

Explore:

1. Graph $x + 3y = -3$ using intercepts.

Step 1: Find the y-intercept by plugging in 0 for x.

$$0 + 3y = -3$$

$$\frac{3y}{3} = \frac{-3}{3}$$

$$y = -1$$

$$(0, -1)$$

Step 2: Find the x-intercept by plugging in 0 for y.

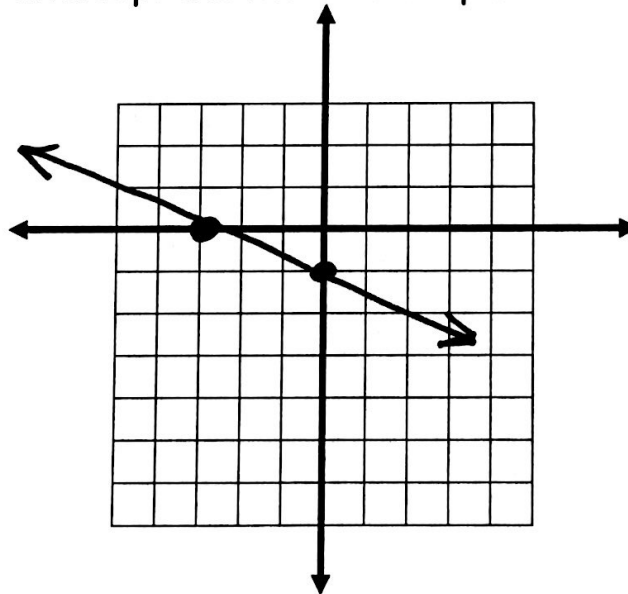
$$x + 3(0) = -3$$

$$x + 0 = -3$$

$$x = -3$$

$$(-3, 0)$$

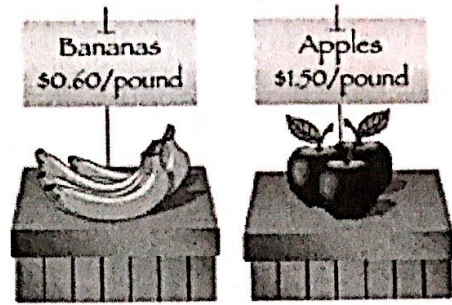
Step 3: Plot the y-intercept and the x-intercept. Connect the two points.



2. You have \$6 to spend on apples and bananas.

a. Write an equation representing the number of apples and the number of bananas you can buy. $1.50a + .60b = 6$

OR $1.50x + .60y = 6$



b. Find the x- and y- intercepts for the equation you wrote.

$$.60b = 6$$

$$b = 10$$

OR

$$y = 10$$

$$1.50a = 6$$

$$a = 4$$

OR

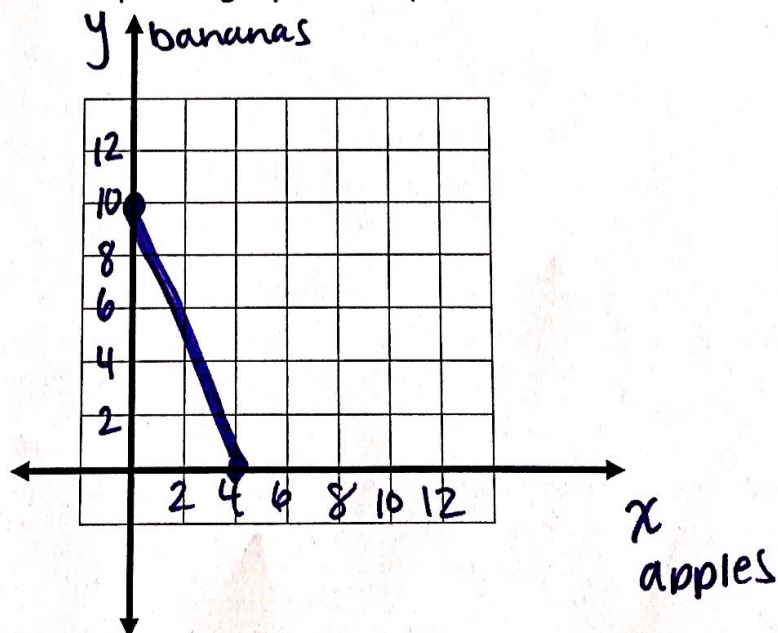
$$x = 4$$

c. What do the intercepts mean in the context of this problem?

if you buy zero apples you can buy 10 bananas
and

if you buy zero bananas you can buy 4 apples

d. Use the x- and y- intercepts to graph the equation.



Summarize:

In your own words, explain how to use the intercepts to graph an equation that is in standard form.

Plug in zero for x and solve for y

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Plot 2 points

Connect the 2 points