## Smarter Balanced Assessment Item Illustrating 8.SP.A. 3

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The scatter plot shows the relationship between the number of sweatshirts sold and the temperature outside.


The $y$-intercept of the estimated line of best fit is at ( $0, b$ ). Enter the approximate value of the $b$ in the first response box.

Enter the approximate slope of the estimated line of best fit in the second response box.

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\begin{aligned}
& y \text {-intercept } \\
& \text { slope }
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$y$-intercept—any value from 240 to 250 ; slope—any value from -3 to -4

## Elaboration on Alignment

The estimated line of best fit connects the work of SP to the EE and F domains. This item also supports the major work of 8.F.4, which requires students to interpret the rate of change and initial value of a linear function in relation to the situation it models and its graph. Other items assessing 8.SP.A. 3 should attend to the interpretation of the slope and intercept, which is a part of the standard but not addressed in this item.

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