

1.5 Graphing a Function
Application
UNIT: TAXES & FUNDAMENTALS OF ALGEBRA

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# **APPLICATION:** Analyzing a Paycheck

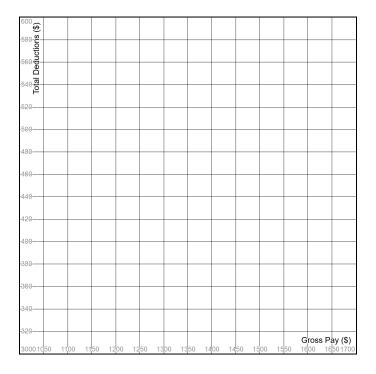
#### Level 1

Sabah was able to model her current voluntary deductions for retirement and health insurance using the function f(x) = 0.10x + 375 where x represents her gross income every two weeks. Sabah always makes at least \$500 in gross income during each two week pay period.

1. Create 5 ordered pairs by completing the table using Sabah's function.

х	f(x)
\$1125	
\$1250	
\$1300	
\$1575	
\$1600	

2. Graph your ordered pairs on the coordinate plane then draw a straight line through the points.



3.	If x represents Sabah's gross income every two weeks, what would the domain be?
4.	If $f(x)$ represents Sabah's total deductions, what would a reasonable range be? (Hint: Think about what would happen if she made her minimum amount of gross income)

### Level 2

Austin makes \$10 per hour working as a cashier at a bookstore. His employer requires him to work at least 10 hours per week and his current school schedule limits him to a maximum of 25 hours per week.

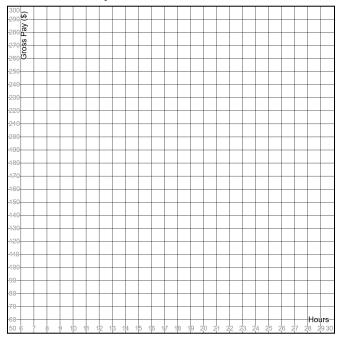
- 1. Write an equation that represents Austin's gross pay where x represents the number of hours he works per week and f(x) represents his gross pay.
- 2. What is the domain and range of this situation?

3. Create a list of 5 ordered pairs by completing the table below using your equation.

x	f(x)
10	
13	
16	
19	
25	

4. Explain what one of your ordered pairs means in the context of Austin's paycheck.

## 5. Graph your 5 points on the coordinate plane below.



## Level 3

Jerimiah is looking at his most recent paycheck. He knows that FICA taxes account for a 7.65% deduction in his gross pay. In addition, he has post-tax deductions for retirement and insurance premiums that total \$950.

1.	Write an equation that represents Jeremiah's paycheck after ONLY FICA taxes are deducted. Use $x$ to represent his gross salary and $f(x)$ to represent his paycheck after deductions.
2.	Expand your equation from part a to create an equation that represents Jerimah's paycheck after BOTH FICA taxes and post-tax deductions have been deducted.
3.	Use your equation to calculate Jerimiah's net pay after all deductions if he makes \$2,600 this pay period.
4.	Jeremiah calculates that if he works all of the hours that he is offered, he can earn a maximum gross pay of \$2,850 per pay period. His employer has also guaranteed him a minimum of \$1,500 per pay period. State the domain and range of your equation.

5. Generate a table of 5 ordered pairs using appropriate domain values then use those points to create a graph of Jeremiah's gross vs net pay. Be sure to include domain and range restrictions!

x	f(x)

