Summary Chapter 3: Graphs and Functions

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Section 1:

Terminology

- Linear equation in two variables
- Rectangular coordinate system
- x-axis and y-axis
- Ordered Pair
- Independent Variable
- Dependent Variable
- Table of Values
- *x*-intercept and *y*-intercept

Be Able To

- Determine if given ordered pairs are solutions of linear equations in two variables
- Plot ordered pairs
- Create a table of values from an algebraic equation
- Complete table of values for linear equations in two variables
- Graph linear equation by plotting points
- Graph vertical and horizontal lines
- Find the *x*-intercept and *y*-intercept
- Apply the concepts

Section 2:

<u>Terminology</u>

- Slope
- Parallel lines
- Perpendicular lines

Be Able To

- Find the slope of a line
- Find the slope given two points
- Graph a line given a point and the slope
- Graph a line using the slope and y-intercept
- Apply the concepts

Be able to use the formula

• Slope of a line containing the points (*x*₁, *y*₁) and (*x*₂, *y*₂):

Section 3:

Terminology

- Slope-intercept form of an equation of a straight line
- The point-slope form of an equation of a straight line
- Be Able To
- Find the equation of a line given the slope and yintercept
- Find the equation of a line given one point and a slope
- Find the equation of a line given two points
- Find the equation of a line parallel to a given line
- Find the equation of a line perpendicular to a given line
- Apply the concepts

Be able to use the formulas

- Slope-Intercept form of a line: y = mx + b
- Point-Slope form of a line: $y y_1 = m(x x_1)$

Section 4:

Know The Following Definitions

Linear inequality in two variables

Section 5:

Know The Following Definitions

Relation

<u>Be Able To</u>

- Verify solutions to an inequality in two variables
- Graph linear inequalities in two variables
- Apply the concepts
- Be Able To
- Determine whether a relation represents a function

$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$

- Function
- Input values
- Output values
- Domain of a function
- Range of a function
- Function notation

Section 6: Know The Following Definitions

• Vertical line test

- Find the domain of a relation
- Find the range of a relation
- Graphs of relations
- Use function notation

Be Able To

- Apply the vertical line test
- Identify graphs of basic functions
- Apply the concepts

Sample Applications of Chapter 3 Content

- Read a graph
- Identify and interpret slope

Example: In the linear equation y = 2x + 4, the slope is 2 and means that the value of y increases two units for every one unit increase in the value of x.

Example: If *x* represents the number of years since a car was purchased and y = -3200 x + 23480 represents the value of the car, then the slope, which is -3200, means that the value of the car is decreasing by 3200 dollars per year.

- Calculate and interpret slope
- Write linear equation and interpret slope
- Use a given formula to calculate the basal metabolic rate (BMR) for a person

Example: B(x) = 370 + 9.8x where B(x) the BMR, x is the lean body mass in pounds

• Use a given formula to calculate the height of men and women based on the femur length

Example: H(x) = 1.88x + 32 where H(x) is the femur length for of a man, H is the man's height in inches and x is the femur length in inches

• Use a given formula to calculate a specific cost, value