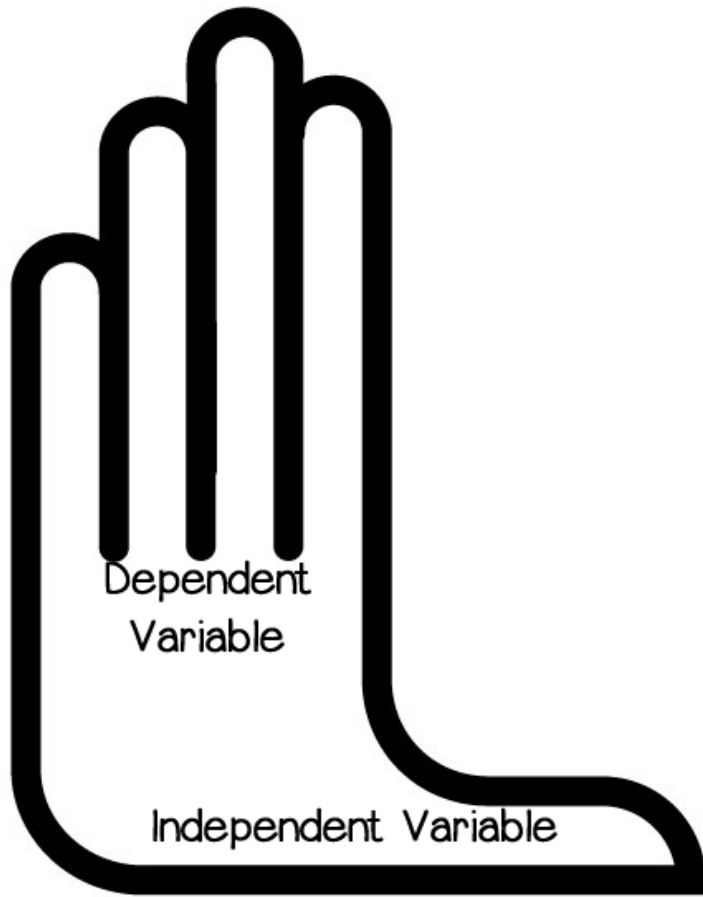


A Handy Way to Remember Variables



Hold your left hand up, thumb out to the side.

Your thumb represents the **INDEPENDENT VARIABLE** –
It is by itself (independent)
You stick your thumb out “on purpose”

Your fingers represent the ***DEPENDENT VARIABLE*** –
They depend on the independent variable
(the thumb)

Use this to remember where variables go on a graph

The **INDEPENDENT VARIABLE** is plotted on the X-AXIS (Horizontal line)

The **DEPENDENT VARIABLE** is plotted on the Y-AXIS (Vertical line)

