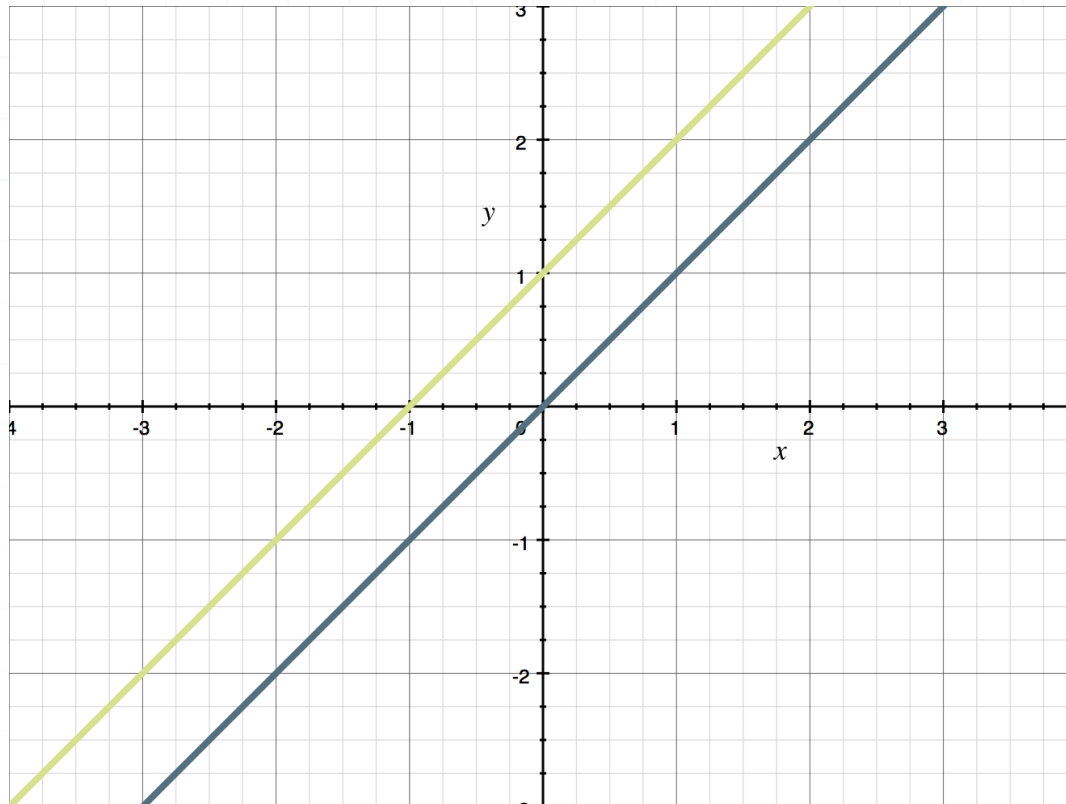


**Topic:** Parallel and perpendicular lines

**Question:** What can we say about the slopes of these lines?

**Answer choices:**

- A The slopes are negative reciprocals of each other
- B The slopes are 0
- C The slopes are equal
- D The slopes are 2



**Solution: C**

Since the lines are parallel, we know that the slopes are equal.



**Topic:** Parallel and perpendicular lines**Question:** Which line is parallel to the given line?

$$y = x + 3$$

**Answer choices:**

A  $y = 2x + 3$

B  $y = -2x + 3$

C  $y = -x + 3$

D  $y = x + 4$



**Solution: D**

For two lines to be parallel, their slopes must be equal.

Remember that the equation of a line in slope-intercept form is given by

$$y = mx + b$$

where  $m$  is the slope and  $b$  is the  $y$ -intercept.

We can rewrite the given equation ( $y = x + 3$ ) as

$$y = 1x + 3$$

and conclude that the slope of the line is 1.

The only answer choice that represents a line with a slope of 1 is answer choice D.

$$y = x + 4$$

$$y = 1x + 4$$



**Topic:** Parallel and perpendicular lines**Question:** Which line is perpendicular to the given line?

$$y = 2x + 3$$

**Answer choices:**

A  $y = 2x - 3$

B  $y = -2x + 3$

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

D  $y = 2x + 4$



**Solution: C**

For two lines to be perpendicular, their slopes must be negative reciprocals of each other.

Remember that the equation of a line in slope-intercept form is given by

$$y = mx + b$$

where  $m$  is the slope and  $b$  is the  $y$ -intercept.

From the given equation ( $y = 2x + 3$ ), we can see that the slope of the given line is 2.

The negative reciprocal of 2 is  $-1/2$ . Therefore, any line which is perpendicular to the given line has a slope of  $-1/2$ .

The only answer choice that represents a line with a slope of  $-1/2$  is answer choice C.

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

