

Creating Equations

Name _____

Define variables, find the slope and y-intercept, and create an equation (in slope-intercept form) for each situation

1. You go to the store to buy batteries. Batteries cost \$1.25 each.

$$m = 1.25$$

$$b = 0$$

$$y = 1.25x$$

$x = \#$ of batteries
 $y =$ total cost

2. Jimmy babysits his brother and sister. He earns \$7.50 per hour.

$$m = 7.50$$

$$b = 0$$

$$y = 7.50x$$

$y =$ total money
 $x = \#$ of hours

3. Dan bought 12 donuts for each 10 boys at the Scout camping trip. He already had 24 donuts.

$$m = \frac{12}{10} = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$b = 24$$

$$y = \frac{6}{5}x + 24$$

$y =$ donuts
 $x = \#$ of boys

4. Ty mows lawns and earns \$30 for each lawn. He paid \$100 for the lawnmower.

$$m = 30$$

$$b = -100$$

$$y = 30x - 100$$

$y =$ total money
 $x = \#$ of lawns

5. I go to the store to buy some apples and I find that 5 apples cost \$7.00.

The amount spent depends on $\#$ of apples

$$m = \frac{7}{5}$$

$$b = 0$$

$$y = \frac{7}{5}x$$

$y =$ total money
 $x = \#$ of apples

6. Jane spends \$12.00 each day at college for food. She started with \$500.00

$$m = -12$$

$$b = 500$$

$$y = -12x + 500$$

$y =$ total money
 $x = \#$ of days

apples = input
money spent = output

7. Your mom bought 1 ^y pizza for each 5 ^x kids at the sleepover.

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

$$b = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{5}x$$

y = # of pizza
x = # of kids

8. It takes 2 ^y minutes to do each math ^x problem and you have already been working on your math homework for 20 minutes.

$$m = 2$$

$$b = 20$$

$$y = 2x + 20$$

y = total minutes
x = # of math problems

* depends on definition of y variable

9. You pay 2.00 ^y for each game ^x at the fun fair and you paid \$10.00 to get into the fair.

$$m = 2$$

$$b = 10$$

$$y = 2x + 10$$

y = money spent
x = # of games

or

$$m = -2$$

$$b = -10$$

$$y = -2x - 10$$

y = total money
x = # of games

10. It takes 20 yards of ribbon to wrap 45 gifts.

$$m = \frac{20}{45} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$y = \frac{4}{9}x$$

$$b = 0$$

x = # of gifts
y = yards of ribbon

11. Kim earns \$25.00 ^m an hour at her new job but she had to spend \$1200 on a used car to get to work.

$$m = 25$$

$$b = -1200$$

$$y = 25x - 1200$$

y = total money
x = # of hours

12. Jess has \$20.00 and she spends \$2.00 ^m each day on gum.

$$m = 2$$

$$b = 20$$

$$y = 2x + 20$$

y = total money
x = # of days