

Helpful Reminders for drawing Tables and Graphs

1. Always use a sharp pencil and a ruler
2. Your independent variable is always in the first column in your table and is always on the vertical axis of your graph
3. Do not forget to give both your table and graph a heading – table to show can be swapped for graph to show – you can use the same heading for your table and your graph as long as it includes your independent and dependent variables to describe what's in your table and what's in your graph.
4. Do not forget your units – in the column headings for tables and along the axis for a graph.
5. Do not forget to label your axis
6. Use as simple a scale as you can for your graph
7. When you are choosing a graph –
 - if you have words and numbers you need to draw a bar graph
 - if you have numbers and numbers you need to draw a line graph