

INTERPRETING GRAPHS

SITUATION	GRAPH
<p>Candice is a building manager for the Crowley Enterprise office building. One of her responsibilities is cleaning the office building's 200-gallon aquarium. For cleaning, she must remove the fish from the aquarium and drain the water. The water drains at a constant rate of 10 gallons per minute.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Independent quantity* Dependent quantity	
<p>You have had your eye on an upgraded smart phone. However, you currently do not have the money to purchase it. Your cousin will provide the funding, as long as you pay him interest. He tells you that you only need to pay \$1 in interest initially, and then the interest will double each week after that. You consider his offer and wonder: is this <i>really</i> a good deal?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Independent quantity* Dependent quantity	
<p>Andrew loves skiing — he just hates the ski lift ride back up to the top of the hill. For some reason the ski lift has been acting up today. The ski lift traveled up the mountain at a steady rate of about 83 feet per minute. Then all of a sudden it stopped and Andrew sat there waiting for 10 minutes! Finally the ski lift began to ascend up the mountain to the top.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Independent quantity* Dependent quantity	
<p>The Amazing Magician is practicing one of his tricks. As part of this trick, he cuts a rope into many pieces and then magically puts the pieces of rope back together. He begins the trick with a 20-foot rope and then cuts it in half. He then takes one of the halves and cuts that piece in half. He repeats this process until he is left with a piece so small he can no longer cut it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Independent quantity* Dependent quantity	

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Jill is a drum major for the Altadena High School marching band. She has been practicing for the band's halftime performance. For the finale, Jill tosses her baton in the air so that it reaches a maximum height of 22 feet. This gives her 2 seconds to twirl around twice and catch the baton when it comes back down.

- * Independent quantity

- * Dependent quantity

Jermaine loves music. He can lip sync almost any song at a moment's notice. He joined *Songs When I Want Them*, an online music store. By becoming a member, Jermaine can purchase just about any song he wants. Jermaine pays \$1 per song.

- * Independent quantity

- * Dependent quantity

On Monday morning, Myra began her 1.3-mile walk to school. After a few minutes of walking, she walked right into a spider's web — and Myra hates spiders! She began running until she ran into her friend Tanisha. She stopped and told Tanisha of her adventurous morning and the icky spider's web! Then they walked the rest of the way to school.

- * Independent quantity

- * Dependent quantity

Mr. Wright judges the annual Jelly Bean Challenge at the summer fair. Every year, he encourages the citizens in his town to guess the number of jelly beans in a jar. He keeps a record of everyone's guesses and the number of jelly beans that each person's was off by.

- * Independent quantity

- * Dependent quantity

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DIRECTIONS

- ✪ Cut out each graph below.
- ✪ Analyze each graph, match it to a scenario, and tape it next to the scenario it matches.
- ✪ For each graph, label the x - and y - axes with the appropriate quantity and unit of measure.
- ✪ Then, label the independent quantity and the dependent quantity.

