## Section 3.1: GRAPHING LINEAR EQUATIONS IN TWO VARIABLES

When you are done with your homework you should be able to...
$\pi$ Plot ordered pairs in the rectangular coordinate system
$\pi$ Find coordinates of points in the rectangular coordinate system
$\pi$ Determine whether an ordered pair is a solution of an equation
$\pi$ Find solutions of an equation in two variables
$\pi$ Use point plotting to graph linear equations
$\pi$ Use graphs of linear equations to solve problems

## WARM-UP:

1. Find the volume of a box with dimensions $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ft}$ by 3 ft by 8 ft .
2. Solve the following inequalities and graph the solution sets.
a. $x \leq 6(3 x-5)$

b. $2 x-1 \leq 2 x$


## POINTS AND ORDERED PAIRS

The idea of visualizing equations as geometric figures was developed by the French philosopher and mathematician $\qquad$
$\qquad$ This idea is the $\qquad$
$\qquad$ system or the coordinate system. The rectangular coordinate system consists of $\qquad$
$\qquad$ lines that $\qquad$ at right
$\qquad$ at their $\qquad$ points. The horizontal number line is the
$\qquad$ and the vertical number line is the $\qquad$ The point of intersection is a $\qquad$ called the $\qquad$ . Positive numbers are to the $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ the origin. Negative numbers are to the $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ the origin. The $\qquad$
divide the $\qquad$ into $\qquad$ regions, called $\qquad$ . The points located on the $\qquad$ are $\qquad$ in any quadrant. Each
$\qquad$ in the rectangular coordinate system $\qquad$ to an $\qquad$
$\qquad$ of real numbers, $\qquad$ . The $\qquad$ number in each pair, called the $\qquad$ denotes the $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ from the $\qquad$ along the $\qquad$ . The second number, called the $\qquad$ denoted the $\qquad$ distance along a $\qquad$ to the $\qquad$ or along the $\qquad$ itself.


Example 1: Plot the following ordered pairs.
$(2,5),(-3,7),(-2,-4)$

| $(2,5)$ |
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| $(-3,7)$ |
| $(-2,-4)$ |



SOLUTIONS OF EQUATIONS IN TWO VARIABLES

| A $\qquad$ of an $\qquad$ in $\qquad$ variables,$\qquad$ and $\qquad$ , is an $\qquad$ of real numbers with the following property: When the $\qquad$ is substituted for $\qquad$ and the $\qquad$ is substituted for $\qquad$ in the equation, we obtain a$\qquad$ statement. |
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Example 2: Determine whether each of the given points is a solution of the equation $8 x+y=1$.
a. $(0,1)$
b. $(-1,3)$
c. $(2,-15)$

Example 3: Find three solutions of $2 y=-x-1$.

GRAPHING LINEAR EQUATIONS IN THE FORM $y=m x+b$
The $\qquad$ of the $\qquad$ is the $\qquad$ of all $\qquad$
whose $\qquad$ satisfy the equation.

STEPS FOR USING THE POINT-PLOTTING METHOD FOR GRAPHING AN EQUATION IN TWO VARIABLES

1. Find several $\qquad$ that are $\qquad$ of the equation.
2. Plot these ordered pairs as $\qquad$ in the coordinate system.
3. $\qquad$ the points with a $\qquad$ curve or $\qquad$ depending on the type of equation.

Example 3: Graph the following equations by plotting points.
a. $y=2 x$

| $x$ | $y=2 x$ | $(x, y)$ |
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b. $y=-3 x+9$

| $x$ | $y=-3 x+9$ | $(x, y)$ |
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c. $y=\frac{2}{5} x+3$

| $x$ | $y=\frac{2}{5} x+3$ | $(x, y)$ |
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## COMPARING GRAPHS OF LINEAR EQUATIONS

If the value of $\qquad$ does not change,
$\pi$ The graph of $\qquad$ is the graph of $\qquad$ shifted
$\qquad$ units $\qquad$ when $\qquad$ is a positive number.
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## APPLICATION

In 1960, per capita fish consumption was 10 pounds. This increased by approximately 0.15 pound per year from 1960 through 2005. These conditions can be described by the mathematical model $F=0.15 n+10$, where $F$ is per capita fish consumption $n$ years after 1960.
a. Let $n=0,10,20,30$, and 40 . Make a table of values showing five solutions of the equation.

| $n$ | $F=0.15 n+10$ | $(n, F)$ |
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b. Graph the formula in a rectangular coordinate system.

c. Use the graph to estimate per capita fish consumption in 2020.
d. Use the formula to project per capita fish consumption in 2020.

