

# STANDARD FORM OF AN EQUATION OF A LINE

## STANDARD FORM

Standard form of a linear equation is written in the form of

$$Ax + By + C = 0$$

Graphing from standard form is trickier than graphing from slope, y-intercept form

SO... You can change a standard form equation into slope y-intercept form by rearranging the equation to look like  $y = mx + b$ .

**Example:** Change  $3x + 2y - 6 = 0$  to slope y-intercept form. What is the slope & y-int?

- Keep y term
- move x-term & constant term to other side
- Divide each term by # in front of y

$$\frac{2y}{2} = \frac{-3x + 6}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{-3}{2}x + 3$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{-3}{2}$$

$$\text{y.int} = 3$$

Rearrange the following equations from standard form to slope, y-intercept form.

a)  $x + y - 3 = 0$

$$y = -x + 3$$

$$m = -1 \quad b = 3$$

b)  $x - y = 0$

$$\frac{-y}{-1} = \frac{-x}{-1}$$

$$y = x$$

$$m = 1 \quad b = 0$$

c)  $-2x + 5y - 15 = 0$

$$\frac{5y}{5} = \frac{2x + 15}{5}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{5}x + 3$$

$$m = \frac{2}{5} \quad b = 3$$

### CHANGE FROM STANDARD FORM TO SLOPE Y-INTERCEPT FORM, THEN GRAPH

For each of the following questions:

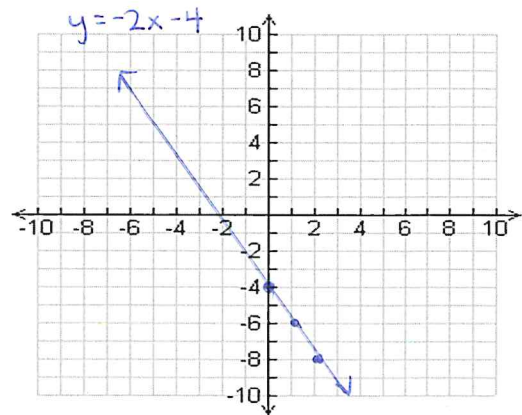
- Rewrite the standard form equation in Slope y-intercept form ( $y = mx + b$ ) and
- State the slope and y-intercept
- Graph and label the line

1.  $2x + y + 4 = 0$

$$y = -2x - 4$$

Equation:  $y = -2x - 4$

$m =$   $-2/1$      $b =$   $-4$



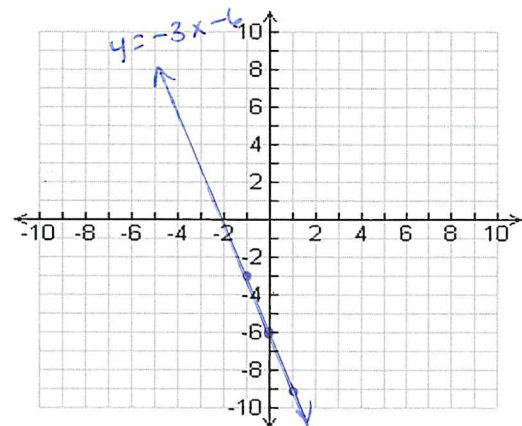
2.  $-3x - y - 6 = 0$

$$\frac{-y}{-1} = \frac{3x+6}{-1}$$

$$y = -3x - 6$$

Equation:  $y = -3x - 6$

$m =$   $-3/1$      $b =$   $-6$



3.  $3x + 2y - 4 = 0$

$$\frac{2y}{2} = \frac{-3x+4}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{-3}{2}x + 2$$

Equation:  $y = \frac{-3}{2}x + 2$

$m =$   $-3/2$      $b =$   $2$

