

# Cartesian Plane

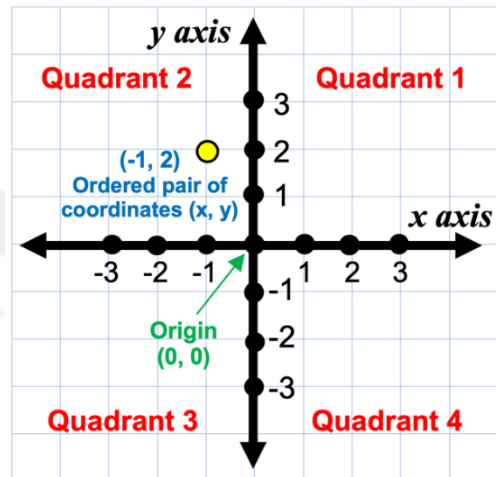
## What is the Cartesian Plane?

The **Cartesian coordinate system** is a way to describe the location of an object using two number lines.

The location or coordinates of an object in the plane is written as:  $(x, y)$

The values of  $x$  and  $y$  are measured from the origin which is at  $(0, 0)$ .

The **x-axis** runs horizontally.  
The **y-axis** runs vertically.  
Together, these two perpendicular axes form **four quadrants**.

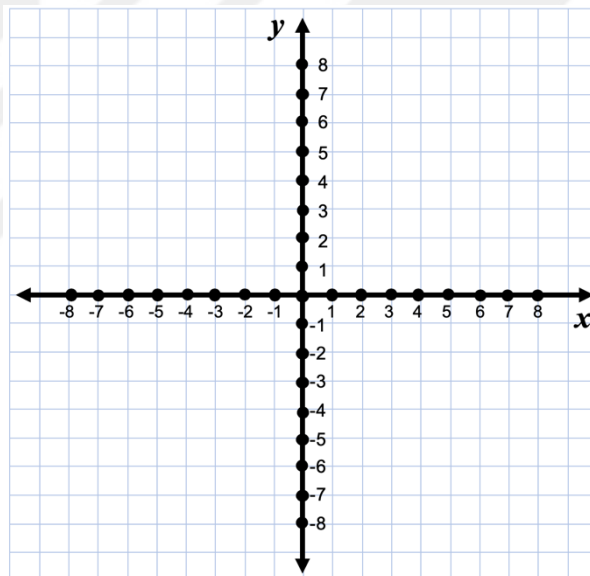


Both axes have positive and negative numbers.

**Instructions:** Answer the questions below.

**1** Plot the coordinates on the Cartesian plane below.

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|-----------|------------|
| $(8, 5)$  | $(2, -2)$  |
| $(5, -3)$ | $(-5, 8)$  |
| $(2, 4)$  | $(1, -1)$  |
| $(-7, 7)$ | $(4, 2)$   |
| $(-6, 3)$ | $(-3, -6)$ |
| $(3, 0)$  | $(7, -1)$  |





2 Write the coordinates of the points below.