

Algebra 2 Notes

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Order of Operations, Slope, and Intercepts

For the first day back, we are going to refresh your memory regarding some key ideas in algebra.

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Example 1: Simplify. Be sure to show your work!

a. $2^2 \cdot 3^2 - (5^2 - 4^2)$

$$2^2 \cdot 3^2 - (25 - 16)$$

$$4 \cdot 9 - 9$$

$$36 - 9$$

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b. $12 - 2(5^2 - 3 \cdot 4)$

$$12 - 2(25 - 3 \cdot 4)$$

$$12 - 2(25 - 12)$$

$$12 - 2(13)$$

$$12 - 26$$

-14

c. $64 \div 4 \cdot 2 + 3[2 - (10 - 12)]$

$$64 \div 4 \cdot 2 + 3[2 - (-2)]$$

$$64 \div 4 \cdot 2 + 3(4)$$

$$16 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 4$$

$$32 + 12$$

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d. $\frac{12 - 10 + 5 \cdot 2}{3^2 - (1-2)^3}$

$$\frac{12 - 10 + 10}{3^2 - (-1)^3}$$

$$\frac{2 + 10}{9 - (-1)}$$

$$\frac{12}{10} = \frac{6}{5}$$

Example 2: Find the slope of the line passing through the points. Remember, $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$ or $m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$.

a. $(-3, 6)$ and $(-2, 4)$

$$m = \frac{6 - 4}{-3 + 2}$$

$$m = \frac{2}{-1}$$

m = -2

b. $(6, -10)$ and $(-2, -10)$

$$m = \frac{-10 + 10}{6 + 2}$$

$$m = \frac{0}{8}$$

m = 0

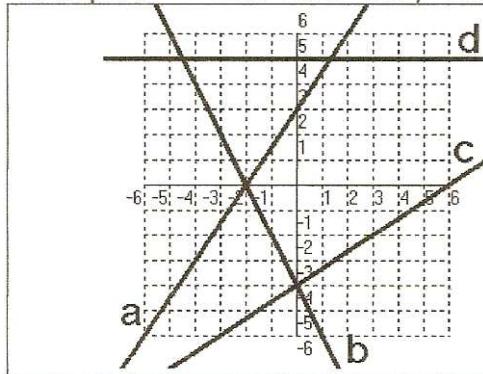
c. $(3, 7)$ and $(8, -8)$

$$m = \frac{7 + 8}{3 - 8}$$

$$m = \frac{15}{-5}$$

m = -3

Example 3: Find the x- and y- intercepts AND the slope of each line.



	x-intercept	y-intercept	slope
a. line a	(-2, 0)	(0, 3)	$+\frac{3}{2}$
b. line b	(-2, 0)	(0, -4)	$-\frac{4}{2} = -2$
c. line c	(6, 0)	(0, -4)	$+\frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$
d. line d	none	(0, 5)	0