

# 6.4 Part 2

Name: KEY

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

Writing Eq's of Perpendicular Lines Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Summary:

**SLOPE  
Formula**

$$m = \frac{Y_2 - Y_1}{X_2 - X_1}$$

**SLOPE-INTERCEPT  
Form**

$$y = mx + b$$

**POINT-  
SLOPE  
Form**

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

How do we know if two lines are perpendicular?

Their slopes (m) are opposite (+-) reciprocals ( $\frac{a}{b} \rightarrow \frac{b}{a}$ ).

Determine if the two lines are perpendicular.

1) Line 1: through (-1, 0) and (0, 4)

Line 2: through (-2, -6) and (-1, -2) No, not perpendicular.

$$m_1 = \frac{4 - 0}{0 - (-1)} = \frac{4}{1} = 4$$

$$m_2 = \frac{-2 - (-6)}{-1 - (-2)} = \frac{4}{1} = 4$$

They are parallel.  
(same slopes)

2) Line 1:  $y = 3x - 9$

Line 2:  $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 7$

$$y = mx + b$$

$$m_1 = 3$$

$$m_2 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Yes,  $\perp$ .

Slopes are  
opposite  
reciprocals.

3) Line 1:  $y = -\frac{1}{2}x$

Line 2:  $y = 2x + 5$

$$m_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$m_2 = 2$$

Yes, the lines are  
perpendicular.

Change to  
Slope-Int.  
Form.  
 $y = mx + b$

4) Line 1:  $3x + 2y = 6$

Line 2:  $12x - 18y = -1$

Line 1:  $2y = -3x + 6$

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

$$m = -\frac{3}{2}$$

Yes  $\perp$

5) Line 1:  $-0.5x - y = 1$

Line 2:  $-4x + 2y = -2$

Line 1:  $-y = 0.5x + 1$

$$y = -0.5x - 1$$

$$m = -0.5 \rightarrow m = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Line 2:  $2y = 4x - 2$

$$y = 2x - 1$$

Yes,  $\perp$

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### Steps:

1) Identify  $y = mx + b$ ,  
or Calculate

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Slope (m)  
of original  
line.

$$m = ?$$

2) Identify  
perpendicular

Slope.  $m_{\perp}$

\*opposite  
reciprocal

3) Use  $m_{\perp}$

and point  
of  $\perp$  line

and plug  
into Point-Slope Form.

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

4) Simplify  
and write  
in Slope-Intercept  
Form.

$$y = mx + b$$

**EX:** Write an equation of a line that passes through (2, -3) and is perpendicular to the line  $y = 2x - 3$ .

$$\textcircled{1} m = 2$$

$$\textcircled{2} m_{\perp} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\textcircled{3} y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y + 3 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 2)$$

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

$$\textcircled{4} y = -\frac{1}{2}x - 2$$

**TRY:** Write an equation of a line that passes through (4, -1) and is perpendicular to the line  $y = -x + 4$ .

$$\textcircled{1} m = -1$$

$$\textcircled{2} m_{\perp} = 1$$

$$\textcircled{3} y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y + 1 = 1(x - 4)$$

$$y + 1 = x - 4$$

$$\textcircled{4} y = x - 5$$

**EX:** Write an equation of a line that passes through (3, -2) and is perpendicular to the line that passes through (3, 0) and (-3, 1).

$$\textcircled{1} m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$m = \frac{1 - 0}{-3 - 3} = -\frac{1}{6}$$

$$\textcircled{3} y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y + 2 = 6(x - 3)$$

$$y + 2 = 6x - 18$$

$$\textcircled{4} y = 6x - 20$$

$$\textcircled{2} m_{\perp} = 6$$

**TRY:** Write an equation of a line that passes through (-1, 3) and is perpendicular to the line that passes through (1, 5) and (4, 2).

$$\textcircled{1} m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$m = \frac{2 - 5}{4 - 1} = -\frac{3}{3} = -1$$

$$\textcircled{3} y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 3 = 1(x + 1)$$

$$y - 3 = x + 1$$

$$\textcircled{4} y = x + 4$$

$$\textcircled{2} m_{\perp} = 1$$