

REVIEW: Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

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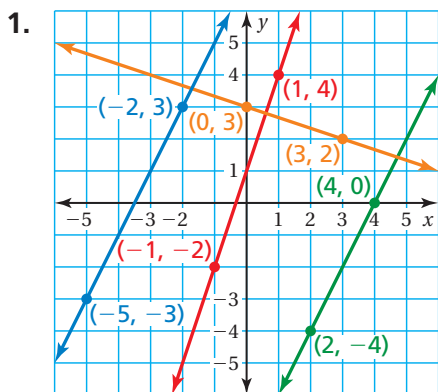
Key Concept and Vocabulary

Lines in the same plane that do not intersect are called **parallel lines**. Two lines are parallel if they have the same slope.



Lines in the same plane that intersect at right angles are called **perpendicular lines**. Two lines are perpendicular if and only if the product of their slopes is -1 .

Skill Example



Blue line: slope = $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{3 - (-3)}{-2 - (-5)} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$

Red line: slope = $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{4 - (-2)}{1 - (-1)} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$

Green line: slope = $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{0 - (-4)}{4 - 2} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$

Orange line: slope = $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{2 - 3}{3 - 0} = -\frac{1}{3}$

The blue and green lines are parallel because they have the same slope.

The red and orange lines are perpendicular because $3 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) = -1$.



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Determine which lines are parallel and which lines are perpendicular. Explain.

