

# UNIT 3. DAY 15: SLOPE

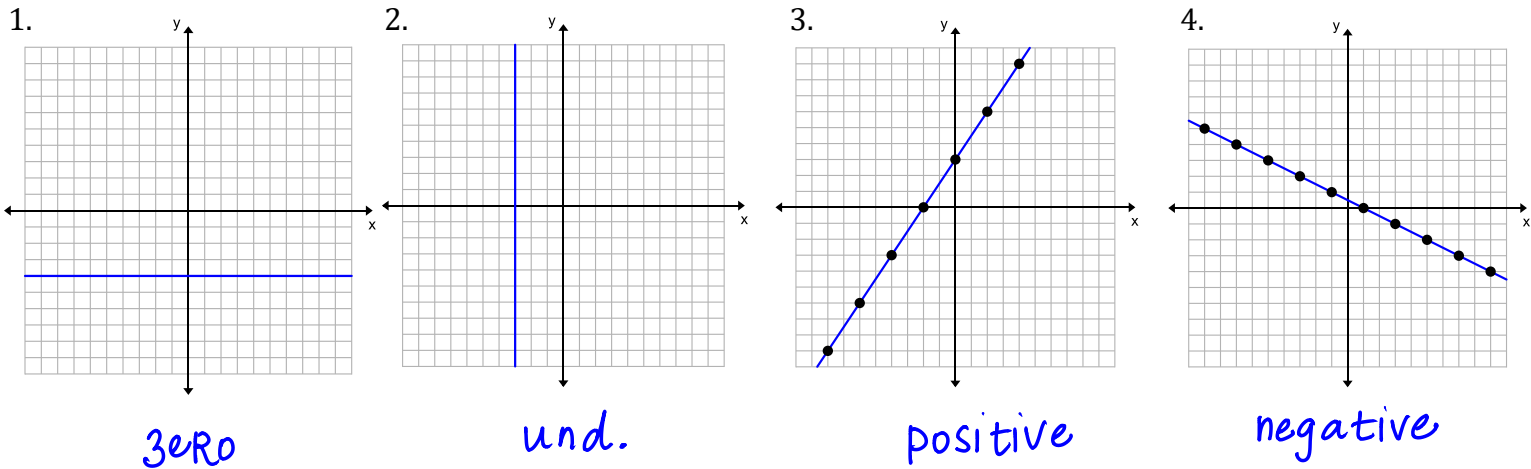
We always read a graph from LEFT to RIGHT (like a book!)



What is slope?

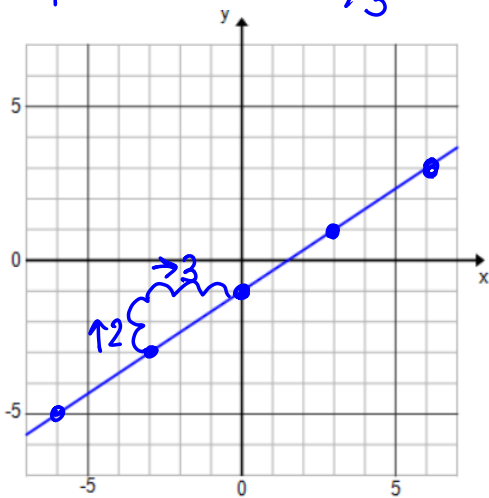
$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{\text{Rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{\text{Difference of } y\text{'s}}{\text{Difference of } x\text{'s}}$$

**Determine whether the slope is positive, negative, zero, or undefined.**

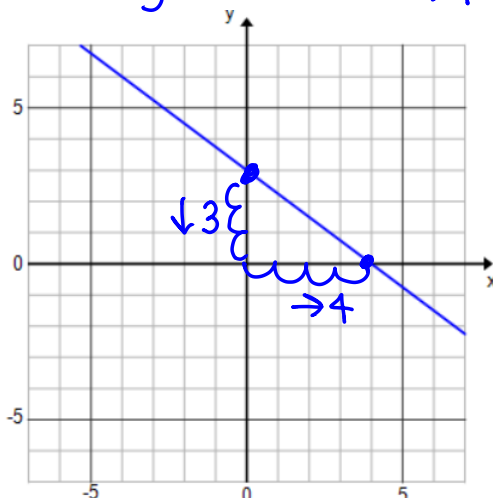


**First, decide if the slope is positive, negative, or neither, then determine the actual slope of the line.**

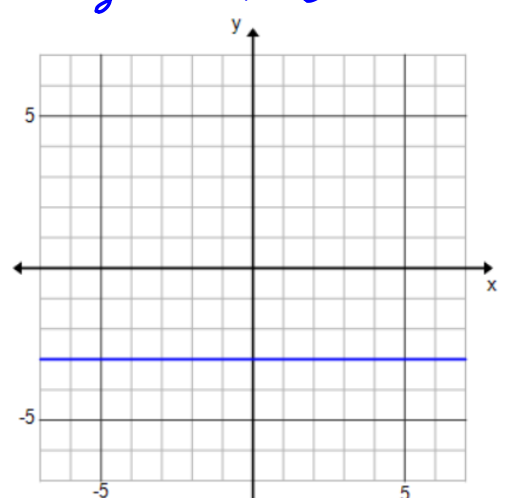
5. positive:  $m = 2/3$



6. negative:  $m = -3/4$

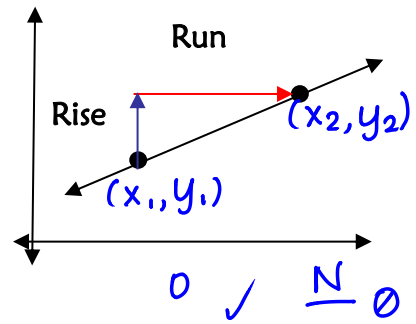


7. zero:  $m = 0$



**Determine the SLOPE from 2 Points:**

Slope:  $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$



**Find the SLOPE of the line that passes through the points.**

8) (5, 2) and (4, -1)

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{-1-2}{4-5} = \frac{-3}{-1} = 3$$

9) (-2, 3) and (4, 6)

$$\frac{6-3}{4-(-2)} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

11) (5, 2) and (5, -2)

$$\frac{-2-2}{5-5} = \frac{-4}{0}$$

undefined!

**Try these with your partner:** Raise your hand once you have completed each one to get it checked by Miss P!

10) (-1, -8) and (3, -10)

$$\frac{-10-(-8)}{3-(-1)} = \frac{-2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

11) (0, 4) and (-3, 4)

$$\frac{4-4}{-3-0} = \frac{0}{-3} = 0$$

12) (0, 6) and (5, -4)

$$\frac{-4-6}{5-0} = \frac{-10}{5} = -2$$