



Essential Knowledge		Teaching Points
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use function machines to find coordinates (i.e. given the input x, find the output y);• Plot and draw graphs of $y = a$, $x = a$, $y = x$ and $y = -x$;• Recognise straight-line graphs parallel to the axes;• Recognise that equations of the form $y = mx + c$ correspond to straight-line graphs in the coordinate plane;• Plot and draw graphs of straight lines of the form $y = mx + c$ using a table of values;• Sketch a graph of a linear function, using the gradient and y-intercept;• Identify and interpret gradient from an equation $y = mx + c$;• Identify parallel lines from their equations;• Plot and draw graphs of straight lines in the form $ax + by = c$;• Find the equation of a straight line from a graph;• Find the equation of the line through one point with a given gradient;• Find approximate solutions to a linear equation from a graph;		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clear presentation of axes is important.• Ensure that you include questions that include axes with negative values to represent, for example, time before present time, temperature or depth below sea level.• Careful annotation should be encouraged: it is good practice to get the students to check that they understand the increments on the axes.• Emphasise the importance of drawing a table of values when not given one.• Values for a table should be taken from the x-axis.• Encourage students to write out set of coordinates from table of values before attempting to draw the graph
Assumed Prior Knowledge/ Links / Interleaving		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students should be able to substitute into a formula• Students should be able to plot coordinates and read scales		
Potential Barriers to Access /Misconceptions		Opportunities for Reasoning/Problem Solving/Proofs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• When not given a table of values, students rarely see the relationship between the coordinate axes.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students should be able to decide what the scales on any axis should be to be able to draw a correct graph.• Without drawing, explain the key features of the graph $y = 2x - 4$.• Which of these lines are parallel, how do you know? $y = 2x + 3$, $y = 5x + 3$, $y = 2x - 9$, $2y = 4x - 8$
Key Mathematical Vocabulary	Linear, graph, distance, time, coordinate, quadrant, real-life graph, gradient, intercept, function, solution, parallel	