The graphing that was started in earlier grades is now extended to include negative values, and students will graph algebraic equations with two variables. For addition information, see problem 3-122 in the Core Connections, Course 1 text.

## GRAPHING POINTS

Points on a coordinate graph are identified by two numbers in an ordered pair written as $(x, y)$.
The first number is the $x$-coordinate of the point and the second number is the $y$-coordinate.
Taken together, the two coordinates name exactly one point on the graph. The examples below show how to place a point on an $x y$-coordinate graph.

## Example 1

Graph point $A(2,-3)$.
Go right 2 units from the origin $(0,0)$, then go down 3 units. Mark the point.


## Example 2

Plot the point $C(-4,0)$ on a coordinate grid.
Go to the left from the origin 4 units, but do not go up or down. Mark the point.


## Problems

1. Name the coordinate pair for each point shown on the grid below.

2. Use the ordered pair to locate each point on a coordinate grid. Place a "dot" at each point and label it with its letter name.
$K(0,-4)$
$L(-5,0)$
$M(-2,-3)$
$N(-2,3)$
$O(2,-3)$
$P(-4,-6)$
$Q(4,-5)$
$R(-5,-4)$
$T(-1,-6)$


## Answers

1. $S(2,2)$
$T(-1,-6)$
$U(0,6)$
$V(1,-4)$
$W(-6,0)$
$Z(-5,3)$
2. 



