## Chapter 1 Ratios and Proportional Reasoning

Lesson 1-7 Constant Rate of Change
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1 Find the constant rate of change for the table.

| Time (s) | Distance (m) |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 6 |
| 2 | 12 |
| 3 | 18 |
| 4 | 24 |

Find the unit rate to find the constant rate of change.

$$
\frac{\text { change in meters }}{\text { changein sec onds }}=\frac{6 \mathrm{~m}}{1 \mathrm{~s}}
$$

So, the constant rate of change is 6 meters per second.

The graph shows the cost of purchasing T-shirts. Find the constant rate of change for the graph. Then explain what points $(0,0)$ and $(1,9)$ represent.

Find the constant rate of change from the graph.
$\frac{\text { change in cost }}{\text { change in number of } \mathrm{T}-\text { shirts }}=\frac{9-0}{1-0}=\frac{9}{1}$
So, the constant rate of change is $\$ 9$ per T-shirt;
The point $(0,0)$ represents 0 T -shirts purchased and 0 dollars spent. The point $(1,9)$ represents 9 dollars spent for 1 T-shirt.

