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 a slope, we can use the point-slope formula for the equation of the 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 just plug in the slope and 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 (2,3) and m = 4 into $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$.

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

