F.LE.B.5: Modeling Linear Functions

1 A car leaves Albany, NY, and travels west toward Buffalo, NY. The equation $D = 280 - 59t$ can be used to represent the distance, D, from Buffalo after t hours. In this equation, the 59 represents the
1) car's distance from Albany
2) speed of the car
3) distance between Buffalo and Albany
4) number of hours driving

2 When babysitting, Nicole charges an hourly rate and an additional charge for gas. She uses the function $C(h) = 6h + 5$ to determine how much to charge for babysitting. The constant term of this function represents
1) the additional charge for gas
2) the hourly rate Nicole charges
3) the number of hours Nicole babysits
4) the total Nicole earns from babysitting

3 A company that manufactures radios first pays a start-up cost, and then spends a certain amount of money to manufacture each radio. If the cost of manufacturing r radios is given by the function $c(r) = 5.25r + 125$, then the value 5.25 best represents
1) the start-up cost
2) the profit earned from the sale of one radio
3) the amount spent to manufacture each radio
4) the average number of radios manufactured

4 A landscaping company charges a set fee for a spring cleanup, plus an hourly labor rate. The total cost is modeled by the function $C(x) = 55x + 80$. In this function, what does the 55 represent?
1) the set fee for the cleanup
2) the hourly labor rate for a cleanup
3) the profit earned by the company for one cleanup
4) the number of hours of labor required for one cleanup

5 The owner of a small computer repair business has one employee, who is paid an hourly rate of $22. The owner estimates his weekly profit using the function $P(x) = 8600 - 22x$. In this function, x represents the number of
1) computers repaired per week
2) hours worked per week
3) customers served per week
4) days worked per week

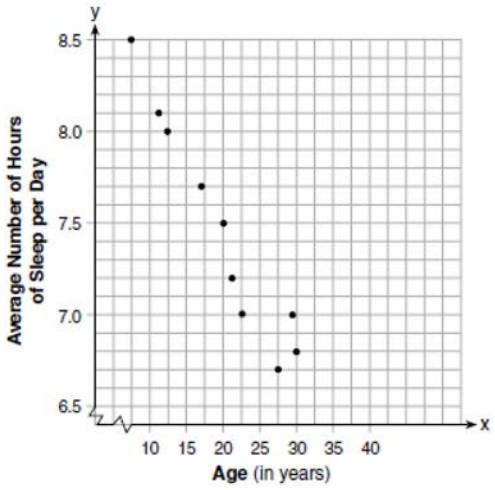
6 The amount Mike gets paid weekly can be represented by the expression $2.50a + 290$, where a is the number of cell phone accessories he sells that week. What is the constant term in this expression and what does it represent?
1) $2.50a$, the amount he is guaranteed to be paid each week
2) $2.50a$, the amount he earns when he sells a accessories
3) 290, the amount he is guaranteed to be paid each week
4) 290, the amount he earns when he sells a accessories

7 The amount of money a plumber charges is represented by the function $p(h) = 45 + 90h$. The best interpretation of the y-intercept of this function is that the plumber charges
1) $45 to come to the house
2) $45 per hour that he works
3) $90 to come to the house
4) $90 per hour that he works

8 The cost of airing a commercial on television is modeled by the function $C(n) = 110n + 900$, where n is the number of times the commercial is aired. Based on this model, which statement is true?

1) The commercial costs \$0 to produce and \$110 per airing up to \$900.
2) The commercial costs \$110 to produce and \$900 each time it is aired.
3) The commercial costs \$900 to produce and \$110 each time it is aired.
4) The commercial costs \$1010 to produce and can air an unlimited number of times.

9 A student plotted the data from a sleep study as shown in the graph below.



The student used the equation of the line $y = -0.09x + 9.24$ to model the data. What does the rate of change represent in terms of these data?

1) The average number of hours of sleep per day increases 0.09 hour per year of age.
2) The average number of hours of sleep per day decreases 0.09 hour per year of age.
3) The average number of hours of sleep per day increases 9.24 hours per year of age.
4) The average number of hours of sleep per day decreases 9.24 hours per year of age.

10 A satellite television company charges a one-time installation fee and a monthly service charge. The total cost is modeled by the function $y = 40 + 90x$. Which statement represents the meaning of each part of the function?

1) y is the total cost, x is the number of months of service, \$90 is the installation fee, and \$40 is the service charge per month.
2) y is the total cost, x is the number of months of service, \$40 is the installation fee, and \$90 is the service charge per month.
3) x is the total cost, y is the number of months of service, \$40 is the installation fee, and \$90 is the service charge per month.
4) x is the total cost, y is the number of months of service, \$90 is the installation fee, and \$40 is the service charge per month.

11 A plumber has a set fee for a house call and charges by the hour for repairs. The total cost of her services can be modeled by $c(t) = 125t + 95$. Which statements about this function are true?

I. A house call fee costs \$95.
II. The plumber charges \$125 per hour.
III. The number of hours the job takes is represented by t.

1) I and II, only
2) I and III, only
3) II and III, only
4) I, II, and III

12 The Speedy Jet Ski Rental Company charges an insurance fee and an hourly rental rate. The total cost is modeled by the function $R(x) = 30 + 40x$. Based on this model, which statements are true?

I. $R(x)$ represents the total cost.
II. x is the number of hours rented.
III. \$40 is the insurance fee.
IV. \$30 is the hourly rental rate.

1) I, only
2) I and II, only
3) I, III, and IV, only
4) I, II, III, and IV

13 Each day, a local dog shelter spends an average of \$2.40 on food per dog. The manager estimates the shelter's daily expenses, assuming there is at least one dog in the shelter, using the function $E(x) = 30 + 2.40x$. Which statements regarding the function $E(x)$ are correct?

I. x represents the number of dogs at the shelter per day.
II. x represents the number of volunteers at the shelter per day.
III. 30 represents the shelter's total expenses per day.
IV. 30 represents the shelter's nonfood expenses per day.

1) I and III
2) I and IV
3) II and III
4) II and IV

14 The cost of belonging to a gym can be modeled by $C(m) = 50m + 79.50$, where $C(m)$ is the total cost for m months of membership. State the meaning of the slope and y-intercept of this function with respect to the costs associated with the gym membership.

15 During a recent snowstorm in Red Hook, NY, Jaime noted that there were 4 inches of snow on the ground at 3:00 p.m., and there were 6 inches of snow on the ground at 7:00 p.m. If she were to graph these data, what does the slope of the line connecting these two points represent in the context of this problem?

16 The table below shows the height in feet, $h(t)$, of a hot-air balloon and the number of minutes, t, the balloon is in the air.

Time (min)	2	5	7	10	12
Height (ft)	64	168	222	318	369

The function $h(t) = 30.5t + 8.7$ can be used to model this data table. Explain the meaning of the slope in the context of the problem. Explain the meaning of the y-intercept in the context of the problem.

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Answer Section

1 ANS: 2 REF: 011709ai
2 ANS: 1 REF: 062421ai
3 ANS: 3 REF: 061407ai
4 ANS: 2 REF: 012505ai
5 ANS: 2 REF: 011501ai
6 ANS: 3 REF: 061817ai
7 ANS: 1 REF: 082412ai
8 ANS: 3 REF: 061501ai
9 ANS: 2 REF: 061704ai
10 ANS: 2 REF: 081402ai
11 ANS: 4 REF: 081709ai
12 ANS: 2 REF: 012403ai
13 ANS: 2 REF: 081817ai
14 ANS:
The slope represents the amount paid each month and the y-intercept represents the initial cost of membership.

REF: 011629ai
15 ANS:
There is 2 inches of snow every 4 hours.

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16 ANS:
The height of the balloon increases 30.5 ft per min. The balloon starts at a height of 8.7 ft.

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