## Working in the Cartesian plane

## Keywords

I Quadrant: four quarters of the coordinate plane.
I Coordinate: a set of values that show an exact position.
I I Horizontal: a straight line from left to right (parallel to the xaxis)
Vertical: a straight line from top to bottom (parallel to the $y$ axis)
I Origin: $(0,0)$ on a graph. The point the two axes cross
I Paralle: Lines that never meet
I Gradient: The steepness of a line
I I Intercept: Where lines cross

Coordinates in four quadrants


Lines parallel to the axes

all the points on this line have
a x coordinate of 10

Lines parallel to the $y$ axis take the form $x=a$ and are vertical

Lines parallel to the $x$ axis take the form $y=a$ and are horizontal all the points on this line have eg $(3,-2)(7,-2)(-2,-2)$
a $y$ coordinate of -2 $\quad$ all lay on this line because the

## Recognise and use the line $y=x$


Examples of coordinates on this ine $(0,0)(-3,-3)(8,8)$
The axes scale is important - if the scale is the same $y=x$ will be a straight line at $45^{\circ}$

Direct Proportion ysing $y=k x$


Direct proportion graphs always start at $(0,0)$ as they are describing relationships between two variables
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## I Lines with negative gradients

Any straight-line graph with a negative $x$ value has a negative gradient.

Eg. $y=-2 x$ $y=-x \quad y+x=12$

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