

LESSON

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Reading Charts and Graphs

WORDS TO KNOW

Chart a visual aid that combines art and text to show information. Charts may present data in columns and rows, or they may use boxes.

Graph a visual aid that shows how two or more things relate

Review It!

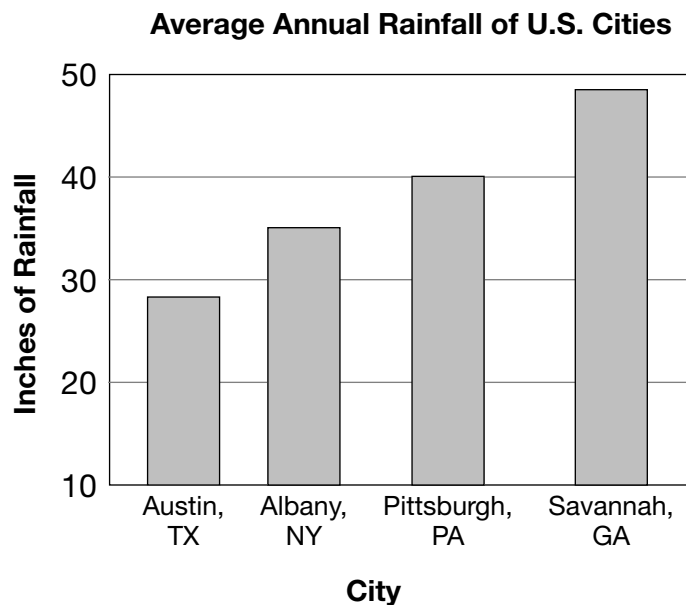
Read this chart. Use the Hint to help you figure out what time the train arrives at Smith Street.

Train Schedule	
Station	Arrival Time
Mill Avenue	9:45 AM
Smith Street	10:15 AM
Ridge Road	10:58 AM

Hint The main headings appear at the top of the columns. Look down the first column to find the station name. Then read across the row to find the time.

Try It!

Read this bar graph. As you read, underline the title of the graph and circle the headings along the side and bottom.



Now, use the bar graph to answer the questions on the following page.

1. Approximately how much rainfall does Albany receive each year?

A. 35 inches	C. 40 inches
B. 30 inches	D. 48 inches

2. Approximately how many more inches of rainfall does Pittsburgh receive each year than Albany does?

A. 5 inches	C. 2 inches
B. 10 inches	D. 20 inches

3. Approximately how many more inches of rainfall does Savannah receive each year than Pittsburgh does?

A. 5	C. 10
B. 20	D. 8

4. Which city receives the most annual rainfall?

A. Albany	C. Pittsburgh
B. Austin	D. Savannah

In Your Own Words

5. Use the information on the graph to write a sentence about the cities with the most and least rainfall.



1.
How high does the bar for Albany reach on the graph?

2.
How does the length of the bar for Pittsburgh compare with the bar for Albany?

5.
Which city has the longest bar on the graph? About how much annual rainfall does that city receive?
Which city has the shortest bar? About how much annual rainfall does it receive?