

TOP TEN RULES FOR MAKING A HAND DRAWN GRAPH

10. The graph should have a proper descriptive title.
9. Each axis is labeled with a variable and units (in parentheses)
8. Scales are appropriate for range of data
7. Scales increase uniformly
6. Choose grid intervals that are easy to divide
5. Independent variable is on X-axis and Dependent variable is on Y-axis (In most cases)
4. Use a straight edge or ruler on all straight lines.
3. Make a mathematical curve that best fits the data, straight line, parabola, hyperbola, etc. (Make a best fit line or curve.)
2. Measure slopes of straight lines from two points on the best fit lines, NOT from individual data points!

And the number 1 rule for making a hand drawn graph is.....

PUT IT ON GRAPH PAPER!!