

Parallel and Perpendicular Lines Practice

Parallel Lines are have the same slope but different y-intercepts

1. Find the equation of a line parallel to the line: $y = 2x + 4$, through the point $(4, -3)$.

$$m_{||} = 2 \quad -3 = 2(4) + b$$

$$-3 = 8 + b \quad b = -11$$

$$\frac{-3}{-8} \quad \frac{-8}{-8}$$

$$y = 2x - 11$$

2. Find the equation of a line parallel to the line: $y = \frac{3}{4}x - 12$, through the point $(8, 5)$.

$$m_{||} = \frac{3}{4} \quad 5 = \frac{3}{4}(8) + b$$

$$5 = 6 + b \quad b = -1$$

$$\frac{-6}{-6} \quad \frac{-6}{-6}$$

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

3. Find the equation of a line parallel to the line: $-3x + y = 9$, through the point $(4, 6)$

$$y = 3x + 9$$

$$m_{||} = 3 \quad 6 = 3(4) + b$$

$$6 = 12 + b \quad b = -6$$

$$y = 3x - 6$$

4. Find the equation of a line parallel to the line: $4x + 2y = -12$, through the point $(-6, 2)$

$$\frac{2}{2}y = \frac{-4x - 12}{2} \quad m = -2 \quad 2 = -2(-6) + b$$

$$y = -2x - 6 \quad 2 = 12 + b$$

$$-10 = b \quad y = -2x - 10$$

Perpendicular Lines are lines that have the slopes that are opposite reciprocals.

5. Find the equation of a line perpendicular to the line: $y = 3x + 5$, through the point $(4, -3)$.

$$m_{\perp} = -\frac{1}{3} \quad -3 = -\frac{1}{3}(4) + b$$

$$-3 = -\frac{4}{3} + b$$

$$\frac{+4/3}{-5/3} \quad \frac{+4/3}{-5/3}$$

$$-\frac{5}{3} = b$$

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

6. Find the equation of a line perpendicular to the line: $y = \frac{1}{2}x - 12$, through the point $(-8, 6)$.

$$m_{\perp} = -2 \quad 6 = -2(-8) + b$$

$$6 = 16 + b$$

$$\frac{-16}{-16} \quad \frac{-16}{-16}$$

$$-10 = b$$

$$y = -2x - 10$$

7. Find the equation of a line perpendicular to the line: $-6x + 3y = 9$, through the point $(6, -2)$

$$\frac{3}{3}y = \frac{6x + 9}{3} \quad m_{\perp} = -\frac{1}{2} \quad -2 = -\frac{1}{2}(6) + b$$

$$y = 2x + 3 \quad -2 = -3 + b$$

$$\frac{+3}{+3} \quad \frac{+3}{+3}$$

$$1 = b$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 1$$

8. Find the equation of a line perpendicular to the line: $5x + y = 10$, through the point $(-6, 2)$

$$y = -5x + 10 \quad m_{\perp} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$2 = \frac{1}{5}(-6) + b$$

$$2 = -\frac{6}{5} + b$$

$$\frac{+6}{+5} \quad \frac{+6}{+5}$$

$$b = \frac{16}{5}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{5}x + \frac{16}{5}$$