

Today is 11/6/17

Get out Note Packet, ruler and a calculator

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Agenda:

Brain teaser

Staircase Lab

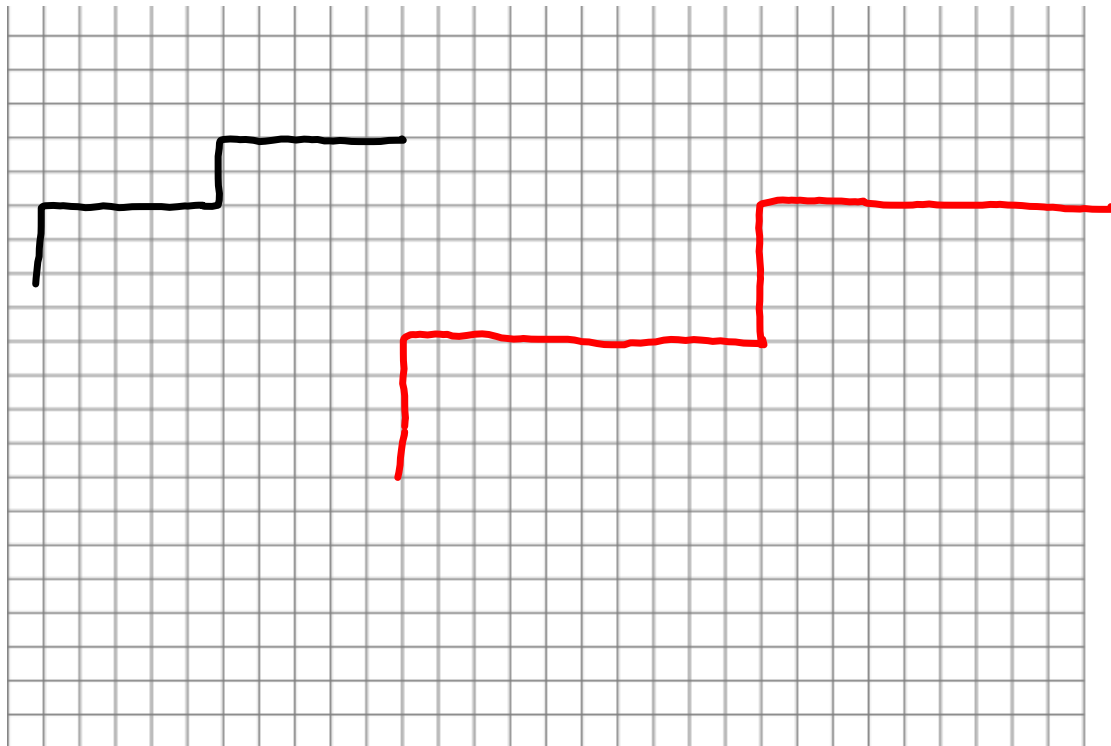
Test Tuesday

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Wednesday

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1. A carpenter is building a staircase. The slope of the staircase must be  $\frac{2}{5}$ . On graph paper, draw three examples of a staircase that has a slope of  $\frac{2}{5}$ .



2. Each step of the staircase is to have a 12" tread. Accurately draw this on the graph paper (scale: 1 unit = 1 inch). What is the vertical rise of each step of a 12" tread, for a slope of  $\frac{2}{5}$ ?

$$\frac{2}{5} = \frac{x}{12}$$
$$5x = \frac{24}{5}$$
$$x = \frac{24}{5}$$
$$x = 4.8''$$

3. Choose a method to quickly find the rise of a 12-inch tread for any slope ratio. Explain how the method works.

$$\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{tread}} = \frac{x}{12}$$

4. Use your method to find the rise that goes with a 12-inch tread, and a 10-inch tread for each slope ratio in the chart on the right.

Slope Ratio	Rise of a 12-inch tread	Rise of a 10-inch tread
$\frac{2}{5}$	4.8	4
$\frac{5}{8}$	7.5	6.25
$\frac{3}{4}$	9	7.5
$\frac{5}{6}$	10	8.3
$\frac{2}{2}$	12	10
$\frac{6}{5}$	14.4	12
$\frac{4}{3}$	16	13.3
$\frac{8}{5}$	19.2	16
$\frac{5}{2}$	30	25

$$\frac{2}{5} = \frac{x}{12}$$

$$\frac{2}{5} = \frac{x}{10}$$

$$\frac{5}{8} = \frac{x}{10}$$

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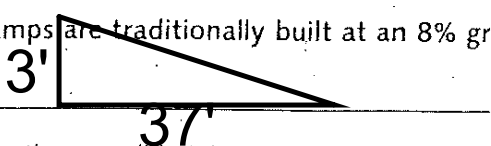
6. Why do you think slope is defined as "rise over run," instead of "run over rise?"

run/rise would show a smaller value representing a steeper slope

7. Find two staircases on your campus. Measure the attributes listed below and answer the questions.

	Staircase #1	Staircase #2
a) What are the measurements of the tread and the rise of each step of the staircase?	Tread: <u>10"</u> Rise: <u>7"</u>	Tread: <u>15"</u> Rise: <u>4"</u>
b) What is the slope of one step?	Slope of a Step: <u>7/10</u>	<u>4/15</u>
c) What are the overall height and length of the staircase?	Height: <u>84</u> Length: <u>120</u>	<u>48</u> <u>180</u>
d) What is the slope of the entire staircase? How does this compare to your answer in part (b)?	Entire Slope: <u>84/120</u>	<u>48/180</u>
e) What is the percent grade of your staircase?	Grade: <u>70</u> %	<u>27</u> %

Wheelchair ramps are traditionally built at an 8% grade. Investigate the grade of a ramp at your school

1. Ramp: 

a) What are the overall height and length of the ramp?

Height: 3' Length: 37'

b) What is the slope of the ramp?

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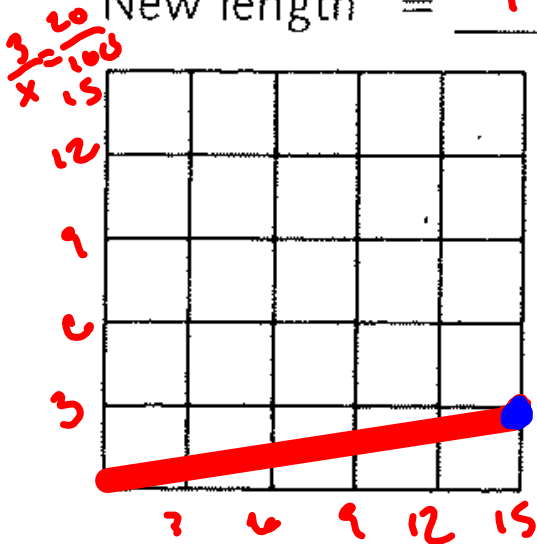
c) What is the percent grade of the ramp?

8%

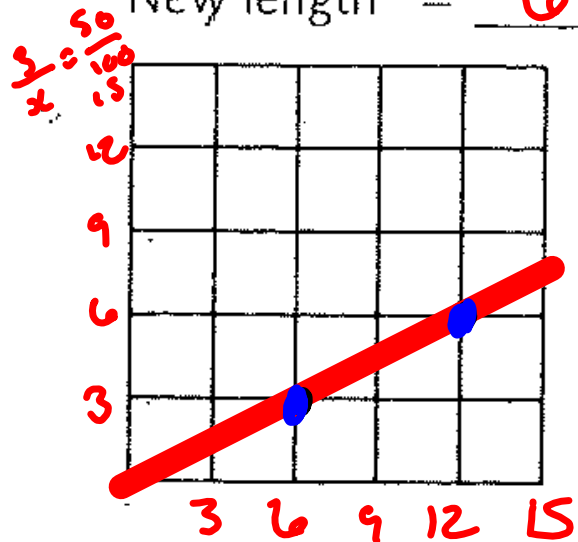
$$3 \div 37 = .081$$

2. For each percent grade below, find its corresponding slope and create a scale drawing to represent a ramp with that particular slope. Assume the ramp has the same height as the ramp that you measured the other day, and determine the new length for the given percent grade. Height of ramp: 3'

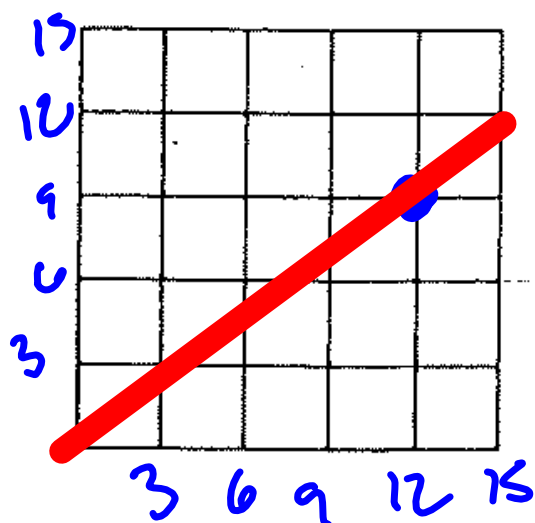
a) 20%, slope =  $\frac{3}{15}$   
 New length = 15



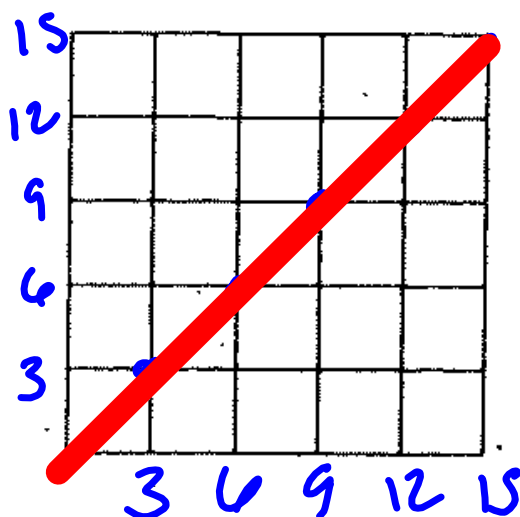
b) 50%, slope =  $\frac{3}{6}$   
 New length = 6



c) 75%, slope =  $\frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{12}$   
New length = 4



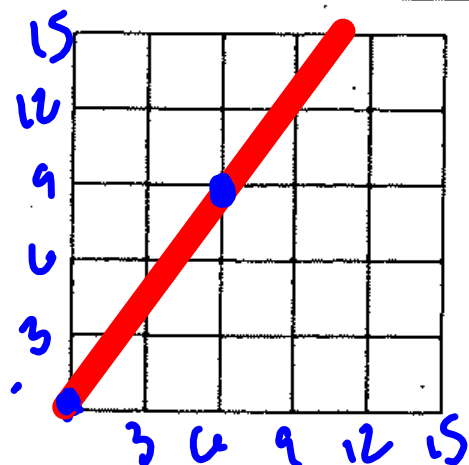
d) 100%, slope =  $\frac{3}{3}$   
New length = 3





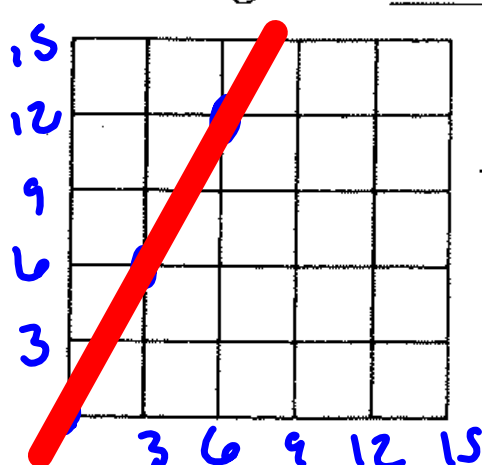
e) 150%, slope =  $\frac{3}{2} = \frac{1}{6}$

New length = 2



f) 200%, slope =  $\frac{3}{1.5} = \frac{2}{3}$

New length = 1.5



3. Choose the height of one of the staircases that you measured. Staircase # 1 Height: 84"  
What would be the horizontal length of a wheelchair ramp that has the same height as the staircase with a...

a) ...slope of  $\frac{5}{12}$ .

$$\frac{5}{12} = \frac{84}{x}$$
$$\frac{1008}{5} = \frac{5x}{5}$$
$$201.6 = x$$

b) ...percent grade of 8%.

$$\frac{8}{100} = \frac{84}{x}$$
$$\frac{8x}{100} = \frac{8400}{100}$$
$$x = 1050$$