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1. The first way to do this is by finding the equation of the line and inputting the x-value of 4:

$$\frac{y-3}{x-2} = \frac{8-3}{8-2}$$

$$\frac{y-3}{x-2} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$6y-18 = 5x-10$$

$$6y = 5x+8$$

$$y = \frac{5}{6}x + \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{When } x=4, y=4.66$$

$$\therefore a = 4.66$$

The second way, which is equivalent to the first, is by using the fact that slope of a straight line is a constant:

$$\frac{8-a}{8-4} = \frac{8-3}{8-2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{8-a}{4} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$\therefore 8-a = 10 \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\therefore a = 8 - 3.33$$

$$\therefore a = 4.66$$

The third way to do this would be to use similar triangles, which is the same as the second way.

2. Finding the equation:

$$\frac{y-8}{x-5} = \frac{13-8}{16-5}$$

$$\frac{y-8}{x-5} = \frac{5}{11}$$

$$\therefore 11y-88 = 5x-25$$

$$\therefore 11y = 5x+63$$

$$\therefore 11y - 63 = 5x$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{11}{5} - \frac{123}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{When } y=10, x=9.4 \Rightarrow b=9.4.$$

Using the slope:

$$\frac{10-8}{b-5} = \frac{13-8}{16-5}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2}{b-5} = \frac{5}{11}$$

$$\therefore \frac{22}{5} = b-5$$

$$\therefore b=9.4.$$

3a) For all of the following problems, I will only use the second method.

$$\therefore \frac{63-37}{8.9-4.1} = \frac{c-37}{7.3-4.1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{26}{4.8} = \frac{c-37}{3.2}$$

$$\therefore c-37 = \frac{26 \cdot 3.2}{4.8}$$

$$\therefore c = 54.33$$

$$b) \frac{47.5-42}{d-15.05} = \frac{56-42}{17.55-15.05}$$

$$\frac{5.5}{d-15.05} = \frac{14}{2.5}$$

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$$\therefore \frac{5.5 \times 2.5}{14} = d-15.05$$

$$\therefore d = 16.03$$

$$c) \frac{e-20}{12-8} = \frac{20-1}{8-17}$$

$$\frac{e-20}{4} = \frac{19}{-9}$$

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$$\therefore e-20 = -\frac{74}{9}$$

$$\therefore e = 8.22 + 20$$

$$\therefore e = 28.22$$