# **Lab Framework**

**Text: Linear Equations Unit number and title:** 

Short Description: Students will calculate the cost of car insurance with and without good

grade discount.

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### **LOST IN TRANSLATION (Linear Equations)**

## **LAB PLAN**

TEACHER: Teacher Prep/Lesson Plan

Lab Objective	Determine the savings on car insurance
	with good student discount
Statement of pre-requisite skills needed	research, compare & contrast, linear
	equations, graphing, plotting
Vocabulary	linear, slope, plot, graph, variable,
Materials List	Car insurance quotes, graph
	paper, pencil, eraser
State Standards addressed	
Math:	7.2.B
Reading:	
Writing:	
	Peer evaluation, dispersement/collection of
Leadership Skills	material, group roles can include: grapher,
	equator, and plotter, nonverbal
	communication
SCAN Skills/Workplace Skills	
Set-up information	Collect samples of car insurance quotes with
	and without good student discount.
Lab organization	prepare samples of auto insurance plans for
	teen drivers□
Teacher Assessment of student learning	students accurately plug correct numbers
	into the equation y=mx+b,
Summary of learning	compare the difference in cost over time
	with/without good student discount.
Optional activities	research different discount programs online
	or over the phone. OR volunteers can ask
	their parents how much their insurance costs
	and the class can plot these costs
	(anonymously). Find class averages with/out

	good student discount.
Career Applications	Insurance, sales, marketing, accounting
Scoring	groups present to the class what they found.
	The grapher shows graph, equator shows
	equation, and plotter gives specifics about
	costs and timeline
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STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS:	Using samples of auto insurance plans,
	phone plans, and gas milage (either
	provided by teacher or researched by
	students), students are given a role to
	interpret the data as graphs, equations, or
	plots. Students will translate to the rest of
	the group, but they can only communicate in
	the "language" that they were assigned.
Statement of problem addressed by lab	How much money can be saved
	with different plans?
Grouping instructions and roles	GRAPHER - solves problems in
	graph form□EQUATOR - solves
	problem in equation □ PLOTTER -
	solves problem
	-Students form groups of 3. □ □-Each
	student is assigned a language that they will
	speak GRAPH, EQUATE, or PLOT.
	Students can only speak in that language.
	□ GRAPH student can only "speak" in
	graphs by showing his graph of insurance
	plan #1 to person at his right. $\Box$ -EQUATE
	can only speak in "slope-intercept" and give info for insurance rate #2 to the person on
Procedures	his right. $\square$ -PLOT can only speak in
	"coordinates" and pass info about insurance
	plan #3 to person on the right. $\Box$ -Students
	will exchange roles/languages and repeat
	this exercise 2 more times with cell phone
	plans and gas milages. Each person will
	have the opportunity to translate into
	GRAPHS, SLOPE-INTERCEPT, and
	PLOTS. □
Outcome instructions	10 1
Assessment instructions	Charts are complete and results

### **Lab Data Collection**

Student: FORMTEXT \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: FORMTEXT

Unit: FORMTEXT \_\_\_\_\_\_ Lab Title: FORMTEXT

Criteria: Write the problem/objective in statement form

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Data Collection: Record the collected/given data

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Calculations: Complete the given calculations to solve for an answer(s) FORMTEXT

Summary Statement: FORMTEXT

Other Assessment(s) FORMTEXT

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