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Sec 4.7 – Graphing Linear Relations Notes

1. Graphing

On a coordinate grid, it is convention to use the horizontal axis to represent the ______ and the vertical axis to represent the ______.

When the points lie on a straight line, like in the investigation, we say that the relation is ______.

2. Describing Relations

The equations from the investigation all show a relationship between two variables. You need to know how to describe a relationship in the following ways:



Example 1 – John wants to have a birthday party at the movie theatre. He knows that tickets cost \$8 per person but the movie theatre will give him \$6 off his total bill since it is his birthday.

- a) If we let *C* represent the total cost and *n* represent the number of friends, write a formula John could use to calculate the total cost of his birthday.
- b) Create a table of values for the relation. c) Graph the relation.

d) Describe the relationship between the variables in the graph.

Note: We do not join the points since we cannot have 1.3 of a person. Therefore, the data listed in the example above are called _______ since the numbers between the points are not meaningful in this problem.

Example 2 – At the Pizza Factory, an extra-large pizza costs \$13 plus \$2 per additional topping.

a) If we let *C* represent the total cost of the pizza and *n* represent the number of additional toppings, write a formula to calculate the total cost of an extra-large pizza.

n	C

b) Create a table of values for the relation.



d) Describe the relationship between the variables in the graph.

3. Practice – Graph each relation for integer values of x from – 4 to 4.







Cooking the Notes

You now know several ways to represent a relation (table of values, equation, graph, words). Which way tells you most about the relation? Explain why you think so.