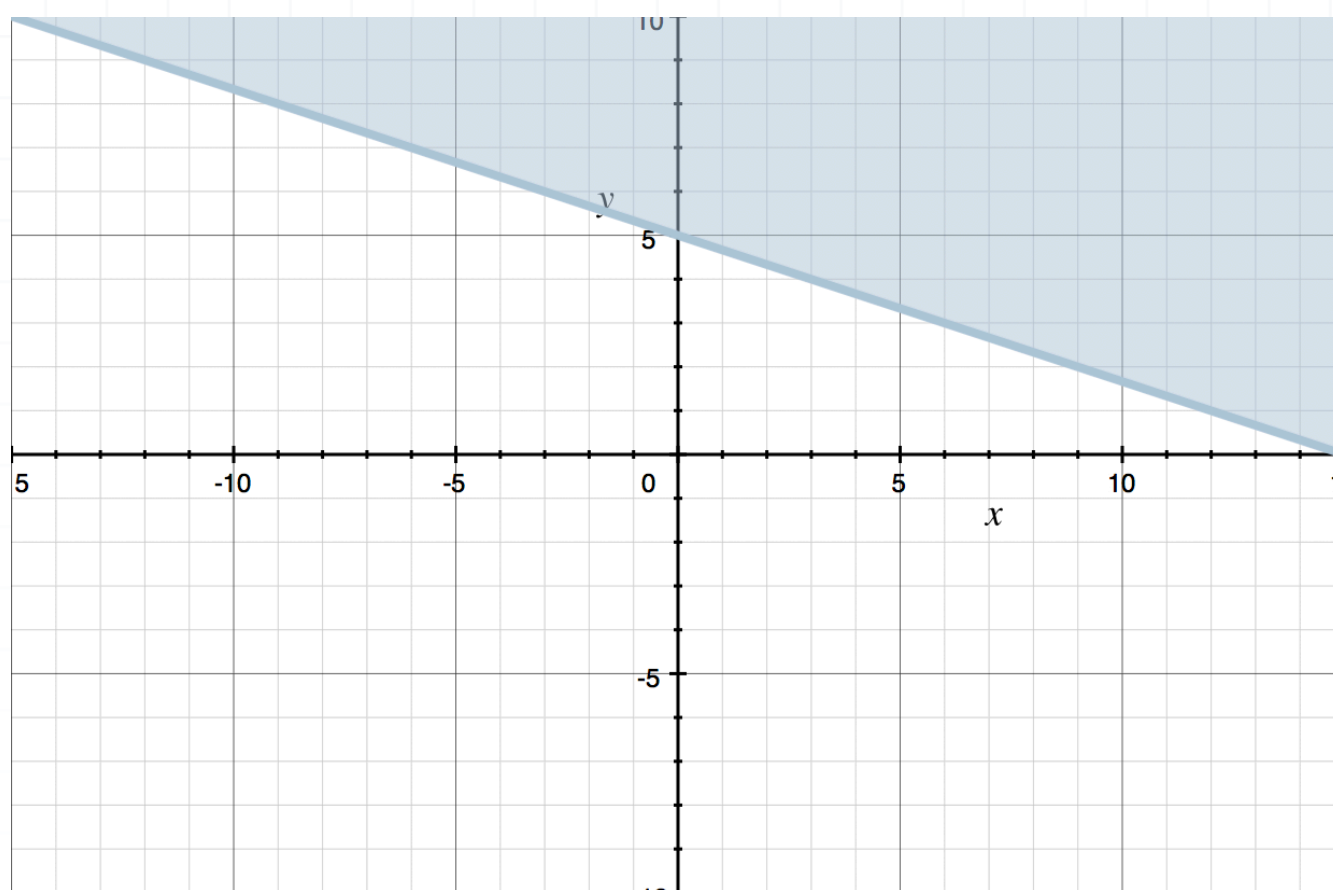
■ 4. Graph the inequality in the cartesian coordinate plane.

$$y \geq -\frac{1}{3}x + 5$$



*Solution:*

Start by graphing the line  $y = -(1/3)x + 5$ . Make it a solid line since the inequality is “greater than or equal to.” Since the inequality is “greater than,” we’ll shade above the line.



■ 5. Graph the inequality in the cartesian coordinate plane.

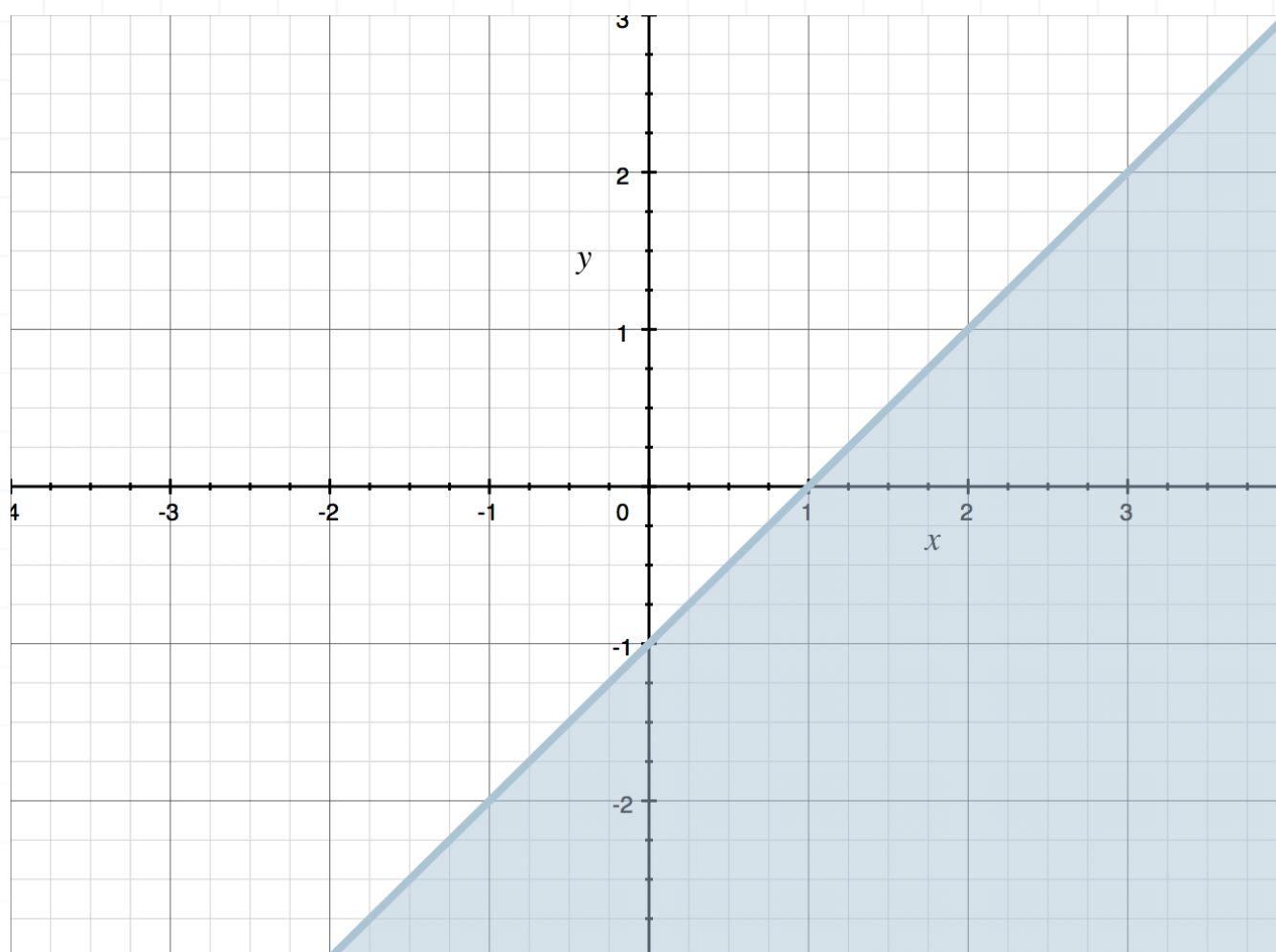
$$y \leq x - 1$$

*Solution:*

Start by graphing the line  $y = x - 1$ . Make it a solid line since the inequality is “less than or equal to.” Since the inequality is “less than,” we’ll shade below the line.







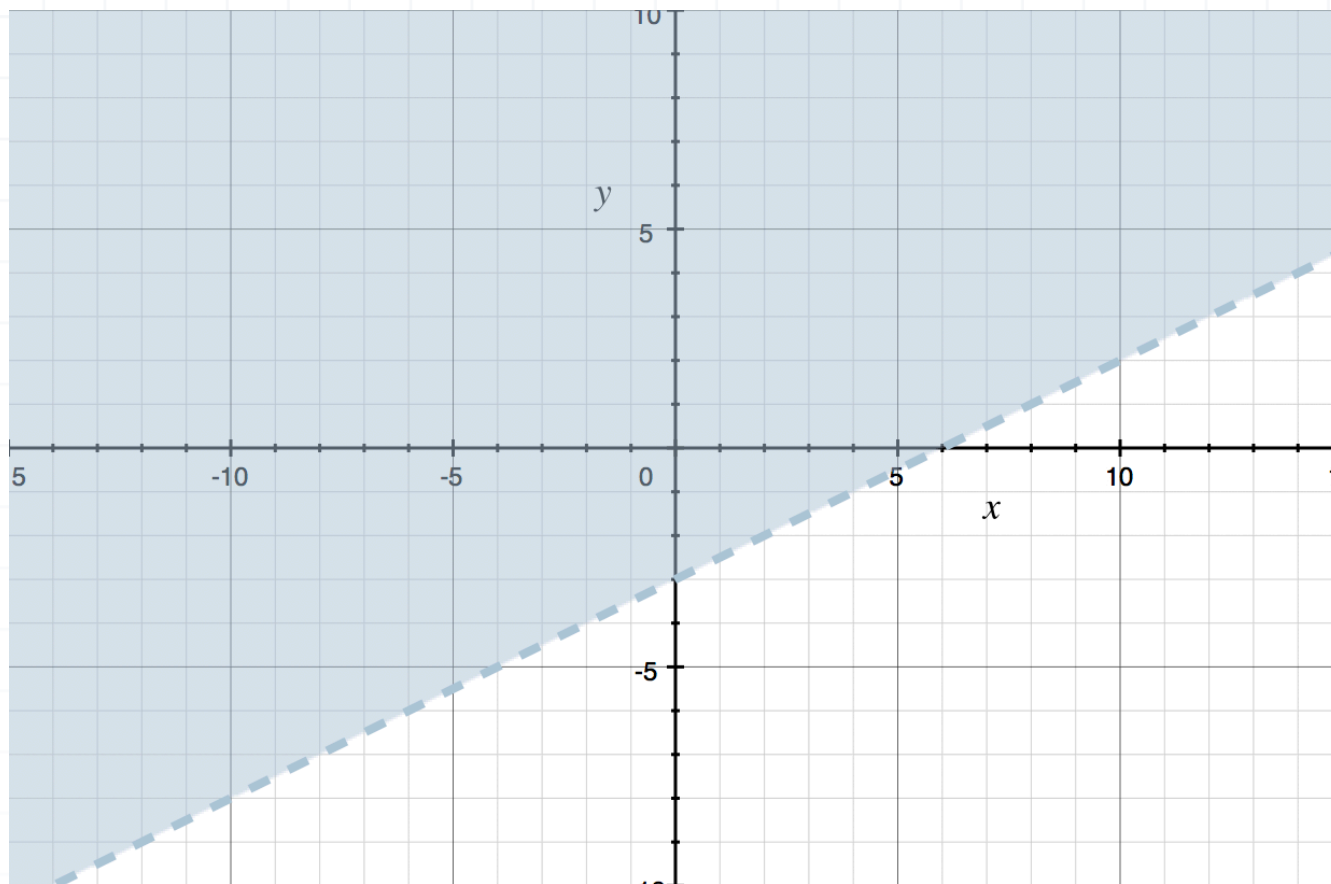
■ 6. Graph the inequality in the cartesian coordinate plane.

$$y > \frac{1}{2}x - 3$$

*Solution:*

Start by graphing the line  $y = (1/2)x - 3$ . Make it a dotted line since the inequality is strictly “greater than.” Since the inequality is “greater than,” we’ll shade above the line.





■ 7. Graph the inequality in the cartesian coordinate plane.

$$y \geq 3x - 2$$

*Solution:*

Start by graphing the line  $y = 3x - 2$ . Make it a solid line since the inequality is “greater than or equal to.” Since the inequality is “greater than,” we’ll shade above the line.



