Unit 4 - Lesson 15
The Slope of a Non-Vertical Line

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| Focus <br> Standards: | 8.EE.B.5 | Graph proportional relationships, interpreting the unit rate as the <br> slope of the graph. Compare two different proportional <br> relationships represented in different ways. For example, compare a <br> distance-time graph to a distance-time equation to determine which <br> of two moving objects has greater speed. |
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|  | 8.EE.B.6 | Use similar triangles to explain why the slope $m$ is the same <br> between any two distinct points on a non-vertical line in the <br> coordinate plane; derive the equation for a line through the origin <br> and the equation for a line intercepting the vertical axis at . |

## Student Outcomes

- Students know slope is a number that describes the steepness or slant of a line.
- Students interpret the unit rate as the slope of a graph.


## Graph A



## Graph B


a. Which graph is steeper?
b. Write directions that explain how to move from one point on the graph to the other for both Graph A and Graph B.
c. Write the directions from part (b) as ratios, and then compare the ratios. How does this relate to which graph was steeper in part (a)?

Pair 1:
Graph A


Graph B

a. Which graph is steeper?
b. Write directions that explain how to move from one point on the graph to the other for both Graph A and Graph B.
c. Write the directions from part (b) as ratios, and then compare the ratios. How does this relate to which graph was steeper in part (a)?

Pair 2:

Graph
A


Graph
B

d. Which graph is steeper?
e. Write directions that explain how to move from one point on the graph to the other for both Graph A and Graph B.
f. Write the directions from part (b) as ratios, and then compare the ratios. How does this relate to which graph was steeper in part (a)?

## Pair 3:

Graph A


Graph B

g. Which graph is steeper?
h. Write directions that explain how to move from one point on the graph to the other for both Graph A and Graph B.
i. Write the directions from part (b) as ratios, and then compare the ratios. How does this relate to which graph was steeper in part (a)?

Pair 4:

Graph A


Graph B

j. Which graph is steeper?
k. Write directions that explain how to move from one point on the graph to the other for both Graph A and Graph B.
I. Write the directions from part (b) as ratios, and then compare the ratios. How does this relate to which graph was steeper in part (a)?

## Exercises

2. What is the slope of this non-vertical line?

3. What is the slope of this non-vertical line?

4. Which of the lines in Exercises 1 and 2 is steeper? Compare the slopes of each of the lines. Is there a relationship between steepness and slope?
5. What is the slope of this non-vertical line?

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## Problem Set

8. Does the graph of the line shown below have a positive or negative slope? Explain.

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10. What is the slope of this non-vertical line?

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21. What is the slope of this non-vertical line?


Use the table and the graphs provided to answer the questions that follow.
22. Suppose the volume of water that comes out in three minutes is 10.5 gallons.

| $t$ (time in <br> minutes) | Linear equation: <br> $V=\frac{10.5}{3} \boldsymbol{t}$ | $V$ (in <br> gallons) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | $V=\frac{10.5}{3}(0)$ | 0 |
| 1 | $V=\frac{10.5}{3}(1)$ | $\frac{10.5}{3}=3.5$ |
| 2 | $V=\frac{10.5}{3}(2)$ | $\frac{21}{3}=7$ |
| 3 | $V=\frac{10.5}{3}(3)$ | $\frac{31.5}{3}=10.5$ |
| 4 | $V=\frac{10.5}{3}(4)$ | $\frac{42}{3}=14$ |

a. How many gallons of water flow out of the faucet per minute? In other words, what is the unit rate of water flow?
b. Assume that the graph of the situation is a line, as shown in the graph. What is the slope of the line?

23. Emily paints at a constant rate. She can paint 32 square feet in five minutes.

| $t$ (time in <br> minutes) | Linear equation: <br> $A=\frac{3 Z}{5} t$ | $A$ (area <br> painted in <br> square feet) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | $A=\frac{32}{5}(0)$ | 0 |
| 1 | $A=\frac{32}{5}(1)$ | $\frac{32}{5}=6.4$ |
| 2 | $A=\frac{32}{5}(2)$ | $\frac{64}{5}=12.8$ |
| 3 | $A=\frac{32}{5}(3)$ | $\frac{96}{5}=19.2$ |
| 4 | $A=\frac{32}{5}(4)$ | $\frac{128}{5}=25.6$ |

a. How many square feet can Emily paint in one minute? In other words, what is her unit rate of painting?
b. Assume that the graph of the situation is a line, as shown in the graph. What is the slope of the line?

24. A copy machine makes copies at a constant rate. The machine can make 80 copies in $2 \frac{1}{2}$ minutes.

| $t$ (time in <br> minutes) | Linear <br> equation: <br> $n=32 t$ | $n$ (number <br> of copies) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | $n=32(0)$ | 0 |
| 0.25 | $n=32(0.25)$ | 8 |
| 0.5 | $n=32(0.5)$ | 16 |
| 0.75 | $n=32(0.75)$ | 24 |
| 1 | $n=32(1)$ | 32 |

a. How many copies can the machine make each minute? In other words, what is the unit rate of the copy machine?
b. Assume that the graph of the situation is a line, as shown in the graph. What is the slope of the line?


