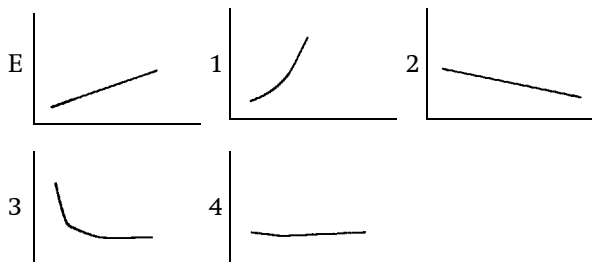


29.1

Complete the descriptions of the graphs. Use the words in the box.

go up gradually go up a lot stay the same
decreased gradually decreased a lot



Example:

Sales *went up gradually* last month

- 1 Sales
- 2
- 3
- 4

29.2

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb given.

Example:

Inflation *has gone* (go up) this year.

- 1 Salaries (stay) the same over the last few years.
- 2 Interest rates (increase) by 0.25% this month.
- 3 House prices (fall) by 2% in 2001.
- 4 Staffing costs (rise) by 3.5% last year.
- 5 The number of employees (increase) by 50 over the last five years.
- 6 Our market share (decrease) this year.
- 7 Productivity (rise) by 5% this month.
- 8 Borrowing (go down) last year.

29.3

Fill the gaps with one word. The first letter has been given to help you.

Example:

Hi, can we *meet* next Tuesday at 10 o'clock?

- 1 Would Monday at 2pm be c..... for a meeting?
- 2 Could you l..... me know by the end of the week?
- 3 Could we a..... a meeting for 10 on Wednesday?
- 4 Monday's f.....
- 5 Look f..... to seeing you.
- 6 Sorry I'm b..... on Tuesday.
- 7 I'm afraid I c..... I'm in Germany then.
- 8 Could we m..... it Thursday instead?