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MATHLINKS GRADE 8 STUDENT PACKET 8 SLOPE AND SLOPE-INTERCEPT FORM OF A LINE

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congruent			
input-output rule			
linear function			
slope-intercept form of a linear equation			
slope of a line			
<i>x</i> -intercept			
<i>y</i> -intercept			

INTRODUCTION TO SLOPE

Summary (Ready)	Goals (Set)							
We will count distances and use slope definitions to find slopes of line segments on a grid and on a set of coordinate axes. We will explore the meaning of positive and negative slopes.	 Explore the meaning of slope of a line. Find the slope of a line using counting methods and the slope formula. Recognize that segments with the same slope lie on the same line or on parallel lines. 							
Warmup (Go)								
1. Write four equivalent fractions for $\frac{3}{4}$. Include	some negative numbers in the numerator and							
denominator.								
2. Write four equivalent fractions for $-\frac{5}{3}$. Include	e some negative numbers in the numerator or							
denominator.								
3. Find each distance on the number line. ←	$\begin{array}{cccc} A & B & C \\ \hline + & + & + & + & + & + & + & + & + & + &$							
From A to C : From B to C	: From C to A:							
4. Find each distance on the grid (each small s	square is one square unit):							
a. From <i>G</i> to <i>D</i> :								
b. From <i>G</i> to <i>F</i> :								
c. From <i>E</i> to <i>F</i> :								

G

F



Without counting, determine whether each slope is positive or negative. Then find the slope of each line segment by counting the vertical and horizontal change as demonstrated by your teacher.

1.	Slope of <i>KL</i> :	5. Slope of <i>PQ</i> :				
2.	Slope of <i>NL</i> :	6. Slope of <i>QR</i> :				
3.	Slope of KN:	7. Slope of <i>RP</i> :				
4.	Simplify each fraction. What do you notice?	8. Simplify each fraction. What do you notice?				
9.	Make a conjecture about slopes of line segments that lie on the same line.					



SLOPE PRACTICE 1

Without counting, determine whether each slope is positive or negative. Then find the slope of each line segment by forming a ratio of the vertical change to the horizontal change.

1.	Slope of \overline{AB} :	5.	Slope of \overline{FG} :				
2.	Slope of AC:	6.	Slope of <i>FH</i> :				
3.	Slope of <i>CB</i> :	7.	Slope of <i>IJ</i> :				
4.	Slope of <i>DE</i> :	8.	Slope of <i>KI</i> :				
9.	What do you notice about the slopes of line segments lying on the same line?						
10.	10. Which lines appear parallel? What do you notice about the slopes of parallel lines?						

DRAWING LINE SEGMENTS

1. Locate a point on this grid. From that point, count vertical and horizontal distances to create a line segment with a slope of $\frac{3}{4}$. Repeat and create line segments with other slopes:

$\frac{6}{8}, \frac{6}{-4}$. Wr	nat do	you	notice	?											
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- 2. Locate a point on this grid. From that point, count vertical and horizontal distances to create a line segment with a slope of 2. Repeat and create line segments with other slopes:
 - $\frac{-4}{-2}$, $\frac{6}{3}$. What do you notice?

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COMPUTATION PRACTICE

Evaluate each expression.

	Column I	C <mark>olumn II</mark>	Column III			
1.	(6) – (4)	(4) – (6)	-[(4) – (6)]			
2.	(-2) – (5)	(5) – (-2)	-[(5) – (-2)]			
3.	(-4) – (-1)	(-1) – (-4)	-[(-1) - (-4)]			

4. Which column has the same results as Column I? _____

- 5. Describe in words how the numbers in this column relate to those in Column I.
- 6. Generalize this relationship with symbols:

a – b =_____

Evaluate each expression.

	Column IV	Column V
7.	$\frac{(2)-(5)}{(6)-(4)}$	$\frac{(5)-(2)}{(4)-(6)}$
8.	$\frac{(-1) - (-2)}{(-4) - (-3)}$	$\frac{(-2) - (-1)}{(-3) - (-4)}$
9.	$\frac{(3)-(-8)}{(12)-(11)}$	$\frac{(-8)-(3)}{(11)-(12)}$

10. Are the results in these two columns the same or different?

11. Generalize this pattern with symbols:



SLOPE NOTES 2

Without counting or computing, determine whether each slope is positive or negative. Then identify each point as an ordered pair and find the slope of each line segment as demonstrated by your teacher.

1.	KN has a	_slope.	5. \overline{PQ} has a slope.
2.	К: (,)		6. <i>P</i> : (,)
3.	N: (,)		7. Q: (,)
4.	Slope of <i>KN</i> :		8. Slope of <i>P</i> Q:



Without counting or computing, first determine whether each line segment has a positive or negative slope and circle the appropriate sign below. Then use the slope formula to calculate the slope of each line segment.

1. Slope of \overline{FG} : + or -5. Slope of \overline{ED} : + or -2. Slope of \overline{FH} : + or -6. Slope of \overline{DE} : + or -3. Slope of \overline{IJ} : + or -7. Slope of \overline{CB} : + or -4. Slope of \overline{KI} : + or -8. Slope of \overline{AC} : + or -

CREATING LINES

- 1. Draw a line through a point A(2, 7) with a slope of $\frac{1}{3}$.
- 2. Draw a line through a point *B*(-2, 0) with a slope of $\frac{3}{4}$.
- 3. Draw a line through a point C(0, -6) with a slope of $-\frac{1}{2}$.
- 4. Draw a line through a point D(5, 5) with a slope of -4.



INPUT-OUTPUT INVESTIGATION

Summary (Ready)	Goals (Set)
We will use input-output tables to help us graph and find equations of lines.	 Evaluate expressions. Graph linear functions. Interpret the slope and <i>y</i>-intercept of a line. Find equations of lines in slope-intercept form.

Warmup (Go)

Recall the cups and counters model from previous lessons.

- The counters pictured each have a value of 1.
- The cups pictured can hold any value.
- Since a cup has an unknown value, we will call it *x*.
- 1. A variable expression for this collection of cups and counters is _____

Use any method to find the value of the collection for each given value of the cup (x).

2. If $x = 4$	3. If $x = -0.5$	4. If $x = 8\frac{3}{4}$



INTRODUCTION TO THE INPUT-OUTPUT GAME

Stacey and Megan are playing a game. Stacey has a bag with some cups (each represents the unknown) and positive counters (each represents one unit) in it.

Megan asks Stacey, "If the value of a cup is 3, what is the value of your bag?"

Stacey replies, "If the value of a cup is 3, then the value of my bag is 13."

Let V represent a cup Let + represent a counter.

1. Megan writes on her paper:

What does Megan's work mean?

Is it possible that Megan is right? Explain.

- 2. List other possible combinations of cups and counters that could be in the bag.
- 3. Why is it impossible for there to be 5 cups in the bag?
- 4. Why is it possible for there to be no cups in the bag?

Megan then asks Stacey another question about the SAME bag, "If the value of a cup is 4, what is the value of your bag?" Stacey replies, "If the value of the cup is 4, then the value of the bag is 16." Megan says, "I know the contents of your bag!"

- 5. What is in the bag? How does Megan know?
- 6. Why do you think the game is called the "Input-Output Game"?

THE INPUT-OUTPUT GAME

Record, graph, and write a rule for each round of the input-output game.

Round #											
Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Possible Combinations									

Correct equation: _____

Value of *y* if *x* = 0: _____

Slope of the line: _____

Round #											
Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Possible Combinations									

Correct equation: _____

Value of *y* if *x* = 0: _____

Slope of the line: _____

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THE INPUT-OUTPUT GAME (Continued)

Record, graph, and write a rule for each round of the input-output game.

Round #											
Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Possible Combinations									

Correct equation: _____

Value of *y* if *x* = 0: _____

Slope of the line: _____

Round #										
Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Possible Combinations								

Correct equation: _____

Value of *y* if *x* = 0: _____

Slope of the line: _____



THE Y-INTERCEPT

Refer to the graphs on the previous pages. If you have not already done so, find the value of y when x = 0 and graph those coordinates.

- 1. Where does each of these points lie on the graphs?
- 2. Why do you think the y-coordinates of these points are all called y-intercepts?

For problem 3 below, the function is given. Complete the table and draw its graph. For problem 4 below, the graph is given. Find the function rule and complete the table. State the slope and *y*-intercept for both functions.



Use the equations, tables, and graphs to explain the following.

5.	How are these functions the same?	6.	. How are these functions different?

INPUT-OUTPUT PRACTICE

Steven and Miguel were playing the input-output game with no more than 10 pieces in each bag. They recorded the following input-output tables. Determine what is in each bag, and graph the equation of the line.

Round #1

Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Possible Equations								
0	6									
1	1 9									
2	2 12									
3	15									
Correct equation:										

Round #2

Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Possible Equations								
0 1	8 10									
Correct equation:										



INPUT-OUTPUT PRACTICE (Continued)

Steven and Miguel were playing the input-output game with no more than 10 pieces in each bag. They recorded the following input-output tables. Determine what is in each bag, and graph the equation of the line.

Round #3

Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Possible Equations									
1	9										
3	27										
5	45										
Correct equation	Correct equation:										
Value of y if x =	= 0:										
Slope of the lin	e:										

Round #4

Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Possible Equations						
0	0 1							
2								
4	4 21							
Correct equation:								
Value of <i>y</i> if <i>x</i> = 0:								
Slope of the line:								



INPUT-OUTPUT CHALLENGE

Steven challenged Miguel to a different input-output game. One boy makes up a table of inputs and outputs that fit a rule, and the other finds the rule and graphs the equation. The tables they created are below. Find their rules, graph the equations, and answer the questions.

Round #1

Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	3	2	1	0	-1	-2	-3
Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	9	4	1	0	1	4	9

Correct equation:

What's different about this table, rule, and graph compared to the ones from previous games?

Round #2

Input (<i>x</i>) (value of cup)	3	2	1	0	-1	-2	-3
Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	27	8	1	0	-1	-8	-27

Correct equation:

What's different about this table, rule, and graph compared to the ones from previous games?



SLOPE-INTERCEPT FORM

Summary (Ready)	Goals (Set)
We will find equations of lines in slope- intercept form. We will extend the meaning of slope to horizontal and vertical lines. We will use properties of parallel lines and similar triangles to deepen our understanding of the meaning of slope of a line.	 Graph lines. Interpret the slope of a line. Find equations of lines.



This is called the _____

FINDING EQUATIONS OF LINES

1. Write the coordinates next to the labeled points.



2. For Line AF

Slope: _____

y-intercept: _____

Equation: _____

FINDING EQUATIONS OF LINES (Continued)

Find the slope, the *y*-intercept, and the equation in slope-intercept form for these lines from the previous page.

3. Line BC	4. Line <i>DE</i>
Slope:	Slope:
<i>y</i> -intercept:	<i>y</i> -intercept:
Equation:	Equation:
5. Line <i>IK</i>	6. Line <i>HG</i>
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<i>y</i> -intercept:	<i>y</i> -intercept:

FINDING MORE EQUATIONS

- Graph a line that fits each of these descriptions.
- Find the slope, the *y*-intercept, and the equation of each line in slope-intercept form.
- Use your equation to determine if a particular point lies on the line.
- Find the x-intercept (the point where the graph crosses the x-axis, or x-value when y = 0).



2. Graph the line that goes through (-1, 2) and has a slope of 2.

Slope: _____

y-intercept: _____

Equation: _____

Use your equation to show that the point (1, 2) does not lie on the line.



x-intercept:

FINDING MORE EQUATIONS (Continued)

- Graph a line that fits each of these descriptions.
- Find the slope, the *y*-intercept, and the equation of each line in slope-intercept form.
- Use your equation to determine if a particular point lies on the line.
- Find the *x*-intercept.



4. Graph the line that has intercepts (0, -1) and (-4, 0).

Slope:

y-intercept:_____

Equation:

Use your equation to show that the point (4,-2) lies on the line.



x-intercept:_____

HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL LINES

Line	Two points on the line	x-intercept	<i>y</i> -intercept	slope	equation
1 PO	(,)				v =
1. 7 Q	(,)				y
2. WY	(,) (,)				x =
3. <i>LM</i>	(,) (,)				
4. R S	(,) (,)				

- 5. What is the slope of a horizontal line?______. Can you write the equation of a horizontal line in slope-intercept form? _____ Explain.
- 6. What is the slope of a vertical line?______. Can you write the equation of a vertical line in slope-intercept form? _____ Explain.

DERIVING EQUATIONS OF LINES

1. Solve for *y*. $3 = \frac{y-4}{x}$

2. Find the slope of a line that goes through the points (*f*, *g*) and (*c*, *d*).

Use the graph at the right for problems 3-8.

- Line *j* goes through the origin and a point (*x*, *y*).
 Its *y*-intercept is ______
- 4. Use the two points given on line *j* to find its slope (*m*), and solve this slope equation for *y*.

$$m = \frac{y - \left[\frac{y}{x - x} \right]}{x - \left[\frac{y}{x - x} \right]}$$



The equation of a line with a *y*-intercept of zero is represented by
 y = ______.

- 6. Line *k* goes through the points (0, *b*) and (*x*, *y*). Its *y*-intercept is _____.
- 7. Use the two points given on line k to find its slope (m), and solve this slope equation for y.

$$m = \frac{y}{x- \Box}$$

8. The equation of a line whose *y*-intercept is at y = b is represented by

y = _____.

SKILL BUILDERS, VOCABULARY AND REVIEW SKILL BUILDER 1

Write all the steps used to solve the equations. Provide justifications/explanations for each step. Use pictures as needed.

1.	Equation/Steps	What did you do? (include the property used)
	x-2x-5=3(x+5)	given equation
	Check your solution using substitution:	

	Equation/Steps	What did you do?
	-2x = -6 - x + 3	
Cheo	ck your solution using substitution:	

Write YES below each table, set of ordered pairs, or graph that could represent a function. Below those that could not represent a function, write NO and explain why not.





3. (0, 2), (1, -2), (2, 2), (3, -2)

4. (1, -2), (-2, 1), (-1, -2), (2, 1)



9. Make up reasonable *x* and *y* values for the graph. Could this graph represent a function? Explain.







Without plotting the ordered pairs, match each input-output table with a graph below. Write one or two sentences to justify each choice.



4. For graphs A, B, and C above,

- a. which, if any, are nonlinear?
- b. which, if any, are decreasing? ______

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	TOILET PAPER EMPORIUM 4 rolls for \$1.60							H	OUS	<u>SE (</u> 6 r	OF olls	TC s fo	0ILE r \$2	ET 2.6	PA 4	PEF	2		
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	TOILET EMPC # of rolls (x) 4	PAPER DRIUM Cost (y)	HOUS TOILET # of rolls (x) 6	E OF PAPER Cost (y)															
	8																		
2.	 2. Which shop has the better buy? Use entries in the table to explain your reasoning. 3. Make a graph. Label and scale the grid. Explain which graph illustrates a slower rise in price. 							id. ver											
4.	Find the which sto	unit rates fo ore has the l	or one roll o better buy.	of toilet pa	aper	at ea	ach	stor	e. L	Jse	the	ese	nui	mb	ers	to e	expl	ain	
	For Toile	t Paper Em	porium, thi	s corresp	onds	s to t	he	orde	ered	pai	ir (1	I, _)					
	For Hous	se of Toilet F	Paper, this	correspo	onds	to th	e o	rder	ed p	bair	(1,			_).					
5.	Joint Identify the coordinates when x = 0 and explain what they represent in the context of the problem.																		
6.	Write equ	uations that	relate the	number c	of roll	s (x)	to	the	cost	: (y)	•								
	TOILET PA	APER EMPOF	RIUM <i>y</i> =			HO	USE	OF	TOIL	ET	PAF	PER	y =	=					



		Find the slope by counting.		Use the slope for the slope in two	mula to calculate o different ways.
2.	Line AB		$\frac{(1)-(-1)}{(5)-(-1)} =$		$\frac{(-1)-(1)}{(-1)-(5)} =$
3.	Line GH				
4.	Line KL				

Solve each equation.

5.	2.5x - 6 = -4 - 3.5x	6.	3(x-2.1) = 2(x + 1.2)	7.	$\frac{x}{8} = \frac{9}{12}$



Given each set of ordered pairs, use the slope formula to find the slope of the line that goes through them.

4. S(5, 4) and T(2, 3)

5. U(2, 10) and V(5, 1)

6. *W*(10, 16) and *X*(-2, -4) 7. *Y*(-5, -8) and *Z*(0, -12)

For 1 and 2, complete the tables and graph the equations.

1. Two points on the line	(4, -2) and (-4, 0)										
Slope										\neg	
y-intercept										\neg	
Equation of the line in the form											
y = mx + b		•									
								 	\rightarrow	\rightarrow	_
2. Two points on the line	(-2, -3) and (1, -6)										_
Slope											
v-intercept											
,											
Equation of the											
y = mx + b					1	1					

3. There are four quarts in a gallon. Make a table of values that shows gallons (*x*) and the equivalent number of quarts (*y*). Find an equation that can be used to convert gallons to quarts. Make a graph of the equation.



Does connecting the points with a line make sense? Explain.



Draw the following lines on the coordinate axes above. Then fill in the table.

two points on the line	slope	y-intercept	x-intercept	equation of the line in slope-intercept form
1. (-3, 1) (1, 5)				
2. (-3, 9)		0		
3. (-2, 4)	1			
4	$-\frac{1}{2}$	2		
5. (-3, -1) (6, -4)				

- Match each equation to one set of ordered pairs and also to one graph.
- (Circle) the equation(s) with the greatest slope.
- Box the equation(s) with the least slope.

Equation	Ordered pairs	Graph
1. $y = x$		
2. $y = 4x$		
3. $y = x + 2$		
4. $y = 4x - 2$		
5. $y = -x$		
6. $y = -x + 2$		

А.	(0, -2) (1, 2) (-1, -6)	В.	(0, 2) (1, 3) (-1, 1)
C.	(0, 0) (1, 4) (-1, -4)	D.	(0, 0) (1, 1) (-1, -1)
E.	(0, 2) (1, 1) (-1, 3)	F.	(0, 0) (1, -1) (-1, 1)













- 1. Solve for *x*: $\frac{x}{4.2} = \frac{4.2}{10}$
- 2. Fill in the table for the equation 2x + 4y = 12. Could this rule represent a function? Explain. $\begin{vmatrix} x & 2 & -2 & -4 \\ y & 3 & 5 & \end{vmatrix}$

Write a step that shows how to use mathematical properties to transform the original equation into its equivalent equation in slope-intercept form.

3.	2x + y = -3	4.	$\frac{1}{4}y = x - 3$
	y = -2x - 3		y = 4x - 12

Rewrite each equation as an equivalent equation in slope-intercept form, y = mx + b, by isolating y.

5.	x + y = -2	6.	2x + 6y = -12
7.	-3x - 6 = y	8.	2(x-y) = 4

FOCUS ON VOCABULARY

Use vocabulary in the word bank and throughout this packet to complete each sentence.

1.	To find the	, find the change in the <i>y</i> -value
	and divide by the change in <i>x</i> -value.	
2.	(3, -5) is an, wi	hich labels the point on a coordinate plane
	with x-coordinate 3 and y-coordinate -5.	
3.	The of the	linear function $y = 3x + 6$ is 6 and is located
	on the graph at the point (0, 6).	
4.	A function has an equation th	at can be written in the form $y = mx + b$.
5.	A horizontal line has a slope of	
6.	A line that goes through the second and fourth	quadrants has a
	slope.	
7.	A line that goes through the first and third quad	drants has a slope.
8.	Below is a table of values of a function. The _	form of the
	equation for this function is $y = 3x + 1$.	

input	1	2	3	4	5	6	X
output	4	7	10	13	16	19	3 <i>x</i> + 1

SELECTED RESPONSE

Show your work on a separate sheet of paper and choose the best answer.



KNOWLEDGE CHECK

Show your work on a separate paper, and write your answers on this page.

8.1 Introduction to Slope

- 1. Find the slope of the line that passes through (2, 3) and (-2, 4).
- 2. Draw a line through the point (4, -2) with a slope of $\frac{-5}{2}$.

8.2 Input-Output Investigation

3. Zarmina and Okwe were playing the input-output game with no more than 10 pieces in the bag. Find the slope and equation of a line that represents the contents in the bag.

Input (<i>x</i>) (value of stick)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)
0	8
1	10
2	12

Slope:	
y-intercept:	
Equation: y =	

8.3 Slope Intercept Form

Find the equation of each line in slope-intercept form.

- 4. A line through the point (-1, -1) with a slope of 3.
- 5. A line with an *x*-intercept of -2 and a *y*-intercept of -4.

HOME-SCHOOL CONNECTION

Here are some questions to review with your young mathematician.

- 1. Find the slope of the line that passes through (9, 8) and (-3, 5).
- 2. Althea and Gloria were playing the input-output game with no more than 10 cups and/or counters in the bag. Find the slope and equation of a line that represents the contents in the bag.

Input (x) (value of cup)	Output (<i>y</i>) (total value)	Slope:
0	5	<i>y</i> -intercept:
2	7	Equation: $y = $
-1	4	

Use graph paper as needed for problems 3-4 to find the equation of each line in slopeintercept form.

- 3. The line through the point (0, -2) with a slope of 4.
- 4. The line through the points (-3, 3) and (-2, 1).

COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS – MATHEMATICS

STANDARDS FOR MATHEMATICAL CONTENT

- 8.F.2 Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions). For example, given a linear function represented by a table of values and a linear function represented by an algebraic expression, determine which function has the greater rate of change.
- 8.F.3 Interpret the equation y = mx + b as defining a linear function, whose graph is a straight line; give examples of functions that are not linear. For example, the function $A = s^2$ giving the area of a square as a function of its side length is not linear because its graph contains the points (1, 1), (2, 4) and (3, 9), which are not on a straight line.
- 8.F.4 Construct a function to model a linear relationship between two quantities. Determine the rate of change and the initial value of the function from a description of a relationship or from two (x, y) values, including reading these from a table or from a graph. Interpret the rate of change and initial value of a linear function in terms of the situation it models, and in terms of its graph or a table of values.
- 8.EE.6 Use similar triangles to explain why the slope m is the same between any two distinct points on a non-vertical line in the coordinate plane; derive the equation y = mx for a line through the origin and the equation y = mx + b for a line intercepting the vertical axis at b.

STANDARDS FOR MATHEMATICAL PRACTICE

- MP3 Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
- MP6 Attend to precision.
- MP7 Look for and make use of structure.
- MP8 Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.



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