

**Definition of a Function:**

**Function:** each input has exactly \_\_\_\_\_ output.

**Vertical Line Test:****Important Characteristics of a Function:**

Increasing:  $x$ -interval (from left to right) where a function is going uphill

Decreasing:  $x$ -interval (from left to right) where a function is going downhill

Constant function:  $x$ -interval (from left to right) where a function is horizontal

Relative max: a point where a function changes from increasing to decreasing; a “mountain-top”

Relative min: a point where a function changes from decreasing to increasing; a “mountain-bottom”

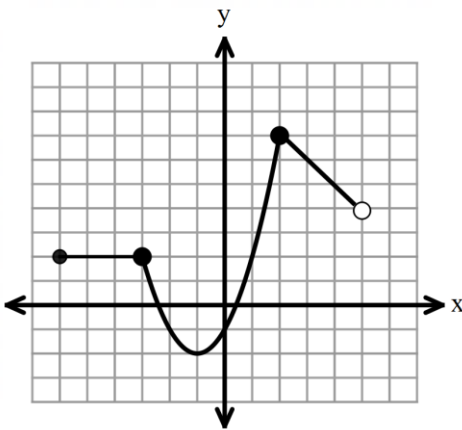
Domain: set of all inputs ( $x$ -values) for which a function is defined

Range: set of all outputs ( $y$ -values) for which a function is defined

**Reminder:** interval notation

- Use [brackets] for closed circles and (parenthesis) for open circles
  - Exception: we will use (parenthesis) for *all* increasing/decreasing intervals
  - Some textbooks use brackets instead of parenthesis.
- For  $x$ -values, use **left, right**
- For  $y$ -values, use **bottom, top**
- For undefined points, such as open circles, use a parenthesis instead of a bracket.

**Example 1:** Identify the important characteristics of the graph shown.



Is the graph a function? How do you know?

Interval(s) increasing

Interval(s) decreasing

Relative max, if any

Relative min, if any

Domain

Range

**Odd and Even Functions:**

A function is **even** if  $f(-x) = f(x)$  for all values of  $x$ .

A function is **odd** if  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all values of  $x$ .

**Examples 2 – 4: Determine if the function is even, odd, or neither.**

2)  $f(x) = 3x^3 + x^2 - 4$

3)  $g(x) = 4x^2 + x^4$

4)  $h(x) = -2x^5 + x^3$

**For #5 – 7, evaluate each function at the given value of the independent variable.**

Given that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 5x - 3 & \text{if } x < -4 \\ 3x - 5 & \text{if } x \geq -4 \end{cases}$  and  $g(x) = 2x^2 - 6$

5)  $f(-3)$

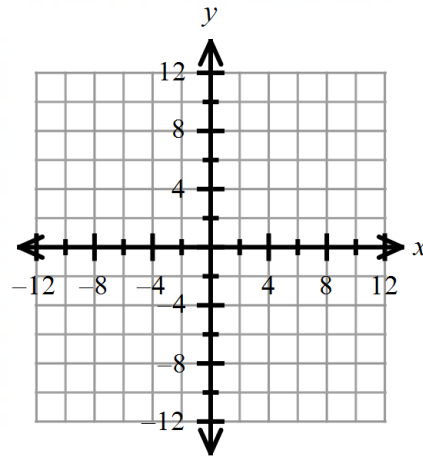
6)  $f(-8)$

7)  $g(x - 1)$

8) Given that  $f(x) = x^2 + 9x - 7$ , find  $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$  if  $x \neq 0$ . Simplify your answer.

9) Graph  $f(x)$  on the provided coordinate system.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 5 & \text{if } -8 \leq x < 2 \\ -4 & \text{if } x = 2 \\ -x + 5 & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$



10) Write the equation of the line in point-slope form that passes through  $(3, -6)$  has an  $x$ -intercept of  $-2$ . Also write your answer in  $(h, k)$  form and slope-intercept form.

**For #11 – 13: Perform the indicated operations for the given functions for  $f$  and  $g$ .**

11) Find  $\frac{f}{g}$  if  $f(x) = 4x^2 - 7x$  and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x - 14$ . Factor your answer completely.

12) Find  $f - g$  if  $f(x) = 7x - 9$  and  $g(x) = 2x - 4$ .

13) Find  $g(f(x))$ ... also written as  $(g \circ f)(x)$ ... if  $f(x) = -4x + 8$  and  $g(x) = 3x + 5$ .

**Inverses of Functions:**

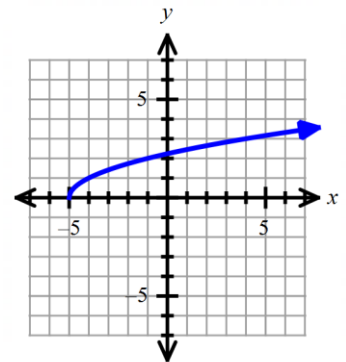
- To find the inverse of a function: exchange the  $x$  and  $y$ -variables, and solve for  $y$ .
- Given that  $f$  and  $g$  are inverse functions, and if  $f(a) = b$ , then  $g(b) = a$ .
  - In other words, each ordered pair has the  $x$ - and  $y$ -coordinates exchanged.
- Given that  $f$  and  $g$  are inverse functions, then  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are reflections in the line  $y = x$ .
- Given that  $f$  and  $g$  are inverse functions, then  $f(g(x)) = x$  and  $g(f(x)) = x$ .

**If a function is one-to-one**, then it passes both the Vertical Line Test and the Horizontal Line Test.

- This means that both the function and its inverses are functions.
- For each input, there is exactly one output. And for each output, there is exactly one input.

14) Find the equation of the inverse of the given one-to-one function:  $g(x) = \frac{5}{7x-8}$

15) Use the graph of  $f(x)$ , as shown to the right, to draw the graph of its inverse function.



16) Determine which two functions below are inverses of each other.

$$f(x) = 3x$$

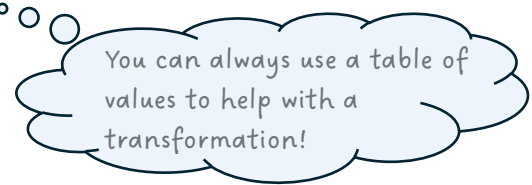
$$g(x) = \frac{x}{3}$$

$$h(x) = \frac{3}{x}$$

**Transformations of a Function**

Given  $f(x)$ , then  $g(x) = a \cdot f(x - h) + k$  has the following transformations on  $f$ .

- If  $|a| > 1$ , then there is a vertical stretch by a factor of  $a$ .
- If  $|a| < 1$ , then there is a vertical compression by a factor of  $a$ .
- If  $a < 0$ , then there is a vertical reflection.
- Horizontal shift:  $h$  units
- Vertical shift:  $k$  units

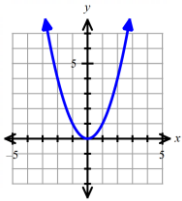


**Parent Functions**

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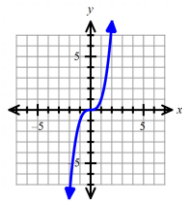
**Quadratic**

$y = x^2$



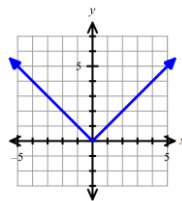
**Cubic**

$y = x^3$



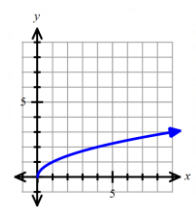
**Absolute Value**

$y = |x|$



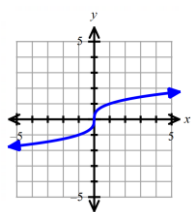
**Square Root**

$y = \sqrt{x}$



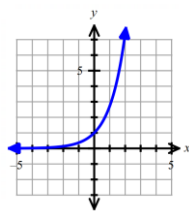
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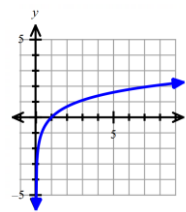
**Exponential**

$y = e^x$



**Logarithmic**

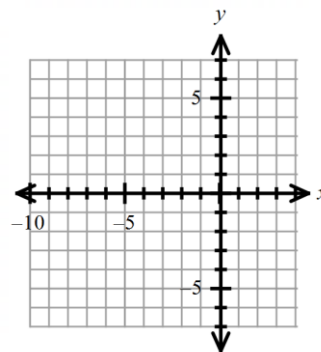
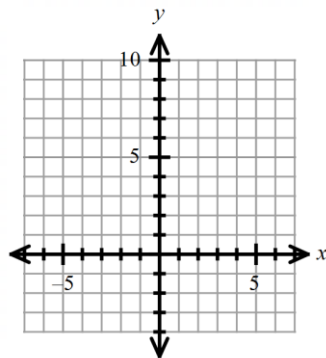
$y = \ln x$



**For #17 – 18, sketch each parent function. Then use transformations to sketch  $g(x)$ .**

17) Parent function:  $y = |x|$ ;  $g(x) = 4|x| + 1$

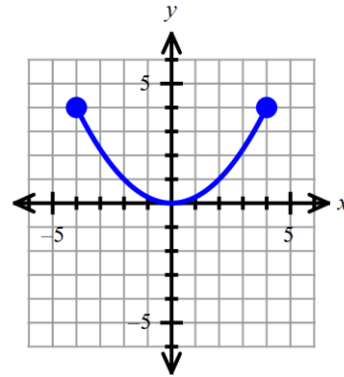
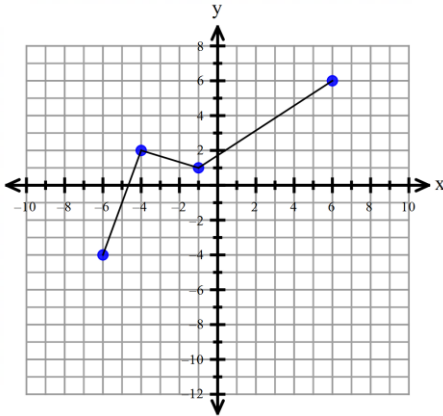
18) Parent function:  $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$ ;  $g(x) = -\sqrt[3]{x + 5}$



For #19 – 20, use the given graph of  $y = f(x)$  to graph the described function  $g(x)$  on the same graph.

19)  $g(x) = -2f(x)$

20)  $g(x) = -f(x) - 1$



For #21 – 25, determine if each relation is a function or not.

21)  $(-3, 2), (-1, 8), (4, 6), (-3, 5), (0, 7)$

22)  $x^2 + y^2 = 25$

23)  $y = -\sqrt{x + 1}$

