Examine the scatterplot below. Imagine that you drew a straight line through the general pattern of the points, keeping as close as possible to all points with as many points above the line as below.

1. Predict a possible $y$-intercept and slope for that line.
a. y-intercept: $\qquad$ Scatterplot for quality characteristic $X X X$
b. slope: $\qquad$
2. Sketch the line that you imagined for question \#1 and write an equation for that line.


Set
Topic: Estimating the correlation coefficient

## Match the scatterplot with its correlation coefficient.

$\qquad$
3.

$\qquad$
4.


Possible
Correlation Coefficients
a. 0.05
b. 0.97
c. -0.94
d. -0.49
e. 0.68
5.

6.

$\qquad$ 7.


Go
Topic: Visually comparing slopes of lines
Follow the prompt to sketch the graph of a line on the same grid with the given characteristics.
8. A larger slope

10. A larger $y$-intercept and a smaller slope

9. A smaller slope

11. Slope is the negative reciprocal


### 8.6 Making More \$ <br> A Solidify Understanding Task

Each year the U.S. Census Bureau provides income statistics for
 the United States. In the years from 1990 to 2005, they provided the data in the tables below. (All dollar amounts have been adjusted for the rate of inflation so that they are comparable from year-to-year.)

|  |  |
| ---: | ---: |
| Year | Median <br> Income for <br> All Men |
| 2005 | 41196 |
| 2004 | 41464 |
| 2003 | 40987 |
| 2002 | 40595 |
| 2001 | 41280 |
| 2000 | 41996 |
| 1999 | 42580 |
| 1998 | 42240 |
| 1997 | 40406 |
| 1996 | 38894 |
| 1995 | 38607 |
| 1994 | 38215 |
| 1993 | 37712 |
| 1992 | 37528 |
| 1991 | 38145 |

Data for Men

1. Use your calculator to create a scatterplot of the data for men.
2. Estimate the correlation coefficient, r , by looking at your graph.
3. Now, use your calculator to calculate the actual correlation coefficient, $r$, and the line of best fit.
4. What does the value of $r$ tell you about the years and the median income for men.
5. Interpret the slope in the context of the situation.
6. Interpret the y-intercept in the context of the situation.

| Year | Median <br> Income for <br> All Women |
| ---: | ---: |
| 2005 | 23970 |
| 2004 | 23989 |
| 2003 | 24065 |
| 2002 | 23710 |
| 2001 | 23564 |
| 2000 | 23551 |
| 1999 | 22977 |
| 1998 | 22403 |
| 1997 | 21759 |
| 1996 | 20957 |
| 1995 | 20253 |
| 1994 | 19158 |
| 1993 | 18751 |
| 1992 | 18725 |
| 1991 | 18649 |

1. Use your calculator to create a scatterplot of the data for women.
2. Estimate the correlation coefficient, r, by looking at your graph.
3. Now, use your calculator to calculate the actual correlation coefficient, $r$, and the line of best fit.
4. What does the value of $r$ tell you about the years and the median income for women.
5. Interpret the slope in the context of the situation.
6. Interpret the y-intercept in the context of the situation.

Comparing the Data

1. Compare the correlation coefficient, r , found in the data for men and women. Explain what it tells you.
2. Compare the slopes, found in the data for men and women. Explain what it tells you.
3. Compare the $y$-intercepts, found in the data for men and women. Explain what it tells you.
