

## Lesson #1: The Coordinate Plane

**Learning Goal:** We are learning how to use the coordinate grid system.

In this chapter and the next, we will learn a lot of new vocabulary. You need to become intimate with these words, so let's first define them, then draw/label them!

**Coordinate Plane**

- is a grid, made up of two number lines, which cross at their zeros

**Quadrants**

- the corners of the coordinate plane.

**x-axis**

- the horizontal line

**y-axis**

- the vertical line

**x-coordinate**

- the value/spot on the x-axis  
→ just a number

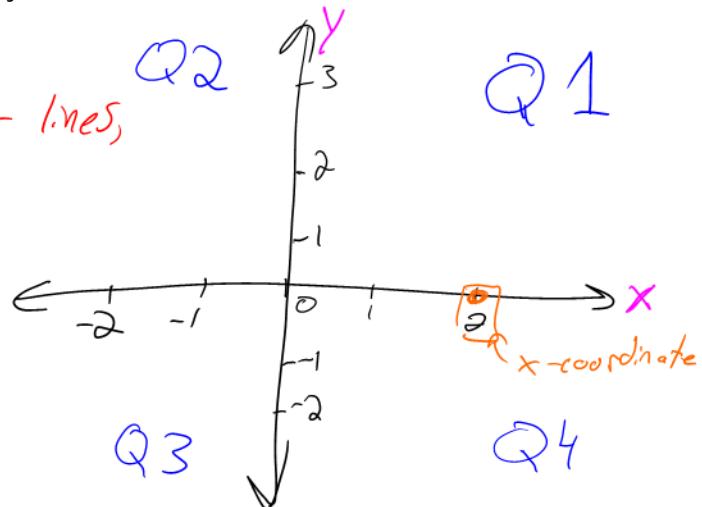
**y-coordinate**

- the value/spot/# on the y-axis

**Ordered Pair**

↳ two things

↳ there is a set way to write it.



the x and y coordinates paired together, written as

$(x, y)$

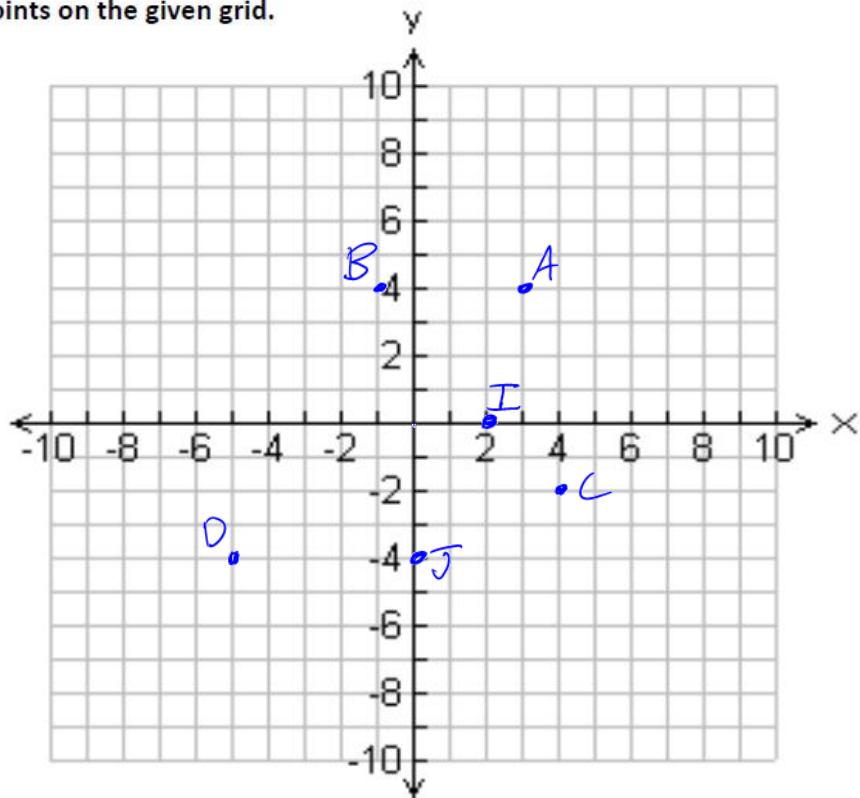
ex:  $(2, -3)$

**Origin**

- the ordered pair  $(0, 0)$

Example 1: Graph the following points on the given grid.

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|-----------|------------|
| A (3 , 4) | B (-1, 4)  |
| C (4, -2) | D (-5, -4) |
| E (2, 5)  | F (-3, -1) |
| G (-3, 7) | H (6, -2)  |
| I (2 , 0) | J (0 , -4) |



Example 2: Calculate the area of a triangle with vertices at A(-5,-3), B(3,-3), and C(3,8)

**Step 1:** Plot the points and connect the points to form a triangle

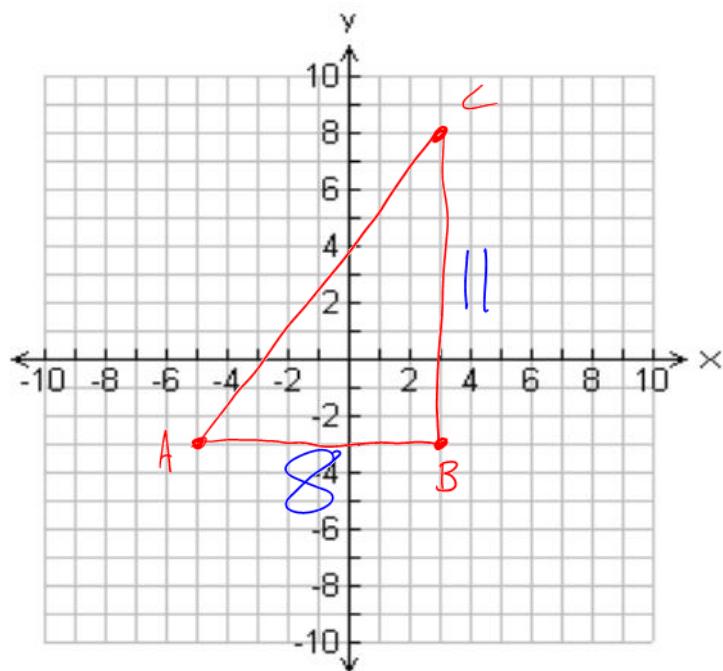
**Step 2:** Find the length of the base and height

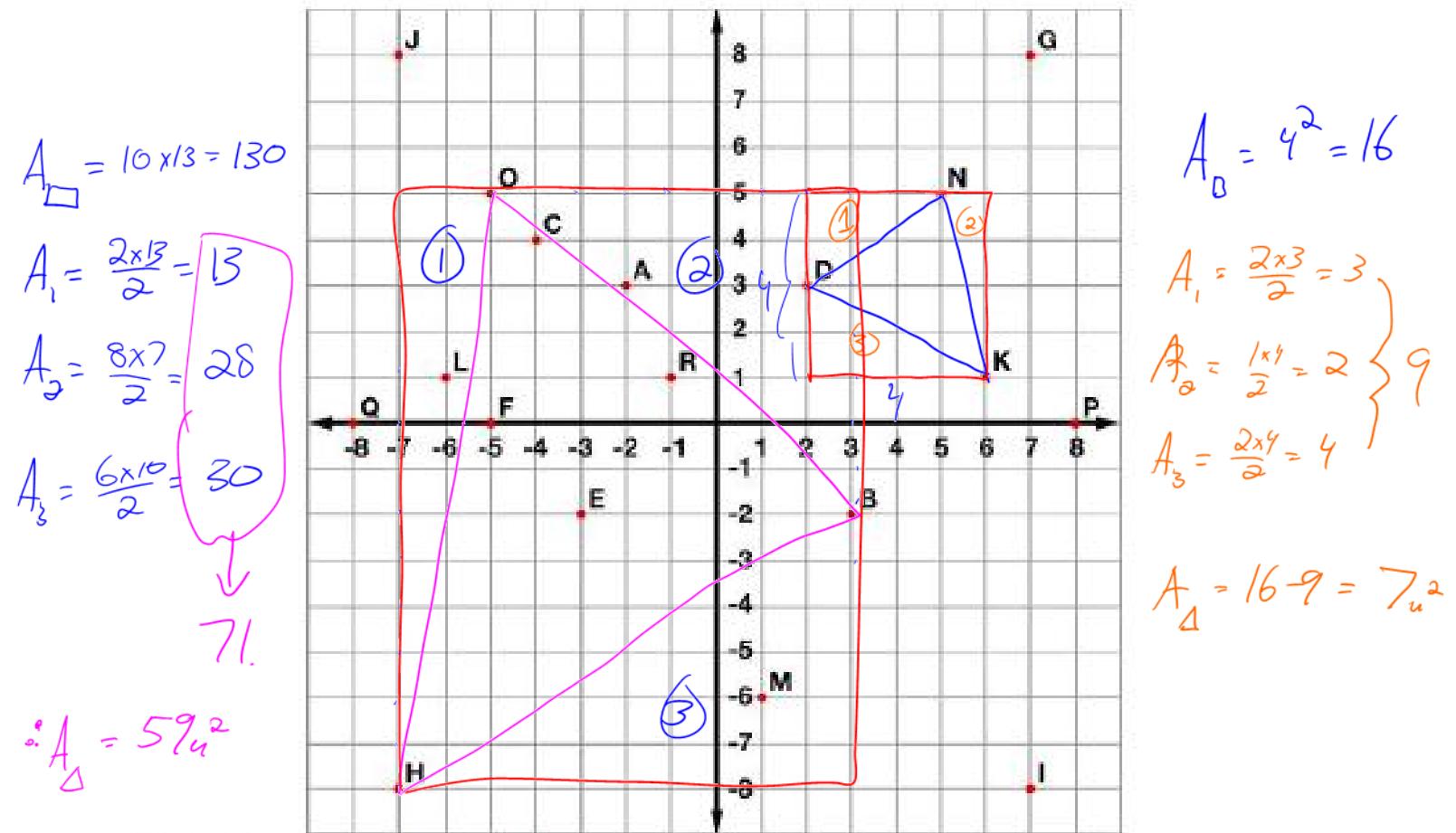
$$A = \frac{bh}{2}$$

$$A = \frac{8 \times 11}{2}$$

$$A = 44 \text{ units}^2$$

**Step 3:** Calculate the area





Tell what point is located at each ordered pair.

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|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1. $(3, -2)$ _____  | 2. $(2, 3)$ _____  | 3. $(-5, 5)$ _____ |
| 4. $(-7, -8)$ _____ | 5. $(-4, 4)$ _____ | 6. $(-5, 0)$ _____ |

Write the ordered pair for each given point.

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|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 7. E _____  | 8. M _____  | 9. P _____  |
| 10. G _____ | 11. Q _____ | 12. N _____ |

Plot the following points on the coordinate grid.

13. S  $(-6, -3)$       14. T  $(2, -4)$       15. U  $(5, 8)$

#### Success Criteria:

- I can define the important key terms that are used in the coordinate grid system
- I can tell the difference between the "x" and "y" coordinates in an ordered pair
- I can find an ordered pair on a coordinate grid