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Graphing Stories Practice

1) An Airplane is descending to land at the airport. During its descent it had to fly in circles until the landing was cleared of other planes.

Explain what is occurring during each of the segments. Is the graph increasing, decreasing, or constant? What is the speed of the airplane during that period of time?

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\frac{y}{x} \frac{\text { feet }}{\min }
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| Line <br> Segmen <br> $t$ | Increasing <br> Decreasing <br> Constant? | Rate of <br> Change | Describe what is happening |
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| A | DECREASing | $\frac{-75}{3}=\frac{-25}{1}$ | The plane is descending at $25 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{min}$ |
| B | Constant | $\frac{0}{4}=0$ | The plane stays ata constant height <br> (does not ascend/descand) |
| C | DECREASInG $\frac{300}{2}=\frac{-150}{1}$ | The plane is descending at $150 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{min}$ |  |

2) John left his home and walked 3 blocks to his school, as shown in the accompanying graph.

What is one possible interpretation of the section of the graph from
 Point B to Point C?
(a) John arrived at school and stayed throughout the day.
(b) John waited before crossing a busy street.
(c) John returned home to get his mathematics homework.
(d) John reached the top of a hill and began walking on level ground.

## 3) Marie left her briefcase at home and had to return to get

 it. Which segment shows her returning to home? $\qquad$

Marie also had to wait at the railroad tracks for a train to pass. How long did she wait? $\qquad$
 How do you know? 5 minutes
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Match the story to the graph.
A.

A coach leaves the station at 10 am and reaches Gloucester station at 11.30 am . It stops here for half an hour. It then carries on for 30 minutes reaching Worcester 40 km later.
D.

A bus leaves school at 9am and gets to its destination at 10.30 am . The children look around the museum for an hour then return back to school.
The bus arrives back at midday.
B. $\quad$ C.

A cyclist rides downhill towards home for 15 minutes. At the bottom of the hill she stops for half an hour for a drink. She then continues uphill for the remaining 12 km .
E.

A toddler rides his bike toward the neighbor's house 10 meters away. He stops in their driveway to turn around then he rides back home. 2 m from home, he hits a bump and falls off his bike.

A car travels at a constant speed for 2 hours on the motorway. It stops at the service station for two hours, then travels in heavy traffic at for 30 km
F.

A man drives to his friend's house who lives 60 km away, stops for an hour then returns home in 2 hours.
10) What was Jon's speed between 50 and 70 seconds? $\frac{\text { meters }}{\sec }-\frac{60}{20}=\frac{-3}{1} \quad$ Jon walked 3 meters $/ \mathrm{sec}$.

What was Jon's speed between 100 and 120 seconds?

## O meters/sec.

How far from home was Jon after $\mathbf{3 0}$ seconds?
60 meters

Distance from home in meters

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