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2.6 Distance - Time Graphs

A distance - time graph shows an object's distance from a fixed point over a period of time.
Example 1: State which phrase best describes each segment of this distance time graph.

a) No Movement $C D$ horizontal line
b) Fastest Movement BC steepest line
c) Slowest Movement $A B$ least steep line d) Backward Movement $D E$ sloping down (because distance from starting point is decreasing)

Example 2: Given the following graphs in each one compare and contrast the start and finish of each person as well as their speed throughout the time period of the graph.


A:
SAME: 1 end
-both constant speed

B: SAME i. start - both constant speed

DIFFERENT: speeds

- end
- total distance

DIFFERENT:-start

- total distance
- speeds @ speed $^{\text {E }}=20 \mathrm{yd} / 4 \mathrm{~s}$

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\begin{aligned}
& =5 \mathrm{yd} / \mathrm{s} \\
\text { (b) } \text { speed } & =30 \mathrm{yd} / 4 \mathrm{~s} \\
& =7.5 \mathrm{yd} / \mathrm{s}
\end{aligned}
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SAME: both running at a constant speed
DIFFERENT:

- start
- end
- total distance
- speed

sAME: - start
- both constant speed

DIFFERENT:

- end distance
- speed

Example 3: Draw a distance - time graph for each situation
a) A student eaves home, walking at a constant speed. She slows down, and then stops for a few seconds to look in a store window. She turns around and walks back home at a decreasing speed
distance vs time


 speeding up


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b) A student leaves school at lunch walking at an increasing speed. He stows dow and talks to a friend, continues on to Tim Hortons, gets a coffee and then returns to school at a constant speed.


SUMMARY of Distance - Time Graphs:

- A rising line shows that the distance increases as time increases (moving away from starting point)
- A falling line shows a decrease in distance with time (moving toward starting point)
- A horizontal line shows that the distance
__ remains constant (no movement -stopped)
- Steeper lines mean faster movement slowing down

 speeding up


