

# 4 TAKS PREPARATION



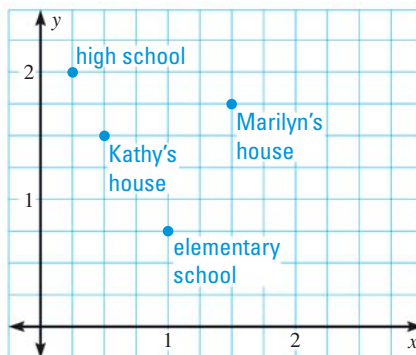
TAKS Obj. 6  
TEKS 8.7.D

## REVIEWING COORDINATE PLANE PROBLEMS

Some problems require you to identify the  $x$ - and  $y$ -coordinates of a point on a coordinate plane. Be sure to consider the scale on each axis.

### EXAMPLE

Marilyn made a map of her neighborhood for a school project. She put a grid over the map. Which coordinate point best represents her house?



### Solution

The scale is 0.25 unit per grid line on both axes. Reading down to the  $x$ -axis from the point for Marilyn's house, you can see that the  $x$ -coordinate is 1.5. Reading across to the  $y$ -axis, you can see that the  $y$ -coordinate is 1.75. The coordinates of the point that represent Marilyn's house are  $(1.5, 1.75)$ .

## COORDINATE PLANE PROBLEMS ON TAKS

Below are examples of coordinate plane problems in multiple choice format. Try solving the problems before looking at the solutions. (Cover the solutions with a piece of paper.) Then check your solutions against the ones given.

1. On the map above, which coordinate point best represents Kathy's house?  
**A**  $(0.25, 1.75)$   
**B**  $(0.5, 1.5)$   
**C**  $(0.5, 1.75)$   
**D**  $(1.5, 0.5)$

### Solution

Reading down the  $x$ -axis from the point for Kathy's house, you can see that the  $x$ -coordinate is 0.5. Reading across to the  $y$ -axis, you can see that the  $y$ -coordinate is 1.5. The coordinates are  $(0.5, 1.5)$ .

The correct answer is B.

**(A)**      **(B)**      **(C)**      **(D)**