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Study Guide and Intervention

Bar Graphs and Line Graphs

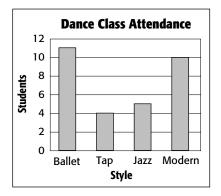
A graph is a visual way to display data. A bar graph is used to compare data.

A line graph is used to show how data changes over a period of time.

Example 1 Make a bar graph of the data. Compare the number of students in jazz class with the number in ballet class.

- **Step 1** Decide on the scale and interval.
- Step 2 Label the horizontal and vertical axes.
- **Step 3** Draw bars for each style.
- **Step 4** Label the graph with a title.

About twice as many students take ballet as take jazz.



Dance Classes			
Style	Students		
Ballet	11		
Tap	4		
Jazz	5		
Modern	10		

Example 2 Make a line graph of the data. Then describe the change in Gwen's allowance from 2003 to 2008.

Gwen's Allowance						
Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Amount (\$)	10	15	15	18	20	25

- **Step 1** Decide on the scale and interval.
- **Step 2** Label the horizontal and vertical axes.
- **Step 3** Draw and connect the points for each year.
- **Step 4** Label the graph with a title.

Gwen's allowance did not change from 2004 to 2005 and then increased from 2005 to 2008.

26 24 22 **9** 20 18 16 14 12 10 0

Gwen's Allowance

Exercises

Make the graph listed for each set of data.

1. bar graph

Riding the Bus				
Student	Time (min)			
Paulina	10			
Omar	40			
Ulari	20			
Jacob	15			
Amita	35			

2. line graph

Getting Ready for School			
Day	Time (min)		
Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	34 30 37 20 25		