

EX 1.4

19. The slope of the line through A and B is $\frac{-10 - (-2)}{-3 - 1} = \frac{-8}{-4} = 2$.

The slope of the line through C and D is $\frac{1 - 5}{-1 - 1} = \frac{-4}{-2} = 2$.

Since the slopes of these two lines are equal, the lines are parallel.

21. The slope of the line through A and B is $\frac{2 - 5}{4 - (-2)} = -\frac{3}{6} = -\frac{1}{2}$.

The slope of the line through C and D is $\frac{6 - (-2)}{3 - (-1)} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$. Since the slopes of these two lines are the negative reciprocals of each other, the lines are perpendicular.

27. We use the point-slope form of an equation of a line with the point $(3, -4)$ and slope $m = 2$. Thus

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1),$$

$$\text{and } y - (-4) = 2(x - 3)$$

$$y + 4 = 2x - 6$$

$$y = 2x - 10.$$

31. We first compute the slope of the line joining the points $(2, 4)$ and $(3, 7)$. Thus,

$$m = \frac{7 - 4}{3 - 2} = 3.$$

Using the point-slope form of an equation of a line with the point $(2, 4)$ and slope $m = 3$, we find

$$y - 4 = 3(x - 2)$$

$$y = 3x - 2.$$

35. We use the slope-intercept form of an equation of a line: $y = mx + b$. Since $m = 3$, and $b = 4$, the equation is $y = 3x + 4$.

41. We write the equation in slope-intercept form:

$$2x - 3y - 9 = 0$$

$$-3y = -2x + 9$$

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

From this equation, we see that $m = 2/3$ and $b = -3$.

45. We first write the equation $2x - 4y - 8 = 0$ in slope-intercept form:

$$2x - 4y - 8 = 0$$

$$4y = 2x - 8$$

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

Now the required line is parallel to this line, and hence has the same slope. Using the point-slope equation of a line with $m = 1/2$ and the point $(-2, 2)$, we have

$$y - 2 = \frac{1}{2}[x - (-2)]$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + 3.$$

46. We first write the equation $3x + 4y - 22 = 0$ in slope-intercept form:

$$3x + 4y - 22 = 0$$

$$4y = -3x + 22$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{22}{4}.$$

Now the required line is perpendicular to this line, and hence has slope $4/3$ (the negative reciprocal of $-3/4$). Using the point-slope equation of a line with $m = 4/3$ and the point $(2, 4)$, we have

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

$$y = \frac{4}{3}x + \frac{4}{3}.$$

51. Since the required line is parallel to the line joining $(-3, 2)$ and $(6, 8)$, it has slope

$$m = \frac{8 - 2}{6 - (-3)} = \frac{6}{9} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

We also know that the required line passes through $(-5, -4)$. Using the point-slope form of an equation of a line, we find

$$y - (-4) = \frac{2}{3}(x - (-5))$$

or $y = \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{10}{3} - 4$; that is $y = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{2}{3}$

53. Since the point $(-3, 5)$ lies on the line $kx + 3y + 9 = 0$, it satisfies the equation.

Substituting $x = -3$ and $y = 5$ into the equation gives

$$-3k + 15 + 9 = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad k = 8.$$

63. Using the equation $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$ with $a = -2$ and $b = -4$, we have $-\frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{4} = 1$.

Then

$$-4x - 2y = 8$$

$$2y = -8 - 4x$$

$$y = -2x - 4.$$

83. Writing each equation in the slope-intercept form, we have

$$y = -\frac{a_1}{b_1}x - \frac{c_1}{b_1} \quad (b_1 \neq 0) \quad \text{and} \quad y = -\frac{a_2}{b_2}x - \frac{c_2}{b_2} \quad (b_2 \neq 0)$$

Since two lines are parallel if and only if their slopes are equal, we see that the

lines are parallel if and only if $-\frac{a_1}{b_1} = -\frac{a_2}{b_2}$, or $a_1b_2 - b_1a_2 = 0$.