

SECTION

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Ready To Go On? Skills Intervention**5-2 Using Intercepts**

Find these vocabulary words in Lesson 5-2 and the Multi-Language Visual Glossary.

Vocabulary

y-intercept

x-intercept

Graphing Linear Equations by Using Intercepts

Use intercepts to graph the line described by the equation $5x - 2y = 10$.

STEP 1: The x-intercept is the point where the line _____ the ____-axis.

The y-coordinate for the x-intercept is always ____.

Find the x-intercept of $5x - 2y = 10$.

$$5x - 2(\underline{\quad}) = 10 \quad \text{Substitute } y = 0.$$

$$5x - (\underline{\quad}) = 10 \quad \text{Multiply.}$$

$$5x = 10$$

$$x = \underline{\quad}$$

The point where $5x - 2y = 10$ crosses the x-axis is (, 0).

STEP 2: The y-intercept is the point where the line _____ the ____-axis.

The x-coordinate for the y-intercept is always ____.

Find the y-intercept of $5x - 2y = 10$.

$$5(\underline{\quad}) - 2y = 10 \quad \text{Substitute } x = 0.$$

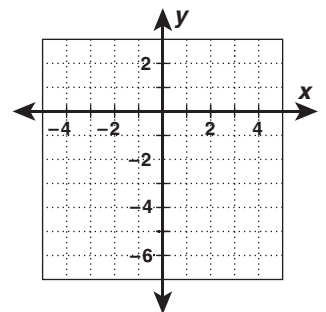
$$(\underline{\quad}) - 2y = 10 \quad \text{Multiply.}$$

$$-2y = 10$$

$$y = \underline{\quad}$$

The point where $5x - 2y = 10$ crosses the y-axis is (0,).

STEP 3: The x-intercept is (, 0). Plot this point on the coordinate system. The y-intercept is (0,). Plot this point on the coordinate system. Connect these two intercepts with a straight line.



SECTION 5A **Ready to Go On? Problem Solving Intervention**
5-2 Using Intercepts

The intercepts of the graph of a linear function are specific points on the line. They are the points where the line intersects each axis.

Jaime earns a monthly allowance of \$50. He currently owes his mom \$250 for money she let him borrow. The function $f(x) = 50x - 250$ represents Jaime's current allowance status, where $x =$ months. Graph the function and find its intercepts. What does each intercept represent?

Understand the Problem

1. What does x represent? _____
2. What does $f(x)$ represent? _____

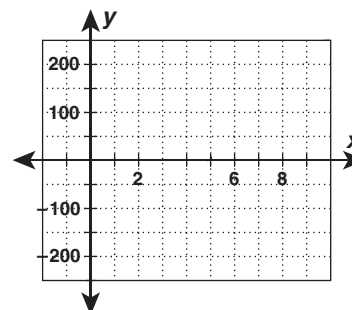
Make a Plan

3. Use the function $f(x) = 50x - 250$ to complete the table.

x	0	1	2	3	4	5
y	-250					0

Solve

4. Graph the ordered pairs from the table.
5. Name the ordered pair of the y -intercept. _____
6. The y -intercept represents the amount of _____ Jaime owes his _____.
7. Name the ordered pair of the x -intercept. _____
8. The x -intercept represents the number of _____ that will pass before Jaime has paid off his mom.



Look Back

9. To check your answer, substitute the intercepts into the function.

x -intercept: _____ y -intercept: _____

$f(\underline{\quad}) = 50(\underline{\quad}) - 250$ $f(\underline{\quad}) = 50(\underline{\quad}) - 250$

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10. Do the intercepts make the function true? _____