

NOTES: LESSON 4.5 – SLOPE AND SIMILAR TRIANGLES

Learning Goal: I can use similar triangles to show that any points on the same line have the same **slope**.

Meta de Aprendizaje: Puedo usar triángulos semejantes para demostrar que ningún punto de la misma línea tienen la misma **pendiente**.

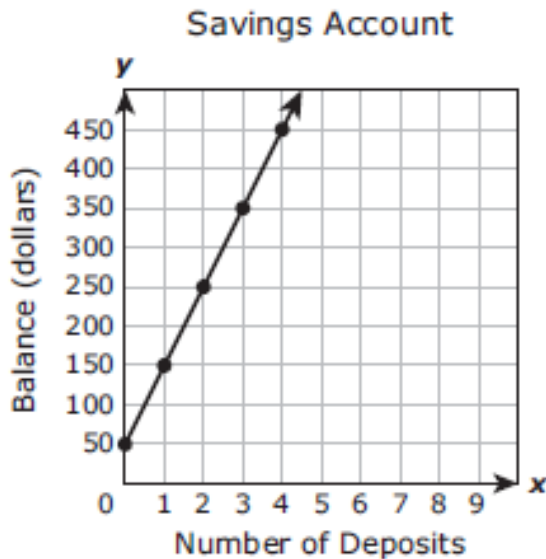
Language Goal: I can read a graph of a line and describe how any two points on the line will have the same **slope**.

Lenguaje Objetivo: Puedo leer un gráfico de una línea y describir cómo dos puntos cualesquiera de la línea tendrán la misma **pendiente**.

Equations for Slope

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \quad \text{or} \quad m = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} \quad \text{or} \quad m = \frac{\text{fall}}{\text{run}}$$

- We can use _____ to calculate **slope**.
 - Any triangle _____ will have _____
- AFTER THE FRACTION** _____ or _____.



Little Triangle

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

or

$$m = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \quad = \quad$$

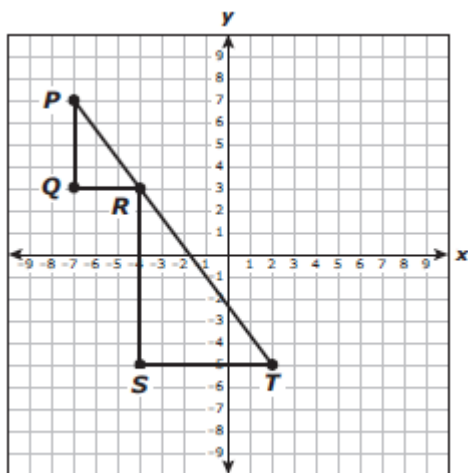
Big Triangle

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

or

$$m = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \quad = \quad$$

Triangles PQR and RST are similar right triangles.



Little Triangle

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or

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Which proportion can be used to show that the slope of \overline{PR} is equal to the slope of \overline{RT} ?

F $\frac{3 - 7}{-4 - (-7)} = \frac{-5 - 3}{2 - (-4)}$

G $\frac{3 - (-4)}{7 - (-7)} = \frac{-5 - 2}{3 - (-4)}$

H $\frac{-4 - (-7)}{3 - 7} = \frac{2 - (-4)}{-5 - 3}$

J $\frac{-4 - (-3)}{-7 - 7} = \frac{2 - (-5)}{-4 - 3}$