## Interpreting Graphs

$\checkmark$ Why bother with graphs?
$\checkmark$ Line Graphs
$\checkmark$ Constructing Line Graphs
$\checkmark$ Bar Graphs
$\checkmark$ Pie charts
$\checkmark$ Scatter plots


## How to Interpret Graphs

## Ready for the test?



## Why are graphs useful?

Graphs are a quick way to $\qquad$
$\qquad$ -


Graphs provide a visual, as opposed to text.

## Why I use IMDB




## Types of Graphs

Line graphs- $\qquad$ .

Bar graphs- used to $\qquad$ .

Pie charts- used to compare values ( $\qquad$ ).
Scatter plots- used to show $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ among a $\qquad$ .

There are typically two variables that you "map out" when graphing.
-The $\qquad$ variable- what is being
$\qquad$ 1 $\qquad$
-The $\qquad$ (manipulated) variable- what is
$\qquad$ .

This is a simple line graph charting temperature. Temperature is labeled on the "y" axis and the dates (Jan 1-7) is labeled on the " $x$ " axis.


Average Daily Temperature for January 1-7 in Degrees Fahrenheit

During the first week of January, which day was the coldest? $\qquad$
What was the temperature on January7th? $\qquad$
Which day does the temperature peak?

The respondent variable is the $\qquad$ , the independent variable is $\qquad$ .

## Practice Constructing a Line Graph



| Data to graph: |
| :---: |
| Year 0-10 frogs |
| Year 5-20 frogs |
| Year 10-60 frogs |
| Year 15-120 frogs |
| Year 20-120 frogs |

Time or trials are always placed on the $x$-axis

The variable goes on the Y axis.

Your numbers MUST be evenly spaced for accuracy.

Bar Graphs are used to $\qquad$ values.


What is the most common shoe length? $\qquad$
What is the least common shoe length?
How many people have shoes that are 26 cm long? $\qquad$

Pie charts are also used to compare values (usually as a percentage but not always).


## IIME SPENT IN DISNEYAND

## What can you

 expect to spend most of your time doing at Disneyland?What can you expect to spend least of your time doing at Disneyland?


Roughly what percent of Federal spending does national defense account for?

Roughly what percent does our nation spend on education?


## Scatterplots are used to compare trends among




Husband's Age
What do each of the dots represent?
Approximately how old are husbands of 40 yo wives?
Approximately how old are wives of 70 yo hubsands?
MOST ages lie within which range? $\qquad$

For each scenario, choose which type of graph would be best to use (line, bar, pie, or scatter plot).

1. To show how eating vegetables over a 10 year period can lower cholesterol. $\qquad$
2. To compare the leg lengths and antennae lengths of crickets. $\qquad$
3. To analyze the relationship between hours studying for a test and test scores among students. $\qquad$
4. To show the percentages of students in class that are male vs. female $\qquad$ .
5. To compare the salaries of 4 different professions: teacher, veterinarian, software engineer, banker $\qquad$
