

Algebra 2: Semester 2 Practice Final "Unofficial" Worked-Out Solutions by Earl Whitney

1. The key to this problem is recognizing cubes as factors in the radicands.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 8\sqrt[3]{27} + \sqrt[3]{40} - 6\sqrt[3]{135} \\
 &= 8 \cdot \sqrt[3]{27} + \sqrt[3]{8} \cdot \sqrt[3]{5} - 6 \cdot \sqrt[3]{27} \cdot \sqrt[3]{5} \\
 &= 8 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{5} - 6 \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{5} \\
 &= 24 + 2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{5} - 18 \cdot \sqrt[3]{5} \\
 &= 24 - 16\sqrt[3]{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Answer A

Cubes

$$\begin{aligned}
 1^3 &= 1 \\
 2^3 &= 8 \\
 3^3 &= 27 \\
 4^3 &= 64 \\
 5^3 &= 125 \\
 6^3 &= 216 \\
 7^3 &= 343 \\
 8^3 &= 512 \\
 9^3 &= 729
 \end{aligned}$$

2. The key to this problem is recognizing that $64 = 4^3$.

$$\frac{4^{2/3} \cdot 64^{2/3}}{4^{4/3}} = \frac{4^{2/3} \cdot (4^3)^{2/3}}{4^{4/3}} = \frac{4^{2/3} \cdot 4^2}{4^{4/3}} = 4^{\left(\frac{2}{3} + 2 - \frac{4}{3}\right)} = 4^{1\frac{1}{3}} = 4^1 \cdot 4^{\frac{1}{3}} = 4 \cdot \sqrt[3]{4}$$

Answer D

3. Divide the exponents under the radical by 4 (the root) to get a new expression.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sqrt[4]{625 x^{48} y^{36} z^{72}} &= \sqrt[4]{625} \cdot x^{48/4} \cdot y^{36/4} \cdot z^{72/4} \\
 &= 5 x^{12} y^9 z^{18}
 \end{aligned}$$

Answer C

4th Powers

$$\begin{aligned}
 1^4 &= 1 \\
 2^4 &= 16 \\
 3^4 &= 81 \\
 4^4 &= 256 \\
 5^4 &= 625
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Make sure to rationalize the denominator.

$$\frac{\sqrt[3]{c^5} \cdot \sqrt[3]{c^4}}{\sqrt[3]{c^{10}}} = c^{5/3} \cdot c^{4/3} \cdot c^{-10/3} = c^{5/3 + 4/3 - 10/3} = c^{-1/3} = \frac{1}{c^{1/3}}$$

Now, we need an integer exponent in the denominator, so:

$$\frac{1}{c^{1/3}} \cdot \frac{c^{2/3}}{c^{2/3}} = \frac{c^{2/3}}{c} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{c^2}}{c}$$

Answer A

5. Addition and subtraction of polynomials can be performed in columns. To subtract, change the signs of the polynomial being subtracted and add.

Addition	Subtraction
$\begin{array}{r} 5x^2 + 6x - 4 \\ 3x^2 - 5x + 24 \\ \hline 8x^2 + x + 20 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 5x^2 + 6x - 4 \\ -3x^2 + 5x - 24 \\ \hline 2x^2 + 11x - 28 \end{array}$

Answer A

6. When thinking about composite functions, consider each function as a mechanism that takes an input and does something to it. In this problem:
- $g(x) = 5x$, so if you give something to g , it will multiply it by 5 and give you the result.
 - $h(x) = 3x + 8$, so if you give something to h , it will multiply it by 3, add 8, and give you the result.

Given this, we get:

$$g(h(x)) = 5 \cdot (3x + 8) = 15x + 40$$

$$h(g(x)) = (3 \cdot (5x) + 8) = 15x + 8$$

Answer B

7. To find an inverse of a function, switch the x and y variables and solve for the new y .

Starting function: $y = -7x + 6$

Switch x and y : $x = -7y + 6$

Subtract 6 from each side: $-6 \quad -6$

$$\begin{array}{r} x - 6 = -7y \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Divide each side by -7 : $\div -7 \quad \div -7$

$$\frac{-x+6}{7} = y$$

Answer B

8. Starting function: $y = x^2 + 5$
- Switch x and y : $x = y^2 + 5$
- Subtract 5 from each side: $-5 \quad -5$
- Take a square root of each side: $\sqrt{x - 5} = y$

Answer A

Notice that we do not get $y = \pm\sqrt{x - 5}$ as our result. The reason for this is that the question requires that the result be a function, and the " \pm " means the result is not a function (it would have two y -values for each x -value).

9. Isolate the radical, then square both sides of the equation.

Starting equation:	$\sqrt{5x + 9} - 10 = 12$
Add 10 to each side:	$\phantom{\sqrt{5x + 9}} + 10 \quad + 10$
	$\sqrt{5x + 9} = 22$
Square both sides:	$5x + 9 = 484$
Subtract 9 from each side:	$ - 9 \quad - 9$
	$5x = 475$
Divide each side by 5:	$\div 5 \quad \div 5$
	$x = 95$

Answer A

10. This problem has no solution because a square root cannot have a negative value.

Answer D

11. There are two parts to this problem. We must solve the inequality, but also we must make sure the expression under the radical is positive.

Part 1: Solve the radical

Original inequality:	$\sqrt{10x + 14} > 22$
Square both sides:	$10x + 14 > 484$
Subtract 14 from each side:	$ - 14 \quad - 14$
	$10x > 470$
Divide each side by 10:	$\div 10 \quad \div 10$
	$x > 47$

Part 2: Check under the radical

Need radicand to be ≥ 0 :	$10x + 14 \geq 0$
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Note above that $10x + 14 > 484$, so $10x + 14$ will also be > 0 . Therefore, the solution is what we obtained in Part 1: $x > 47$.

Answer D

12. There are two parts to this problem. We must solve the inequality, but also we must make sure the expression under the radical is positive.

Part 1: Solve the radical

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Original inequality:} \quad \sqrt{2x-3} + 1 \leq 7 \\
 \text{Subtract 1 from each side:} \quad \quad \quad -1 \quad -1 \\
 \hline
 \sqrt{2x-3} \leq 6 \\
 \text{Square both sides:} \quad \quad \quad 2x-3 \leq 36 \\
 \text{Add 3 to each side:} \quad \quad \quad +3 \quad +3 \\
 \hline
 2x \leq 39 \\
 \text{Divide each side by 2:} \quad \quad \quad \div 2 \quad \div 2 \\
 \hline
 x \leq \frac{39}{2}
 \end{array}$$

Part 2: Check under the radical

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Need radicand to be } \geq 0: \quad \quad \quad 2x-3 \geq 0 \\
 \text{Add 3 to each side:} \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad +3 \quad +3 \\
 \hline
 2x \geq 3 \\
 \text{Divide each side by 2:} \quad \quad \quad \div 2 \quad \div 2 \\
 \hline
 x \geq \frac{3}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{3}{2} \leq x
 \end{array}$$

We must combine the two results to get the final answer.

$$\frac{3}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{39}{2}$$

Answer D

13. The domain is all values of x that can produce a value of y . We must make sure the expression under the radical is positive or zero (≥ 0).

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Need radicand to be } \geq 0: \quad \quad \quad x-3 \geq 0 \\
 \text{Add 3 to each side:} \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad +3 \quad +3 \\
 \hline
 x \geq 3 \quad \text{is the domain}
 \end{array}$$

The range is all values of y that can be produced by values of x . The smallest value that $\sqrt{x-3}$ can have is zero, and it can have any value greater than that. Then:

$$g(x) = 6 + \sqrt{x-3} \geq 6 + 0 = 6 \quad \text{so} \quad g(x) \geq 6 \quad \text{is the range}$$

Answer B

14. The function requires $x \geq -5$ in order to have a positive radicand, so the function starts on the left at $x = -5$. There is no "as $x \rightarrow -\infty$ ".

The end behavior will be on the right, as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Then, notice that as x increases without end, $\sqrt{x+5}$ also increases without end. So,

$$\text{as } x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$$

Answer D

15. Any function of the form: $y = a \cdot \sqrt[n]{x-h} + k$ (with n being any **even** positive integer) will have a vertex at (h, k) .

For this equation, $h = 3$ and $k = 0$, so the vertex must be at $(3, 0)$.

Answer A

16. Any function of the form: $y = a \cdot \sqrt[n]{x-h} + k$ (with n being any **odd** positive integer) will have an inflection point at (h, k) . An *inflection point* is a point that looks like the center of the curve (in higher level mathematics, it is defined as a point where the slope of the curve changes from increasing to decreasing or from decreasing to increasing).

For this equation, $h = 0$ and $k = 0$, so the inflection point is at $(0, 0)$. Translating the graph 2 units up and 5 units left resets the inflection point at $(-5, 2)$.

Answer A

17. The domain is all values of x that can produce a value of y . In exponential functions, the **domain** is generally **all real numbers**.

The exponential term, 2^x is always greater than zero, and can be any value above zero. So,

$$y = 2^x + 1 > 0 + 1 = 1 \quad \text{so } \mathbf{y > 1 \text{ is the range}}$$

Answer A

18. In logarithmic functions, the **range** is generally **all real numbers**.

The argument of the logarithm, $(x - 2)$ must be greater than zero, and can be any value above zero (*you can only take logs of positive numbers*). So,

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Need argument to be } > 0: & x - 2 > 0 \\ \text{Add 3 to each side:} & +2 \quad +2 \end{array}$$

$$x > 2 \quad \text{is the domain}$$

Answer D

19. Each term in this problem can be simplified; then, the results can be added. You may need to calculate powers of 3 and 5 to see what values the logarithms have.

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_3 243 + \ln(e^{10}) - \log_5 625 \\ &= \log_3(3^5) + \ln(e^{10}) - \log_5(5^4) \\ &= 5 + 10 - 4 = 11 \end{aligned}$$

Answer C

20. $\log 36 - \textcircled{5} \log 4 + \log 20 = \log\left(\frac{36 \cdot 20}{4^5}\right) = \log\left(\frac{720}{1,024}\right) = \log\left(\frac{45}{64}\right)$

exponent

“-“ indicates term goes in denominator “+“ indicates term goes in numerator

Answer C

21. $\textcircled{3} \cdot \ln a + \textcircled{2} \cdot \ln b - \textcircled{4} \cdot \ln c = \ln\left(\frac{a^3 b^2}{c^4}\right)$

exponents

“+“ indicates term goes in numerator “-“ indicates term goes in denominator

Answer A

22. When the base of the exponentiation and the base of the logarithm are the same, they cancel each other out.

$$8^{\log_8 5} = 5$$

Answer C

23. To solve exponential equations, take a logarithm of each side. The problem is solved below twice, once using \ln and once using \log . The answers are the same. You can use either.

Original equation:	$11^x = 247$	$11^x = 247$
Take \ln or \log of each side:	$x \cdot \ln 11 = \ln 247$	$x \cdot \log 11 = \log 247$
Divide by the multiplier of x :	$x = \frac{\ln 247}{\ln 11}$	$x = \frac{\log 247}{\log 11}$
Calculate:	$x = \frac{5.51}{2.40} = 2.30$	$x = \frac{2.39}{1.04} = 2.30$

Answer B

24. This problem can be solved in two different ways, and we will look at both.

Method 1: Exponents Only Method

Original problem:	$4^{5x} = 64^{x+8}$
Convert 64 to 4^3 :	$4^{5x} = (4^3)^{x+8}$
Multiply exponents:	$4^{5x} = 4^{3x+24}$
Exponents must be equal:	$5x = 3x + 24$
Subtract $3x$ from each side:	$\begin{array}{r} -3x \quad -3x \\ \hline 2x = \quad 24 \end{array}$
Divide each side by 2:	$\begin{array}{r} \div 2 \quad \div 2 \\ \hline x = \quad 12 \end{array}$

Answer D

Method 2: Logarithm Method

Original problem:	$4^{5x} = 64^{x+8}$
Take \log_4 of each side:	$5x = (x + 8) \cdot \log_4 64$
$\log_4 64 = 3$:	$5x = (x + 8) \cdot 3$
Multiply:	$5x = 3x + 24$
Subtract $3x$ from each side:	$\begin{array}{r} -3x \quad -3x \\ \hline 2x = \quad 24 \end{array}$
Divide each side by 2:	$\begin{array}{r} \div 2 \quad \div 2 \\ \hline x = \quad 12 \end{array}$

25. Condense the expression on the right, then set the arguments equal.

Original equation:	$\log_7(2x + 9) = \log_7 x + \log_7(x + 10)$
Condense expression on right:	$\log_7(2x + 9) = \log_7[x(x + 10)]$
Arguments must be equal:	$2x + 9 = x^2 + 10x$
Add $-2x - 9$ to each side:	$\begin{array}{r} -2x - 9 = \quad -2x - 9 \\ \hline 0 = x^2 + 8x - 9 \end{array}$
Factor:	$0 = (x + 9)(x - 1)$
Interim Solutions:	$x = \{-9, 1\}$
Test Solutions:	<p>-9 does not work because $\log_7(-9)$ does not exist.</p> <p>1 works ✓ $\log_7(2 \cdot 1 + 9) = \log_7(1) + \log_7(1 + 10)$</p>
Final Solution: $x = 1$	Answer C

26. Condense the expression on the left, then exponentiate both sides.

Original equation: $\log_8(x - 12) + \log_8 x = 2$

Condense expression on left: $\log_8[x(x - 12)] = 2$

Take 8 to the power of each side: $x(x - 12) = 8^2$

Multiply: $x^2 - 12x = 64$

Subtract 64 from each side: $x^2 - 12x - 64 = 64 - 64$

$$x^2 - 12x - 64 = 0$$

Factor: $(x + 4)(x - 16) = 0$

Interim Solutions: $x = \{-4, 16\}$

Test Solutions: -4 does not work because $\log_8(-4)$ does not exist.

16 works ✓ $\log_8(16 - 12) + \log_8 16 = 2$

Final Solution: $x = 16$

Answer C

27. Values of the variables:

➤ Compounding is quarterly, so $n = 4$

➤ $r = 7\% = .07$

➤ $t = 7$ years

➤ $P = \$7,500$

$$A = \$7,500 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{.07}{4}\right)^{4 \cdot 7} = \$12,190.60$$

Answer B

28. Values of the variables:

➤ Compounding is annual, so $n = 1$

➤ $r = 5\% = .05$

➤ $A = \$8,750$

➤ $P = \$5,000$

Starting Equation: $\$8,750 = \$5,000 \cdot (1 + .05)^t$

Divide both sides by \$5,000: $\div \$5,000 \quad \div \$5,000$

$$1.75 = (1 + .05)^t$$

Take a log of both sides: $0.243 = t \cdot \log 1.05$

Calculate $\log 1.05 = 0.0211$: $0.243 = t \cdot 0.0211$

Divide by 0.0211: $\div 0.0211 \quad \div 0.0211$

$$11.47 = t$$

Answer B

29. Values of the variables:

- Compounding is continuous
- $r = 5\% = .05$
- $t = 5$ years
- $P = \$5,000$

$$A = \$5,000 \cdot e^{(.05) \cdot 5} = \$5,000 \cdot e^{0.25} = \$6,420.13$$

Answer B

30. Values of the variables:

- Compounding is continuous
- $r = 7\% = .07$
- $A = \$7,700$
- $P = \$7,000$

Starting Equation:	$\$7,700 = \$7,000 \cdot e^{(.07) \cdot t}$
Divide both sides by \$7,000:	$\div \$7,000 \quad \div \$7,000$

$$1.10 = e^{(.07) \cdot t}$$

Take the natural log of both sides:	$0.0953 = .07 t$
Divide by .07:	$\div .07 \quad \div .07$

$$1.36 = t$$

Answer C

31. To get values omitted from the domain and range, consider the asymptotes.

A vertical asymptote exists at the value of x where the denominator is zero.

Want denominator not equal to zero:	$2x - 8 \neq 0$
Add 8 to each side:	$+8 \quad +8$

$$2x \neq 8$$

Divide by 2:	$\div 2 \quad \div 2$
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$$x \neq 4 \text{ is the domain}$$

A horizontal asymptote exists at the value that y approaches as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Since the numerator and denominator have the same degree, the value of y that we seek is the ratio of the lead coefficients of the expressions in the numerator and denominator.

Since: $y = \frac{1x-6}{2x-8}$

$$y \neq \frac{1}{2} \text{ is the range}$$

Answer A

32. A horizontal asymptote exists at the value that y approaches as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Since the numerator and denominator have the same degree, the value of y that we seek is the ratio of the lead coefficients of the expressions in the numerator and denominator.

Since: $y = \frac{3x+4}{1x-5}$ $y \rightarrow \frac{3}{1} = 3$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and as $x \rightarrow -\infty$

Answer C

33. Translation converts to changes in the equation as follows:

- Translation **h units left changes x to $x + h$.**
- Translation **h units right changes x to $x - h$.**
- Translation **k units down adds $-k$ as a constant** to the expression.
- Translation **k units up adds k as a constant** to the expression.

In this problem, we **change x to $x - 1$** and **add 2 as a constant** to the expression. So,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1} + 2 = \frac{2(x-1)+1}{x-1} = \frac{2x-1}{x-1}$$

Answer B

34. Identify the graph by finding the asymptotes.

A vertical asymptote exists at the value of x where the denominator is zero.

Want denominator equal to zero: $x + 3 = 0$

Subtract 3 from each side: $\begin{array}{r} x + 3 = 0 \\ -3 \quad -3 \\ \hline x = -3 \end{array}$

$x = -3$ is a vertical asymptote

A horizontal asymptote exists at the value that y approaches as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Since the numerator and denominator have the same degree, the value of y that we seek is the ratio of the lead coefficients of the expressions in the numerator and denominator.

Since: $y = \frac{3x+1}{1x+3}$ $y = \frac{3}{1} = 3$ is a horizontal asymptote

Answer A

35. Factor first and then simplify. You may look at the answers to help you do your factoring.

$$\frac{x^2-x-30}{2x^2-11x-6} = \frac{(x+5)(x-6)}{(2x+1)(x-6)} = \frac{(x+5)}{(2x+1)}$$

Answer C

36. Regarding the second fraction, “flip that guy and multiply.”

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2-3x-10}{x^2+2x-3} \div \frac{x+5}{x+3} &= \frac{x^2-3x-10}{x^2+2x-3} \cdot \frac{x+3}{x+5} \\ &= \frac{(x-5)(x+2)}{(x-1)(x+3)} \cdot \frac{(x+3)}{(x+5)} \\ &= \frac{(x-5)(x+2)}{(x-1)(x+5)} \end{aligned} \quad \boxed{\text{Answer A}}$$

37. One of the easiest problems on the test. Don't expect one like this on the real final.

$$\frac{7}{x-4} - \frac{11}{x-4} = \frac{7-11}{x-4} = \frac{-4}{x-4} \quad \boxed{\text{Answer D}}$$

38. Get a common denominator and add.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4x+5}{x^2-25} + \frac{7}{x-5} &= \frac{4x+5}{(x-5)(x+5)} + \frac{7}{x-5} \\ &= \frac{4x+5}{(x-5)(x+5)} + \frac{7(x+5)}{(x-5)(x+5)} \\ &= \frac{(4x+5) + (7x+35)}{(x-5)(x+5)} \\ &= \frac{11x+40}{x^2-25} \end{aligned} \quad \boxed{\text{Answer A}}$$

39. Cross multiply, but remember that denominators cannot be zero, so $x \neq \{5, -6\}$.

$$\frac{x+4}{x-5} = \frac{x-3}{x+6} \quad \Rightarrow \quad (x+4)(x+6) = (x-5)(x-3)$$

Add and subtract items so that the result has the x 's on one side and the constants on the other.

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 10x + 24 = x^2 - 8x + 15 \\ -x^2 + 8x - 24 = -x^2 + 8x - 24 \\ \hline 18x = -9 \\ \div 18 \qquad \qquad \qquad \div 18 \end{array}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Answer B

40. Get a common denominator and then work with the numerators. Remember that denominators cannot be zero, so $x \neq \{1, 6\}$.

$$\frac{3x}{x-1} + \frac{2x}{x-6} = \frac{5x^2 - 15x + 20}{x^2 - 7x + 6}$$

$$\frac{(x-6)}{(x-6)} \cdot \frac{3x}{(x-1)} + \frac{2x}{(x-6)} \cdot \frac{(x-1)}{(x-1)} = \frac{5x^2 - 15x + 20}{(x-6)(x-1)}$$

Now, work with the numerators only. The denominator can be discarded.

$$(x-6) \cdot (3x) + (2x) \cdot (x-1) = 5x^2 - 15x + 20$$

$$(3x^2 - 18x) + (2x^2 - 2x) = 5x^2 - 15x + 20$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5x^2 - 20x = 5x^2 - 15x + 20 \\ -5x^2 + 15x \quad -5x^2 + 15x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$-5x = 20$$

$$\div (-5) \qquad \div (-5)$$

$$x = -4$$

Answer D

41. This inequality generates 3 regions to test, as follows.

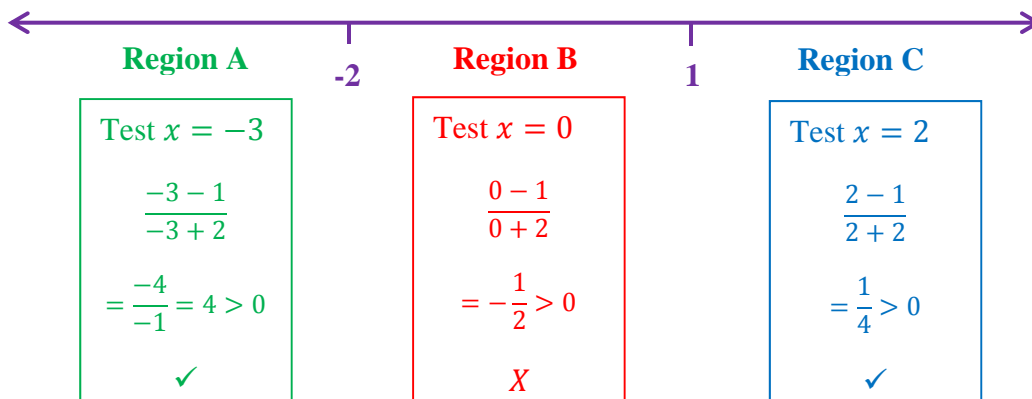
A regional break is created where the numerator is zero:

$$x - 1 = 0 \rightarrow x = 1$$

A regional break is created where the denominator is zero:

$$x + 2 = 0 \rightarrow x = -2$$

$$\frac{x-1}{x+2} > 0$$



Regions A and B meet the requirements of the inequality, so, $x < -2$ or $x > 1$

Answer A

42. This inequality generates 3 regions to test. But first, you must get everything on one side of the inequality.

$$\frac{x-1}{x+2} \leq 5$$

$$\frac{x-1}{x+2} - 5 \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x-1}{x+2} - \frac{5(x+2)}{x+2} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x-1-5x-10}{x+2} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x-1-5x-10}{x+2} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{-4x-11}{x+2} \leq 0$$

A regional break is created where the numerator is zero:

$$-4x - 11 = 0 \rightarrow x = \frac{-11}{4}$$

A regional break is created where the denominator is zero:

$$x + 2 = 0 \rightarrow x = -2$$

At this point you can identify the correct answer without doing the regional work illustrated in problem 41 above.

The breakpoints are: $x = \frac{-11}{4}$ and $x = -2$. Note that answers A and B have these breakpoints and the difference between them is whether $x = -2$ is a solution. Note that when $x = -2$ the denominator of the inequality is zero, so $x = -2$ is *not* a solution.

Answer B

43. The distance between the vertex and the focus is 6, so $p = 6$.

Then, since the path from the vertex to the focus is horizontal (in the x-direction), the form of the equation is:

$$x = \frac{1}{4p}(y - k)^2 + h \quad \text{and with a vertex of } (0, 0), \text{ this becomes: } x = \frac{1}{4p}y^2$$

Then, with $p = 6$, this becomes: $x = \frac{1}{24}y^2$ or $24x = y^2$

Answer A

44. Translation converts to changes in the equation as follows:

- Translation **h units left changes x to $x + h$.**
- Translation **h units right changes x to $x - h$.**
- Translation **k units down changes y to $y + k$.**
- Translation **k units up changes y to $y - k$.**

In this problem, we **change x to $x + 2$** and **y to $y - 3$** .

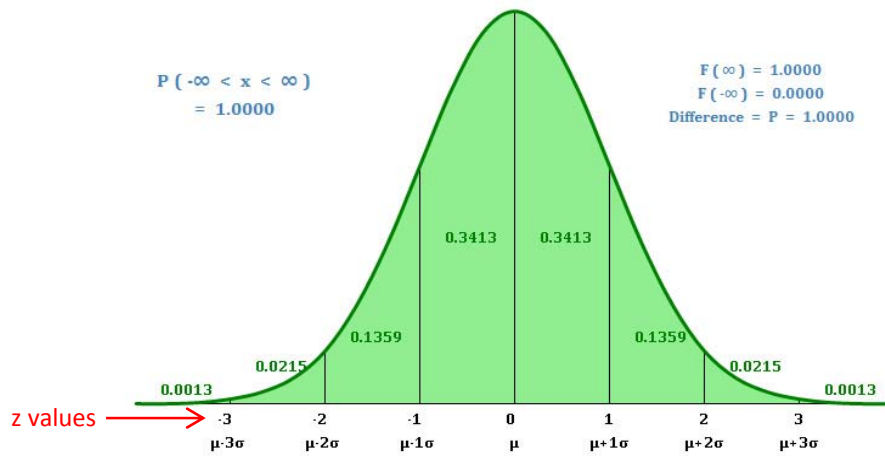
So,

$$y^2 = \frac{1}{5}x \Rightarrow (y - 3)^2 = \frac{1}{5}(x + 2)$$

Answer B

Translation Illustration

$$\begin{array}{c} y - k \\ \uparrow \\ y \\ x + k \leftarrow x \quad x \rightarrow x - k \\ y \\ \downarrow \\ y + k \end{array}$$

Normal Distribution with $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma = 1$ 

49. Calculate the z-statistic and locate it on the above graph.

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{59 - 64}{2.5} = -2$$

We want the probability to the left of $z = -2$ because we want women with heights below (i.e., shorter than) 59 inches.

The cumulative probability to the left of $z = -2$ is $0.0013 + 0.0215 = 0.0228$. The closest answer to this on the sample test is 0.025.

Answer B

50. Calculate the z-statistics and locate them on the above graph.

$$z_1 = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{67 - 70}{3} = -1 \quad z_2 = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{76 - 70}{3} = 2$$

We want the probability between $z = -1$ and $z = 2$ because we want men with heights between 67 and 76 inches.

The probability between $z = -1$ and $z = 2$ is roughly $0.34 + .034 + 0.14 = 0.82$.

Answer D