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**Penny’s Savings**

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Yes, the number of quarters seems to be going up in a steady rate of change.

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The slope is 27; this means that each month, Penny increases the number of

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NEXT = Now + 27; starting at 158

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y = 27x + 158

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There were 158 quarters in the jar when her grandmother gave her the jar.

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Penny would have 2012 quarters on her 18th birthday.