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Let y represent the total number of miles Bianca can run in x minutes. We can write $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{5}{41}$, and $y = \frac{5}{41}x$.

b) The figure below represents Cynthia's constant rate of running.



Who runs faster? Explain.

Cynthia runs faster. The slope of the graph for Cynthia is $\frac{1}{7}$, and the slope or rate for Nicole is $\frac{5}{41}$. When you compare the slopes, you see that $\frac{1}{7} > \frac{5}{41}$.

2. a) Geoff can mow an entire lawn of 450 square feet in 30 minutes. Assuming he mows at a constant rate, write the linear equation that represents the situation.

Let y represent the total number of square feet Geoff can mow in x minutes. We can write $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{450}{30}$, and y = 15x.

b) The figure represents Mark's constant rate of mowing a lawn. Who mows faster? Explain.

Geoff mows faster. The slope of the graph for Mark is $\frac{14}{2} = 7$, and the slope or rate for Geoff is $\frac{450}{30} = 15$. When you compare the slopes, you see that 15 > 7.



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