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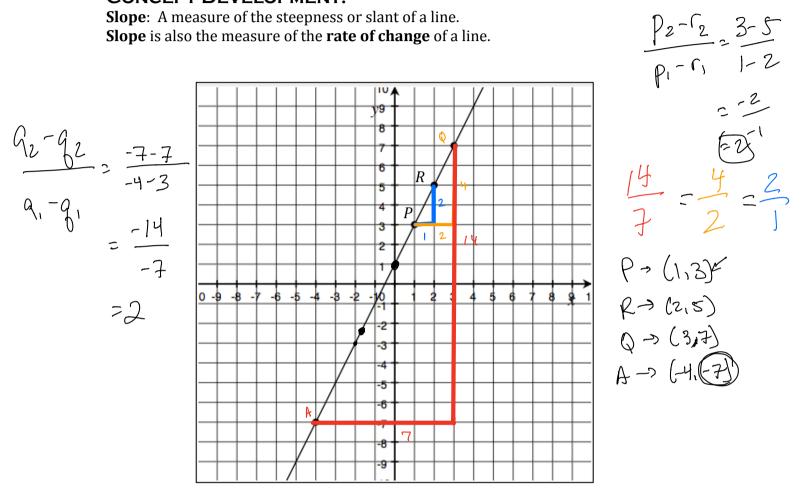
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**LEARNING OBJECTIVE:** We will use the slope formula when computing the slope of a line and explore the concept of slope triangles. (G8M4L15)

#### **CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT:**

**Slope**: A measure of the steepness or slant of a line. **Slope** is also the measure of the **rate of change** of a line.



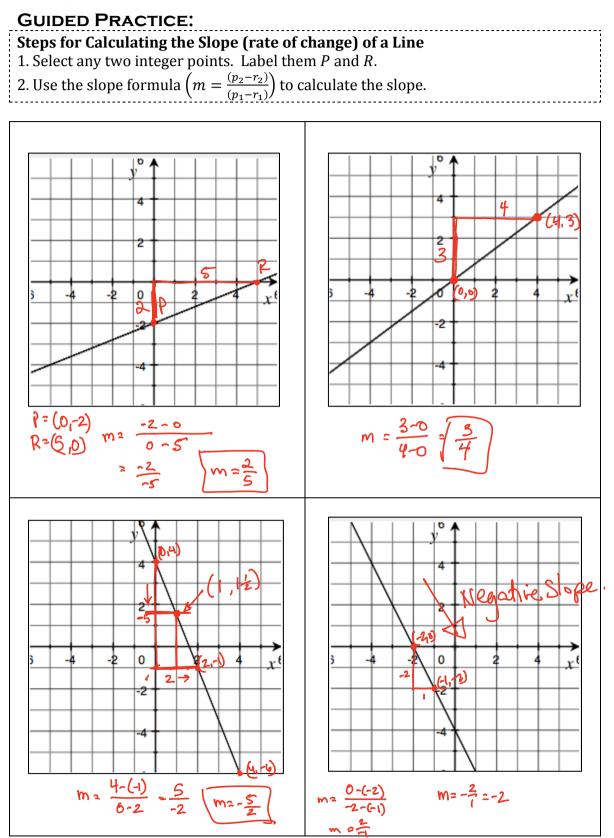
## **SLOPE FORMULA:**

Where the coordinates of point P on a line are represented by  $P = (p_1, p_2)$  and the coordinates of point R on the line are represented by  $R = (r_1, r_2)$ , the slope formula states that:

$$m = \frac{(p_2 - r_2)}{(p_1 - r_1)} = \frac{rise}{run} = \frac{difference in y - values}{difference in x - values}$$

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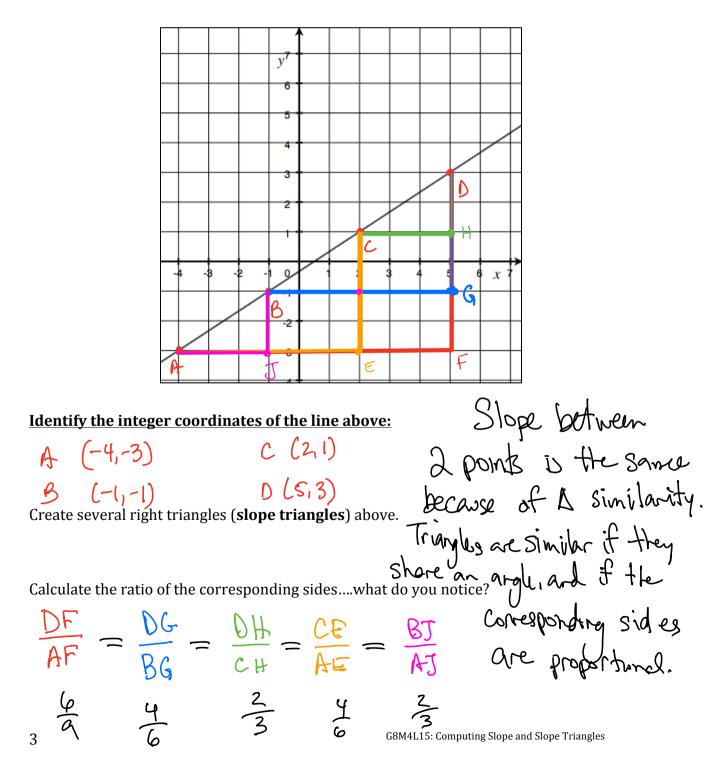
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# A Closer Look at Slope Triangles:

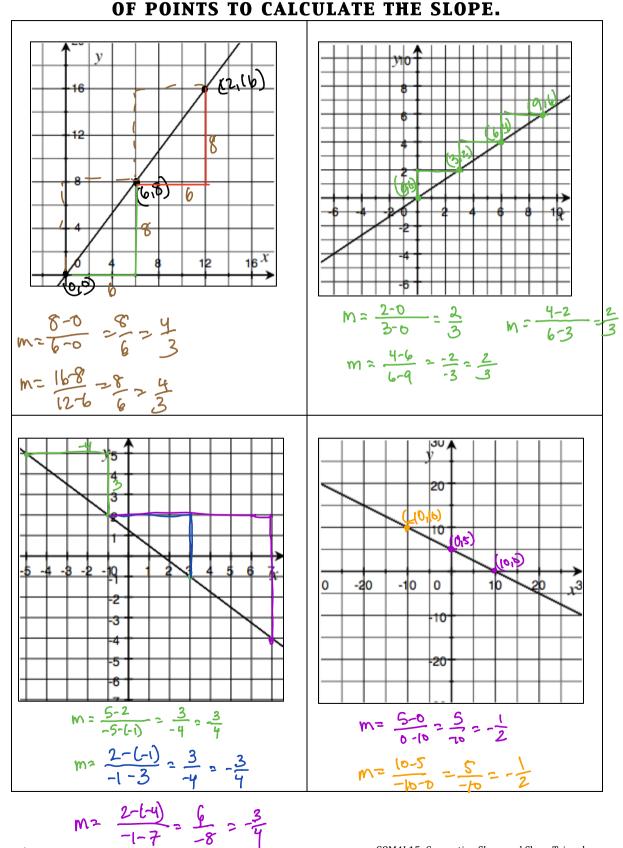
It doesn't matter what two points we look at. The ratio of rise to run will be the same!

What do we know about two similar triangles:

- The measures of the angles are the same
- The ratio of the corresponding sides is equal.



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## ON THIS PAGE, USE TWO DIFFERENT PAIRS OF POINTS TO CALCULATE THE SLOPE.

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#### **INDEPENDENT PRACTICE:**

Use two different pairs of points to calculate slope below

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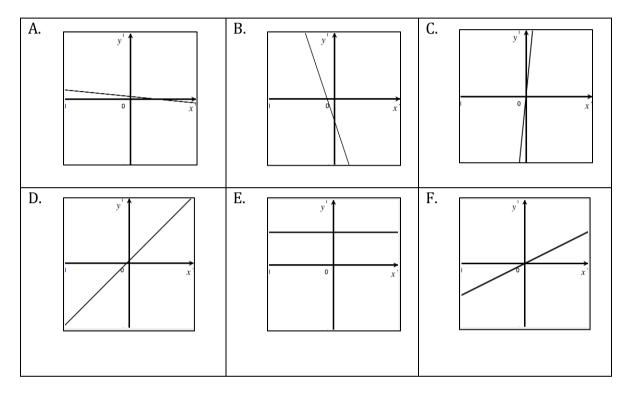
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#### ACTIVATING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE:

We can visually distinguish between lines with negative slope and lines with positive slope:

Label each graph as having positive, negative or zero slope



# Closure: POINT P HAS COORDINATES OF (3, -5) AND IS ON A LINE THAT HAS A SLOPE OF 4. IDENTIFY TWO OTHER COORDINATES THAT WOULD ALSO BE ON THE SAME LINE.

#### **TEACHER NOTES:**

This is lesson 16 from Module 4, grade 8.