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Rational Numbers and the Coordinate Plane

Unit 3 Lesson 6

Students will be able to:

- Describe the coordinate plane.
- Define the terms related to the coordinate plane.
- Identify the different parts of the coordinate plane.
- Name points in the coordinate plane.
- Plot points in the coordinate plane.



Key Vocabulary: Rational Numbers Coordinate Plane Quadrants **Ordered Pairs/Number Pairs** x-axis/y-axis Origin x-coordinate/abscissa y-coordinate/ordinate



Rational Numbers

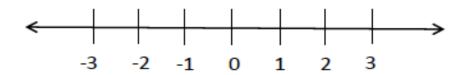
Rational numbers are numbers that can be written in the form of:

$$rac{p}{q}$$
 where p and q are integers and q is not zero

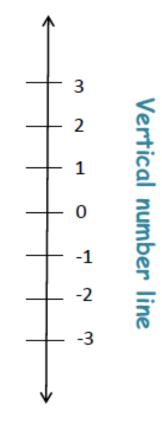
Similar to integers, rational numbers can be plotted or graphed on the coordinate plane. What is a coordinate plane?

The Coordinate Plane

The coordinate plane is composed of two number lines, one of which is vertical and the other one is horizontal.

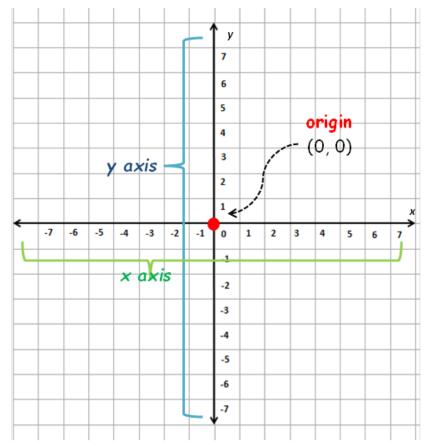


Horizontal number line

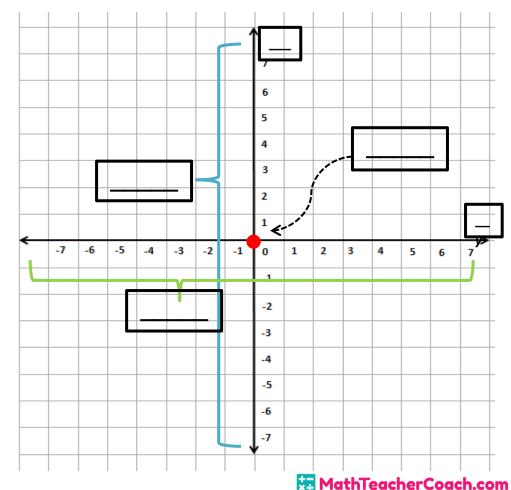


The Coordinate Plane

These number lines make a perpendicular intersection and meet at a common point called the origin, with coordinates (0. 0). The horizontal number line is called the *x-axis* and the vertical number line is called the y-axis.

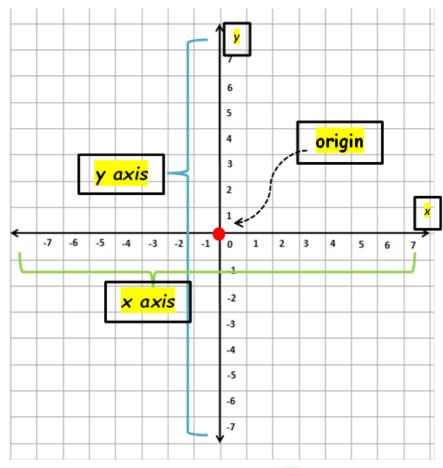


Sample Problem 1: Label the parts of the coordinate plane and fill out any missing values.



Sample Problem 1:

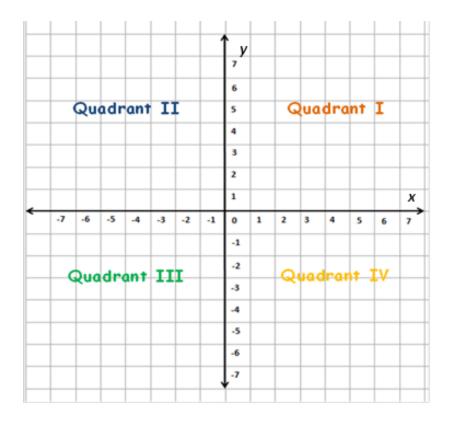
Solution





The Quadrants

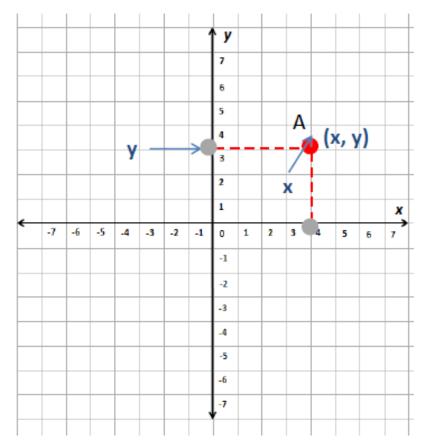
When the horizontal number line (x-axis) and the vertical number line (y-axis) meet at the origin with point (0, 0), four regions called quadrants are formed. These guadrants are labeled with Roman numerals I - IV in a counterclockwise manner.



Points in the Coordinate Plane

The coordinate plane is made up of infinitely many points. Take a look at **point A**.

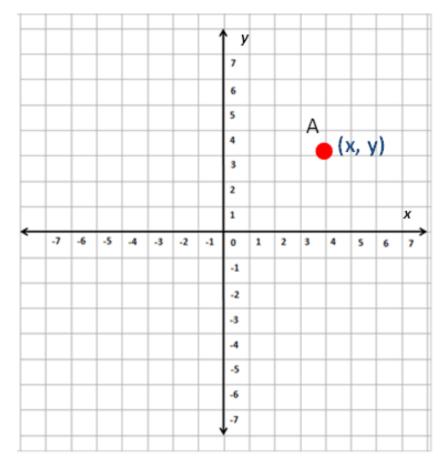
Drawing a line perpendicular from the given point to the *x axis* and another line perpendicular to the *y axis* determines the location of the point in the coordinate plane.



Points in the Coordinate Plane

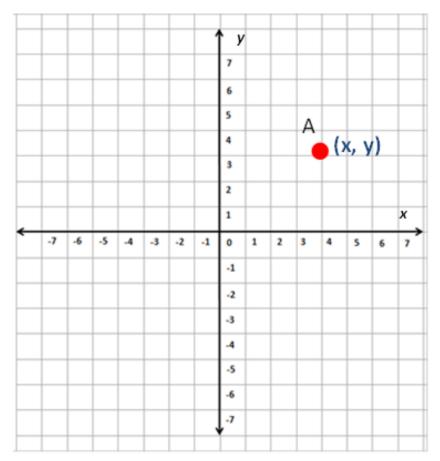
To avoid confusion, we locate point A by giving the number xfirst, then the number y. This will form the ordered pair or coordinates

(x, y). This pair of numbers corresponds to point A.



Points in the Coordinate Plane

The first number x is called the x coordinate or the abscissa, while the second number y is the second coordinate or the ordinate.





Points in the Coordinate Plane



(first coordinate, second coordinate)

(x coordinate, y coordinate)

(abscissa, ordinate)



Sample Problem 2: Complete the table by giving the x coordinate and y coordinate of the given points.

	Points in the Coordinate Plane	x coordinate	y coordinate
1.	A (-1,9)		
2.	B (11, 8)		
3.	$C(\frac{1}{4},5)$		
4.	$D(20, -\frac{9}{4})$		
5.	E (-6, 6)		
6.	F (-9, -10)		
7.	G (0,0)		
8.	H (-25,0)		

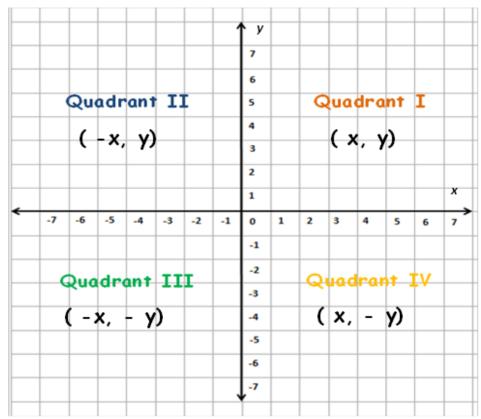


Sample Problem 2: Solution

	Points in the Coordinate Plane	× coordinate	y coordinate
1.	A (−1,9)	<mark>–1</mark>	<mark>9</mark>
2.	B (11, 8)	<mark>11</mark>	<mark>8</mark>
3.	$C(\frac{1}{4},5)$	1 4	<mark>5</mark>
4.	D (20, $-\frac{9}{4}$)	20	$-\frac{9}{4}$
5.	E (-6,6)	<mark>-6</mark>	6
	F (-9, -10)	<mark>-9</mark>	<mark>-10</mark>
7.	G (0,0)	O O	O
8.	H (-25,0)	<mark>-25</mark>	O

Describing the Points in each Quadrant

The coordinates in each quadrant of the coordinate plane varies. Take a look at the illustration below:

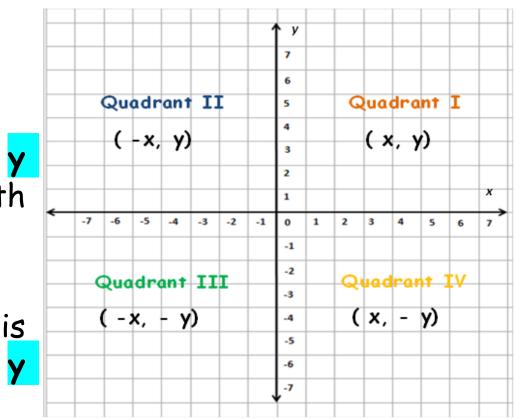


Describing the Points in each Quadrant

In Quadrant I: The x coordinate and the y coordinate are both positive.

In Quadrant II:

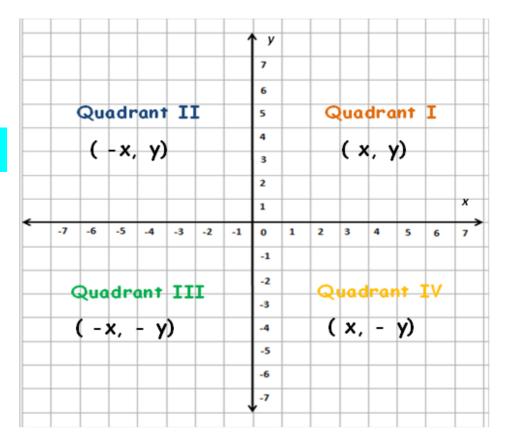
The x coordinate negative and the coordinate is positive.



Describing the Points in each Quadrant

In Quadrant III: The x coordinate and the y coordinate are both negative. In Quadrant IV:

The <mark>x coordinate</mark> is **positive** and the <mark>y coordinate</mark> is **negative**.

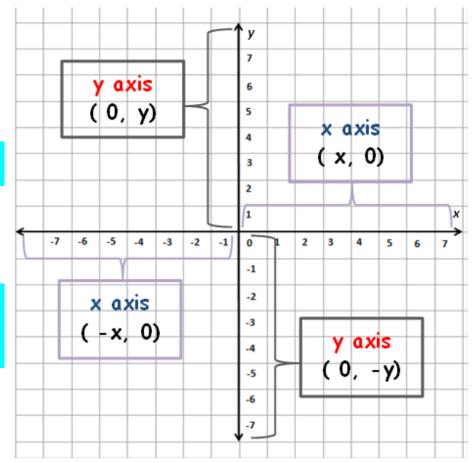




In the x axis:

The x coordinate to the right of 0 is positive and the y coordinate is 0.

The x coordinate to the left of 0 is negative and the y coordinate is 0.



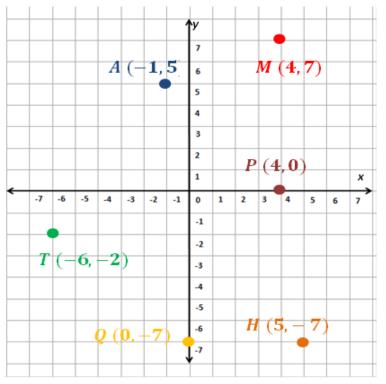
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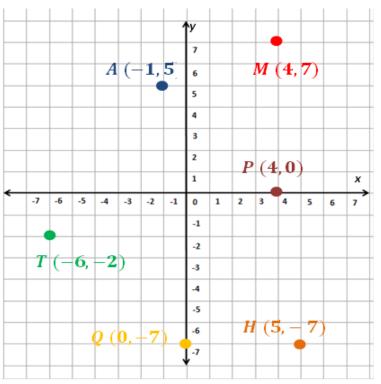
Example: Tell where the following points are located in the coordinate plane.

1. M (4, 7) Point M is located in Quadrant I because both the x and y coordinates are positive. **2.** A(-1, 5)Point A is located in Quadrant II because the x coordinate is negative and the y coordinate is positive.



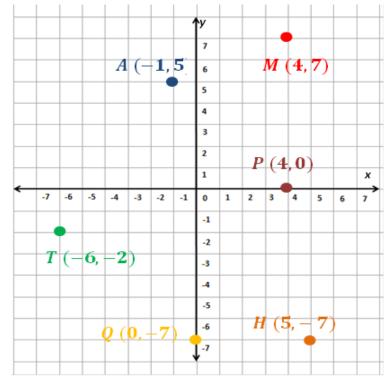
Example: Tell where the following points are located in the coordinate plane.

3. T(-6, -2)Point T is located in Quadrant III because the x coordinate and the y coordinate are both negative. 4. H(5, -7)Point H is located in Quadrant IV because the x coordinate is negative and the y coordinate is positive.



Example: Tell where the following points are located in the coordinate plane.

- **P** (4,0)
 Point P is on the x axis because the y coordinate is 0.
- 6. Q(0, -7)Point Q is on the y axis because the x coordinate is 0.



Sample Problem 3: Determine the location of the given points on the coordinate plane.

	Point	Location
1.	A (-1, 1)	
2.	B (-9, -4)	
3.	<i>C</i> (0, -12)	
4.	<i>E</i> (0,0)	
5.	$F(\frac{1}{3},-\frac{2}{3})$	
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Sample Problem 3: Determine the location of the given points on the coordinate plane.

	Point	Location
6.	G (-16, -2)	
7.	H (6, -18)	
8.	I (9,0)	
9.	J (22,23)	
10.	$K(-\frac{3}{4},\frac{5}{2})$	



Sample Problem 3: Solution

	Point	Location
1.	A (-1,1)	<mark>Solution:</mark> Quadrant II
2.	B (-9,-4)	Solution: Quadrant III
3.	C (0,-12)	Solution: y axis
4.	E (0,0)	<mark>Solution:</mark> Origin
5.	$F(\frac{1}{3},-\frac{2}{3})$	Solution: Quadrant IV

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7.	H (6, -18)	<mark>Solution:</mark> Quadrant IV
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9.	J (22,23)	<mark>Solution:</mark> Quadrant I
10.	$K(-\frac{3}{4},\frac{5}{2})$	Solution: Quadrant II

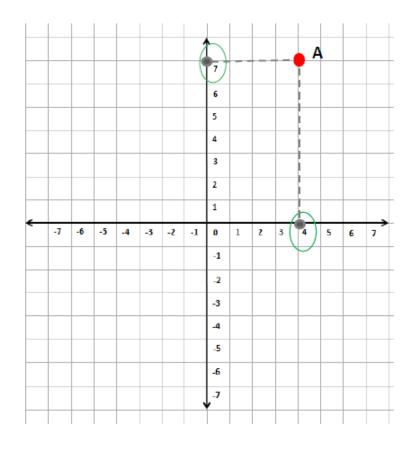
Naming Points in the Coordinate Plane

We follow specific rules in naming points in the coordinate plane. Remember that each point on the coordinate plane is determined by two rational numbers of the form (x, y), where x is the first coordinate and y is the second coordinate. So, we'll name it using the numbers on the x axis first, followed by the number on the y axis. Take a look at the points on the coordinate plane. What are the coordinates of the given points?

Naming Points in the Coordinate Plane

Let's start with **point A**.

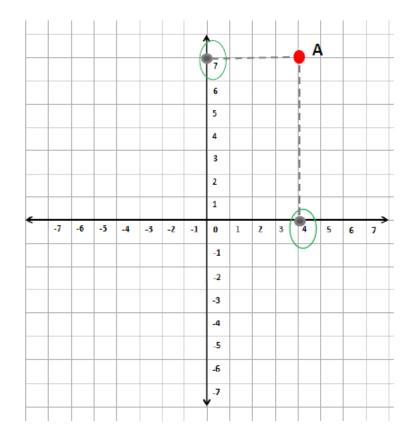
The x-coordinate of point A describes the point's position in relation to the x-axis. Drawing a line from the point to the x-axis, the x-coordinate of point A is 4.



Naming Points in the Coordinate Plane

The y-coordinate of point A describes the point's position in relation to the y-axis. Drawing a line from the point to the y-axis, the y-coordinate of point A is 7.

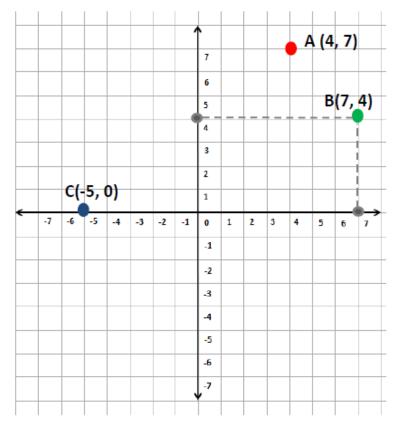
Since the **point** *A* is in Quadrant I, the coordinates of **point** *A* are both positive: **(4, 7)**.



Naming Points in the Coordinate Plane

Now, name the coordinates of **point B**.

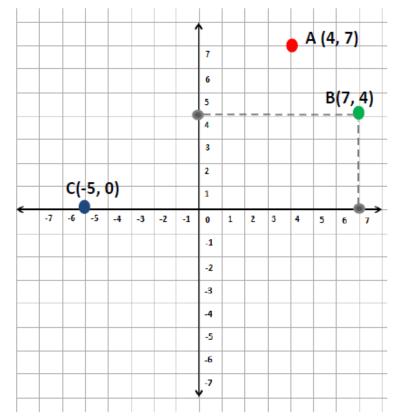
The x-coordinate of point B describes the point's position in relation to the x-axis. Drawing a line from the point to the x-axis, the x-coordinate of point B is 7.



Naming Points in the Coordinate Plane

The x-coordinate of point B describes the point's position in relation to the y-axis. Drawing a line from the point to the x-axis, the x-coordinate of point B is $\frac{4}{4}$.

Since the **point B** is in Quadrant I, the coordinates of **point B** are both positive: **(7, 4)**.



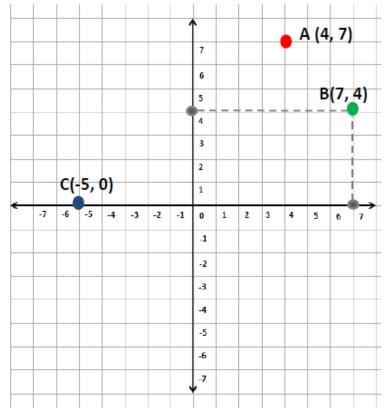
Naming Points in the Coordinate Plane

Name the coordinates of point C.

Here **point** C is 5 units from the yaxis and since **point** C is on the x-axis to the left of 0, the x-coordinate is -5.

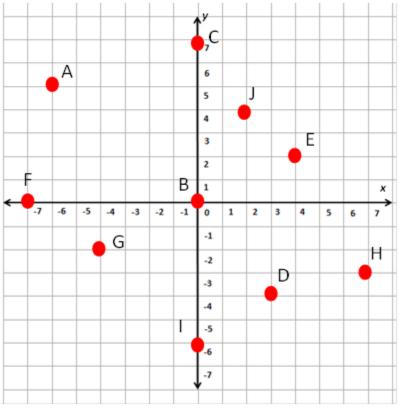
It follows that the distance of **point C** from the x-axis is 0 units; therefore the y-coordinate is 0.

Thus, the coordinates of point C is: (-5, 0).

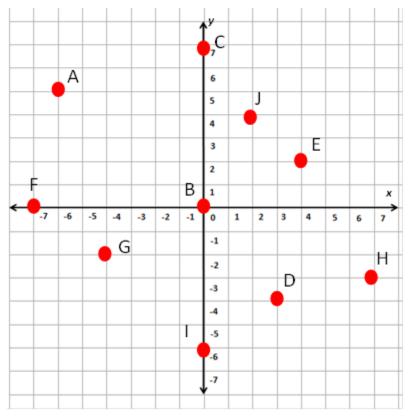


Sample Problem 4: Name the following points in the coordinate plane.

1.	Α	6.	F
2.	В	7.	G
3.	С	8.	Н
4.	D	9.	I
5.	E	10.	J



Sample Problem 4: Solution

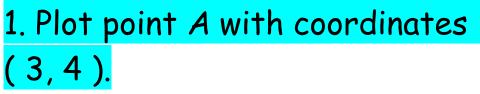


Plotting of Points on the Coordinate Plane

If points on the coordinate plane can be named, points can also be plotted or located in the plane using number pairs also called as their coordinates (x, y).

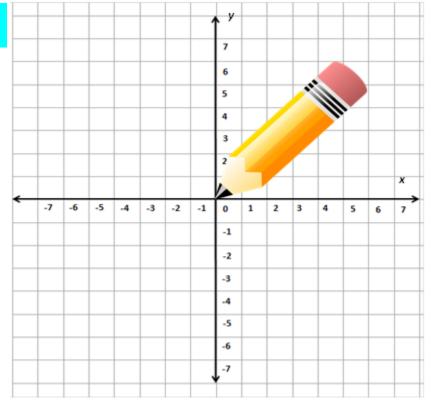
To locate a point in the coordinate plane, take note of the steps in each example.

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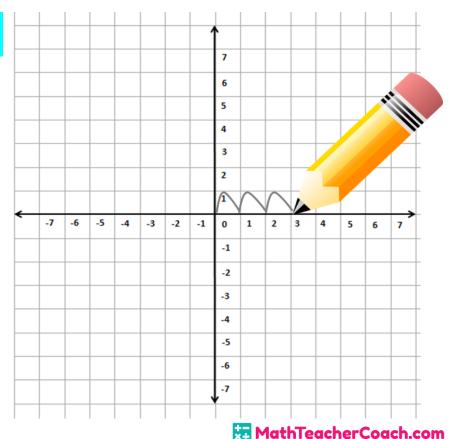
Since the x coordinate and the y coordinate are both positive, point A must be located in Quadrant I.

First, position your pen or pencil at the origin with coordinates (0, 0).



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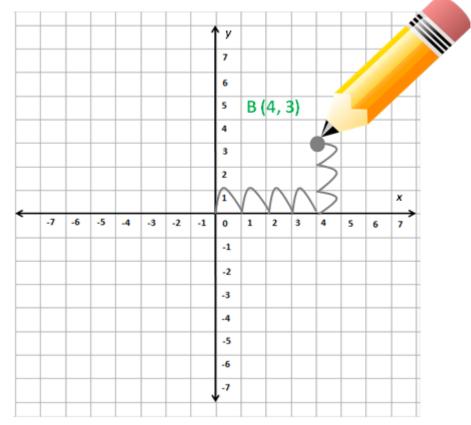
- 1. Plot point A with coordinates (3, 4).
- From that point, move 3 units to the right of zero, since the *x-coordinate* is positive 3.



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located in Quadrant I.

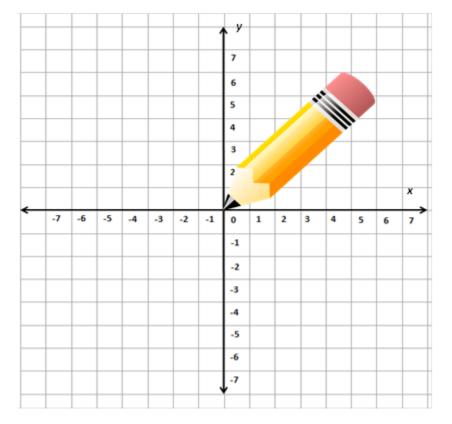
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positive, point B must be located in Quadrant I.

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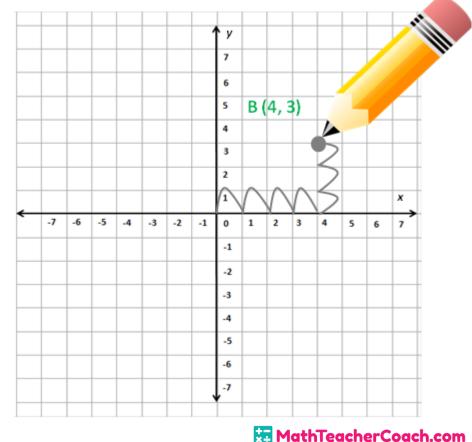


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2. Plot point **B** with coordinates (4, 3).

From that point, move 4 units to the right of zero, since the *xcoordinate* is positive 4.

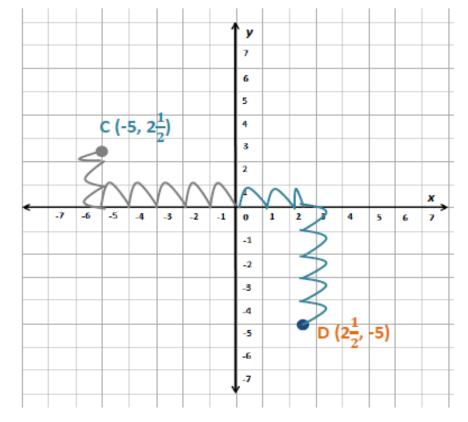
And from that point, move 3 units up, since the *y*-coordinate is positive 3. The point right there is where point B with coordinates (4, 3) must be.



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3. Plot point *C* with coordinates (-5,
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Since the *x-coordinate* is negative and the *ycoordinate* is positive, point C must be located in Quadrant II.

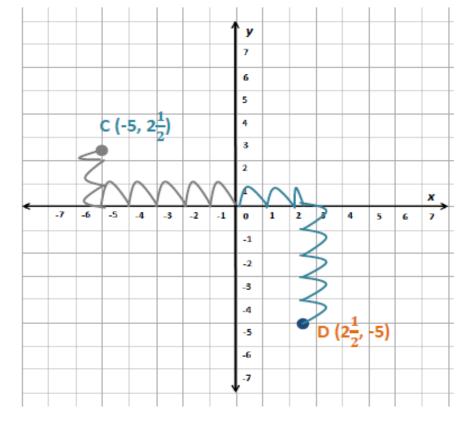


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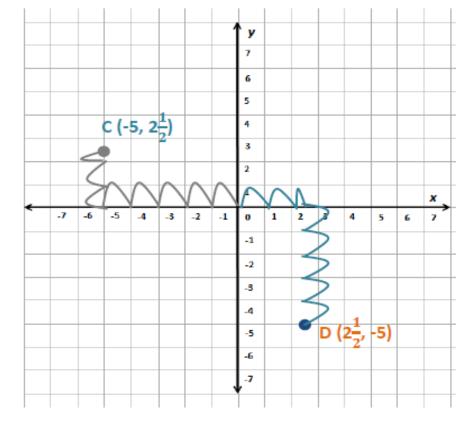
From the origin, move 5 units to the left of zero, since the *x-coordinate* is negative 5.

And from that point, move $2\frac{1}{2}$ units up, since the ycoordinate is positive $2\frac{1}{2}$.



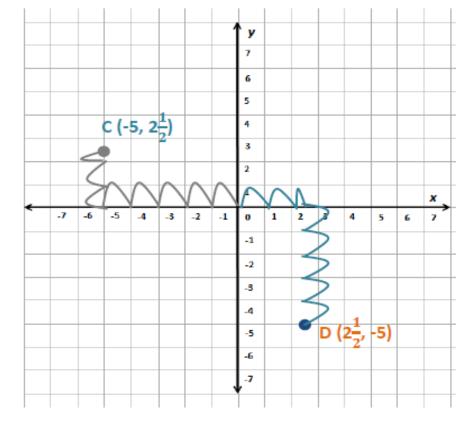
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Since the *x-coordinate* is positive and the *y-coordinate* is negative, point *D* must be located in Quadrant IV.



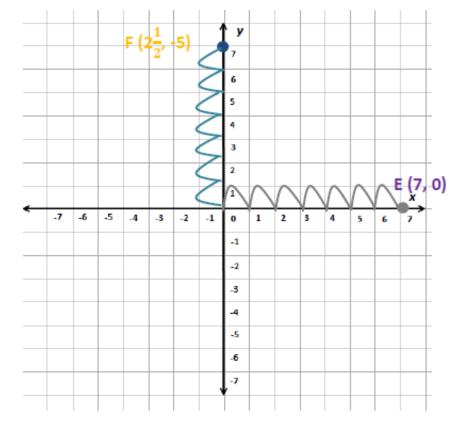
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From the origin, move $2\frac{1}{2}$ units to the right of zero, since the *x*-coordinate is positive $2\frac{1}{2}$.



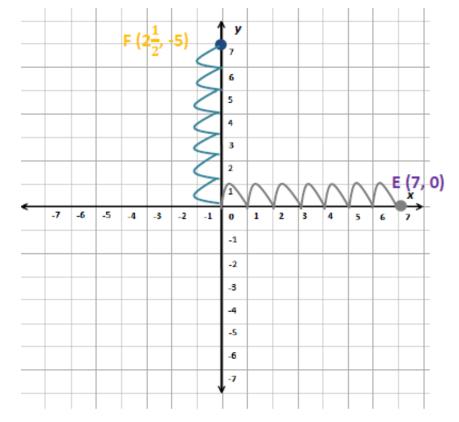
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From the origin, move 7 units to the right of zero, since the *x*-coordinate is positive 7.



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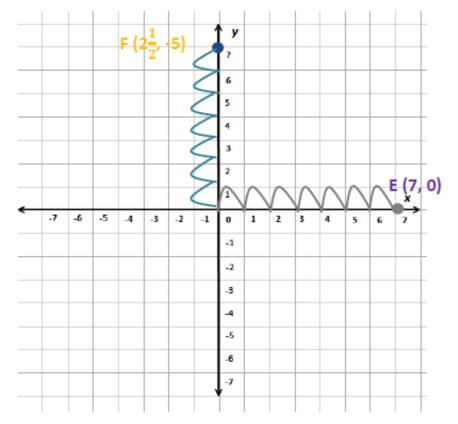
The point stays in that position since the ycoordinate is 0.



Plotting of Points on the Coordinate Plane

6. On the same coordinate plane; plot point *F* with coordinates (0, 7).

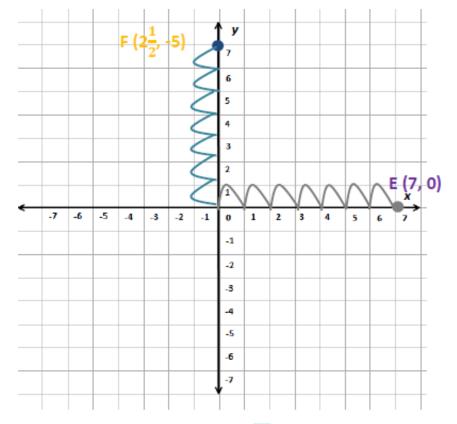
Since the *x-coordinate* is 0 and the *y-coordinate* is positive, point *F* must be located in the *y-axis*.



Plotting of Points on the Coordinate Plane

6. On the same coordinate plane; plot point **F** with coordinates (0,7).

From the origin, there should be no right or left movement since the *x*-coordinate is 0. Just continue moving 7 units up since the *y*-coordinate is positive 7.



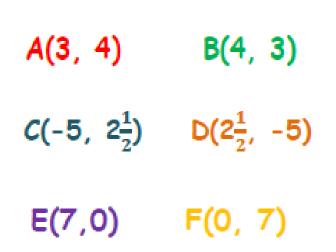
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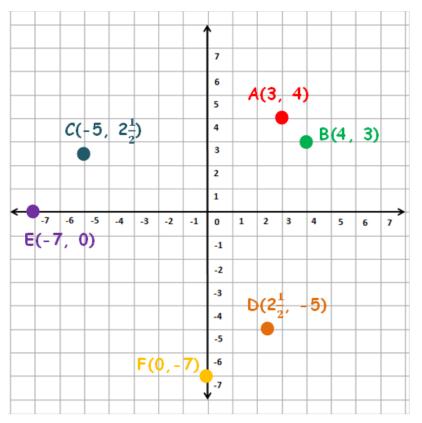
Now using the examples above, compare the location of the points on the coordinate plane. What have you observed?

A(3, 4) B(4, 3) C(-5, $2\frac{1}{2}$) D($2\frac{1}{2}$, -5) E(7,0) F(0, 7)



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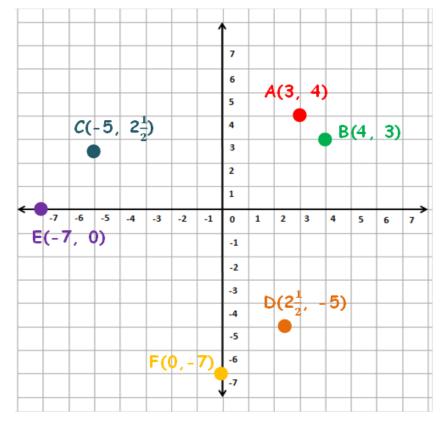




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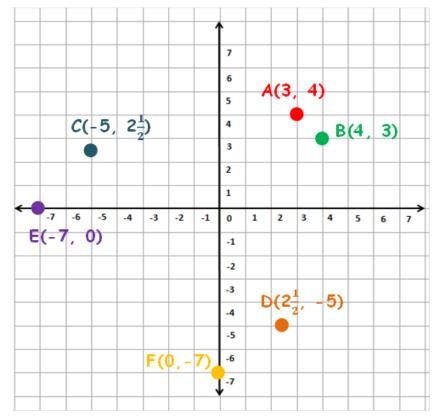
The order of numbers in the coordinates affects the location of the point on the coordinate plane.

Points A(3, 4) and B(4, 3)may have the same numbers in the parenthesis but will have different positions on the plane.



Plotting of Points on the Coordinate Plane

The same thing goes for points C(-5, $2\frac{1}{2}$) and D($2\frac{1}{2}$, -5), and E(7,0) and F(0, 7).



Sample Problem 5: Plot the following points on the coordinate plane.

- 1. A(0, 0) 4. $D(6\frac{1}{2}, 3)$
- 2. B(-2, 4) 5. E(4, 0)
- 3. C(4, -2) 6. F(0, -4)
 - 7. G(-5, -3)
 - 8. H(5, 3)

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Sample Problem 5: Solution

- 1. A(0, 0) 4. $D(6\frac{1}{2}, 3)$
- 2. B(-2, 4) 5. E(4, 0)
- 3. C(4, -2) 6. F(0, -4)
 - 7. G(-5, -3)
 - 8. H(5, 3)

9. I(5, -3)

