## Lesson 9-8

## Example 1 Identify a Relationship

Explain whether a scatter plot of the data for the minutes exercised and the corresponding heart rate might show a positive, negative, or no relationship.


As the number of minutes you exercise increases, the heart rate increases also. Therefore, the scatter plot shows a positive relationship.

## Example 2 Identify a Relationship

Explain whether a scatter plot of the data for the color car you drive and your age show a positive, negative, or no relationship.


Your age does not depend on the color of car you drive. Therefore, the scatter plot shows no relationship.

Example 3 Line of Fit
MOUNTAINS The air temperatures at various heights on a mountain are given. Make a scatter plot using the data. Then draw a line that best seems to represent the data.

| Mountain Height(feet) | 0 | 1,000 | 2,000 | 3,000 | 4,000 | 5,000 | 6,000 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Temperature $\left({ }^{\circ} \mathbf{F}\right)$ | 75 | 70 | 67 | 64 | 59 | 55 | 50 |

Graph each of the data points. Draw a line that best fits the data.


## Example 4 Line of Fit

Write an equation for this line of fit.
The line passes through the points at $(0,75)$ and $(4,59)$. Use these points to find the slope of the line.
$m=\frac{y_{2}-y_{1}}{x_{2}-x_{1}} \quad$ Definition of slope
$m=\frac{59-75}{4-0} \quad\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)=(0,75),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right)=(4,59)$
$m=\frac{-16}{4}$ or $-4 \quad$ The slope is -4 , and the $y$-intercept is 75 .

Use the slope and the $y$-intercept to write the equation.
$y=m x+b \quad$ Slope-intercept form
$y=-4 x+75 \quad$ The equation for the line of fit is $y=-4 x+75$.

## Example 5 Line of Fit

Use the equation to predict the temperature at a height of 7,000 feet.
$y=-4 x+75 \quad$ Equation for the line of fit
$y=-4(7)+75$ or 47 The temperature will be about $47^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$.

