





### Method 3: Completing the Square (continued)

When to use Completing the Square Method: This method will \_\_\_\_\_ work, but I would only use this method if I was unable to \_\_\_\_\_ or use \_\_\_\_\_.

The most \_\_\_\_\_ equations to use Completing the Square Method, have a = \_\_\_\_\_ and b is \_\_\_\_\_.

- Steps:
1. From \_\_\_\_\_ form, make a = \_\_\_\_\_ by dividing each term by \_\_\_\_\_,
  2. Move the \_\_\_\_\_ term to the right side of equation and add \_\_\_\_\_ to each side.
  3. Complete the Square by \_\_\_\_\_ the linear term by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Put this value in the blanks. The right side will now factor into a \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. Finish Solving by using \_\_\_\_\_ method.

|                      |                      |                       |
|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| $x^2 + 10x + 21 = 0$ | $2x^2 + 14x + 4 = 0$ | $3x^2 - 18x + 21 = 0$ |
|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|

## Method 4: Quadratic Formula

When to Use Quadratic Formula: \_\_\_\_\_

Steps: 1. Put the quadratic equation in \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Find the values of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ values in quadratic formula, which is:

4. Reduce.

$$x^2 + 9x + 11 = 3x - 2$$

$$9x^2 - 18x + 7 = 0$$

## Choosing the Best Method

In summary, when choosing a method to solve a quadratic equation, follow this order.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ try to \_\_\_\_\_ first.
2. If  $b =$  \_\_\_\_\_ or if \_\_\_\_\_, then use \_\_\_\_\_.
3. If  $a =$  \_\_\_\_\_ and  $b$  is \_\_\_\_\_, then it is convenient to use \_\_\_\_\_.
4. As a \_\_\_\_\_ resort, use \_\_\_\_\_, which will solve \_\_\_\_\_ quadratic equations.

## Lesson 2: Miscellaneous Equations

### 1. Higher Order Equations - Factoring

Steps: 1. Get equations in general form, or set \_\_\_\_\_

2. Factor out \_\_\_\_\_, if possible.

3. Factor the remaining expression depending on the number of terms left

a. 2 Terms: \_\_\_\_\_

b. 3 Terms: \_\_\_\_\_

c. 4 Terms: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Make sure all factors are \_\_\_\_\_. If they are not \_\_\_\_\_, then repeat step 3.

5. Set each factor \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for the variable.

Solve.

$$6x^3 + 22x^2 - 8x = 0$$

$$5x^4 - 20x^2 = 0$$

$$x^4 + 4x^3 - 8x = 32$$

## 2. Rational Exponents

Review from Intermediate Algebra:

$$a^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a^m} = \left(\sqrt[n]{a}\right)^m$$

Examples:

$$27^{\frac{2}{3}} =$$

$$16^{\frac{3}{4}} =$$

Solve:

|            |            |
|------------|------------|
| $x^2 = 9$  | $x^3 = 8$  |
| $x^2 = -9$ | $x^3 = -8$ |

### Solving Rational Exponent Equations

$$x^{\frac{m}{n}} = k \quad \left( \quad \right)^{\frac{m}{n}} = k$$

- Steps:
1. Isolate the \_\_\_\_\_ with the rational exponent.
  2. Raise both sides to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the exponent, or \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. If \_\_\_\_\_ of exponent or \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_, then put \_\_\_\_\_ sign on value.
    - b. If \_\_\_\_\_ of exponent or \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_, then DO NOT put \_\_\_\_\_ sign on value.
  3. You MUST \_\_\_\_\_ your solution(s) and eliminate \_\_\_\_\_ solutions.

$$x^{\frac{m}{n}} = k$$

↙ If m is even      ↘ if m is odd

$$x = \pm k^{\frac{n}{m}} \quad x = k^{\frac{n}{m}}$$

$$x^{\frac{3}{2}} = 27$$

$$x^{\frac{2}{3}} = 4$$

More Examples: Solve.

$$(x^2 - 3x + 3)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 = 0$$

$$(x + 5)^{\frac{2}{3}} = 4$$

### 3. Solving Equations of the Quadratic Form (using Substitution)

The following are examples of the quadratic form. What makes these seemingly different equations similar?

$$x^4 - 8x^2 - 9 = 0$$
 1.

$$5x^{\frac{2}{3}} + 11x^{\frac{1}{3}} + 2 = 0$$
 2.

$$(x + 3)^2 + 7(x + 3) - 18 = 0$$
 3.

Each of these 5 similarities to the right

 4.

\_\_\_\_\_ the equations to be

in the \_\_\_\_\_ form.

 5.

### 3. Solving Equations of the Quadratic Form (using Substitution) continued

- Steps:
1. Identify the equation as a \_\_\_\_\_ and set equation equal to \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Let some variable, \_\_\_\_\_ be equal to the original equation's \_\_\_\_\_ term variable part. This equation is important to write down, because we will use it in step 5.
  3. Find the \_\_\_\_\_ of the new variable \_\_\_\_\_, which will always be the first term's variable part.
  4. \_\_\_\_\_ the new variable \_\_\_\_\_ into the equation to get a quadratic equation and \_\_\_\_\_ for the new variable, \_\_\_\_\_.
  5. To solve for original variable, \_\_\_\_\_ solution(s) into equation from step 2.
  6. \_\_\_\_\_ your solution(s). This is mandatory, if your equation includes \_\_\_\_\_ exponents.

Solve:

|                      |  |                             |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| $x^4 - 8x^2 - 9 = 0$ | $5x^{\frac{2}{3}} + 11x^{\frac{1}{3}} + 2 = 0$ | $(x+3)^2 + 7(x+3) - 18 = 0$ |
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## Lesson 3: Absolute Value Equations and Inequalities

Remember, the \_\_\_\_\_ means distance from \_\_\_\_\_. Often we say, the absolute value makes the value inside the bars \_\_\_\_\_. Examples:  $|15| =$   $|-15| =$

### 1. Solving Absolute Equations

Solve in your HEAD

|           |            |
|-----------|------------|
| $ x  = 3$ | $ x  = -3$ |
|-----------|------------|

Notice that the \_\_\_\_\_ on the value determines if the equation has \_\_\_\_\_.

Steps: 1. Isolate the \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.

$$| \quad | = c$$

|  |  |
|--|--|
| 2. If $c$ is _____, which means _____ or _____ then split the absolute value equation into two _____ without _____;<br><br>or<br><br>and then _____. | 3. If $c$ is _____, then the answer is _____, because the absolute value of _____ expression can _____ be equal to a negative value. |
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Solve:

|                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| $ 2x - 3  = 11$ | $4 x - 2  + 7 = 3$ |
|-----------------|--------------------|

Solve:

$$7|3x| + 2 = 16$$

$$2|3x - 1| + 7 = 7$$

## 2. Interval Notation

Interval notation represents the set of \_\_\_\_\_ numbers between two \_\_\_\_\_. If you would like to \_\_\_\_\_ the endpoint, then use a \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ symbol. If you would NOT like to include the endpoint, then use a \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ symbol. We always write interval notation as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

| Inequality Notation | Graph | Interval Notation |
|---------------------|-------|-------------------|
| $x < a$             |       |                   |
| $x > a$             |       |                   |
| $x \leq a$          |       |                   |
| $x \geq a$          |       |                   |
| $a < x < b$         |       |                   |
| $a \leq x \leq b$   |       |                   |
| $a < x \leq b$      |       |                   |
| $a \leq x < b$      |       |                   |
| All Real Numbers    |       |                   |
| No Solution         |       |                   |

### 3. Solving Linear Inequalities

Remember: \_\_\_\_\_ the inequality sign when you multiply or divide by a \_\_\_\_\_ or if you \_\_\_\_\_ the equation.



|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| $-4x + 3 \leq 27$ | $-2 < x$ |
|-------------------|----------|

### 4. Solving Inequalities with Absolute Value

When solving inequalities with \_\_\_\_\_, first \_\_\_\_\_ the absolute value expression.  $| \quad | < c$  or  $| \quad | > c$

Next, identify if the \_\_\_\_\_ on the opposite side of the absolute value is \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Let's explore when  $c$  is \_\_\_\_\_.



| Inequality w/<br>Absolute Value | Graph of Solutions  | Solution in Inequality<br>form | Solution in Interval<br>Notation |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| $ x  < 2$                       |  |                                |                                  |
| $ x  > 2$                       |  |                                |                                  |





Let  $x$  be algebraic expression and **let  $c$  be a positive number.**

|                        |
|------------------------|
| If $ x  < c$ , then.   |
| If $ x  > c$ , then OR |



**And Examples:**

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|   |   |
|---|---|
| $ x  \leq 3$<br><br> | $ x  > 4$<br><br> |
|---|---|

|   |  |
|---|--|
| $ 3x - 2  < 8$<br><br><br><br><br>                         | $ 3x - 2  \geq 8$<br><br><br><br><br>        |
| $\left  \frac{x - 2}{3} \right  < 4$<br><br><br><br><br> | $ 1 - 2x  - 4 \geq -1$<br><br><br><br><br> |

B. Let's explore when  $c$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

| Inequality w/<br>Absolute Value | Graph of Solutions  | Solution in Interval<br>Notation |
|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| $ x  < -2$                      |  |                                  |
| $ x  > -2$                      |  |                                  |

Let  $x$  be algebraic expression and **let  $c$  be a negative number.**

If  $|x| < c$ , then the solution is \_\_\_\_\_.

If  $|x| > c$ , then the solution is \_\_\_\_\_.

Solve

$$|3x - 2| \leq -8$$

$$|3x - 2| \geq -8$$

$$4|7 - x| + 9 < 5$$

## Lesson 4: Basics of Functions and Their Graphs

A relation is a \_\_\_\_\_.

The set of all \_\_\_\_\_ elements in a relation is called the \_\_\_\_\_ and

the set of all \_\_\_\_\_ elements a relations is called the \_\_\_\_\_. The following is a relation.

| Student | Color of their Shirt |
|---------|----------------------|
| April   |                      |
| Bob     |                      |
| Carlos  |                      |
| Dion    |                      |
| Eva     |                      |

Let us define the following sets as:

$A = \{$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\}$

$B = \{$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\}$

The domain of A is :  $A_D$

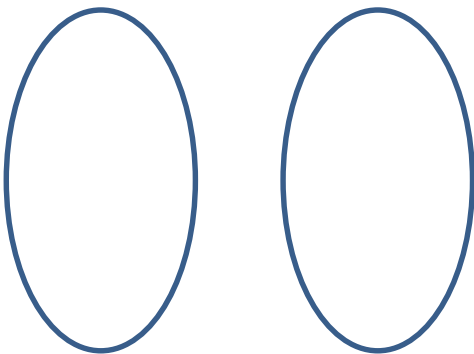
The range of A is:  $A_R$

The domain of B is :  $B_D$

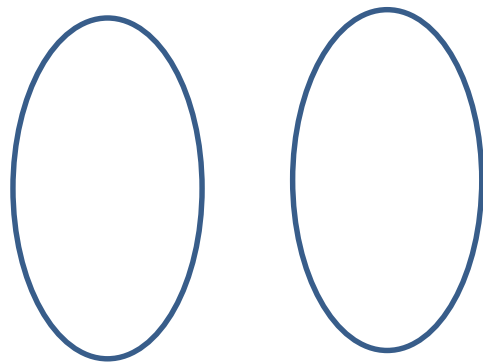
The range of B is:  $B_R$

A \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_ where each element in the \_\_\_\_\_ corresponds to \_\_\_\_\_ element in the \_\_\_\_\_.

A



B



Functions can be expressed several ways.

|                    |                    |                    |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Functions as _____ | Functions as _____ | Functions as _____ |
|                    |                    |                    |

## Functions as Sets

Determine if the following relations are function? Find domain and Range

|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| $I = \{(10, 8), (6, 4), (2, 0), (-2, -4)\}$ | $K = \{(3, 4), (3, 5), (8, 9), (1, 0)\}$ | $J = \{(4, 5), (6, 8), (8, 8), (6, 8)\}$ |
| Is the relation a Function? _____           | Is the relation a Function? _____        | Is the relation a Function? _____        |
| Domain: _____                               | Domain: _____                            | Domain: _____                            |
| Range: _____                                | Range: _____                             | Range: _____                             |

## Functions as Equations

\_\_\_\_\_ is another way of writing an \_\_\_\_\_.

Function notation defines the \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_ of the function by using any value of the \_\_\_\_\_, (x). If an equation is a function, then we \_\_\_\_\_ y with \_\_\_\_\_ pronounced \_\_\_\_\_.

$$y = 3x + 1 \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

To find the value of a function at a given \_\_\_\_\_, we \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ into the equation and \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

Let  $f(x) = 2x - 3$

|               |                |                 |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Find $f(5) =$ | Find $f(-x) =$ | Find $f(x+1) =$ |
|               |                |                 |

Let  $g(x) = x^2 + 3x + 5$

|                |                |                 |
|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Find $g(-2) =$ | Find $g(-x) =$ | Find $g(x+3) =$ |
|                |                |                 |

Let  $h(x) = \frac{x^2}{x-1}$

|                |               |                |
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| Find $h(-1) =$ | Find $h(4) =$ | Find $h(-x) =$ |
|                |               |                |

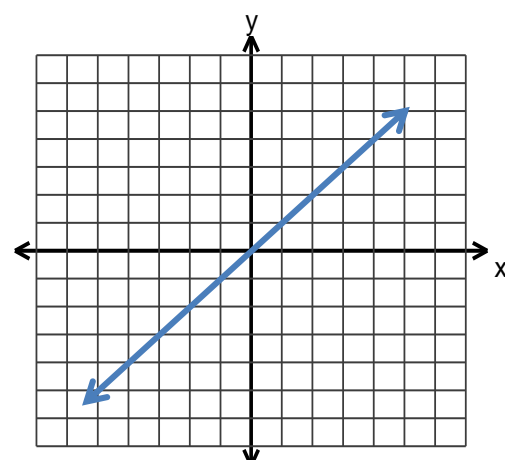
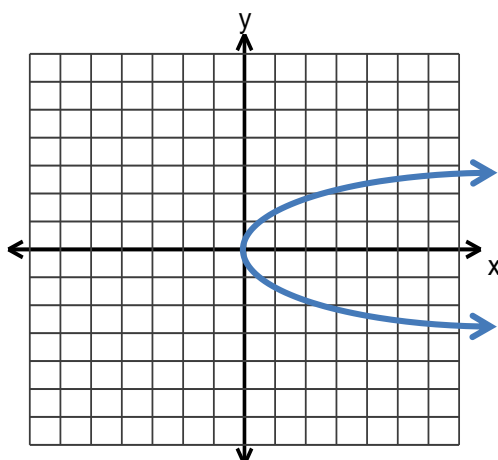
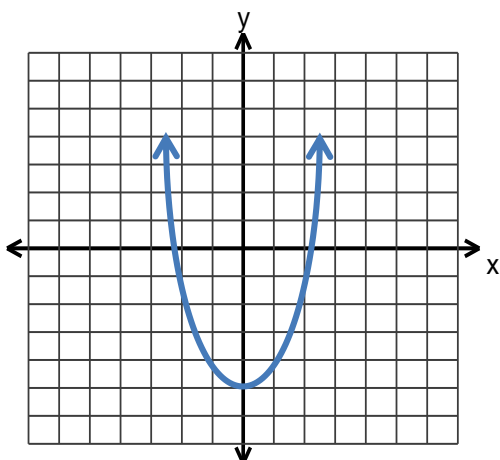
## Functions as Graphs

The \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_ is the picture that represents all the \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ for the equation/function.

Remember: If every value in the \_\_\_\_\_ corresponds to only \_\_\_\_\_ value in the \_\_\_\_\_, then the graph is a \_\_\_\_\_. If \_\_\_\_\_ value in the domain corresponds to more than \_\_\_\_\_ value in the \_\_\_\_\_, then the graph is not a function.

To determine if a graph is a function, we will use the \_\_\_\_\_, which states that if a \_\_\_\_\_ intersects the graph at \_\_\_\_\_ than one point, then the graph is \_\_\_\_\_ a function.

Are these relations also functions?



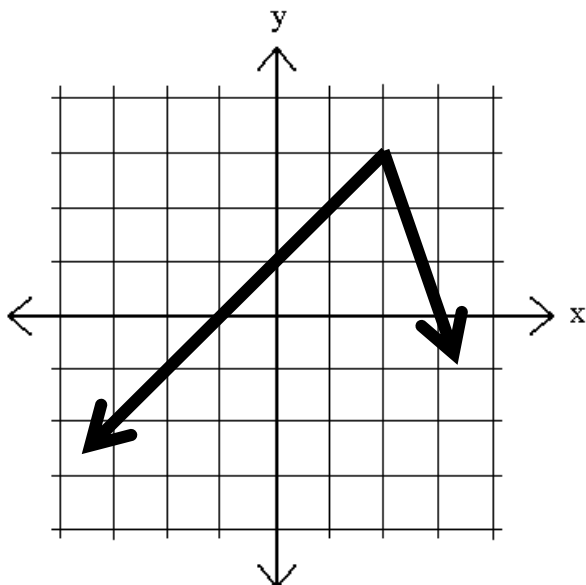


## Functions as Graphs: Finding Values

We can also find \_\_\_\_\_ of a function by looking at the \_\_\_\_\_.

To find a function value, go to the given \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ axis.

Your \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ coordinate at that input.



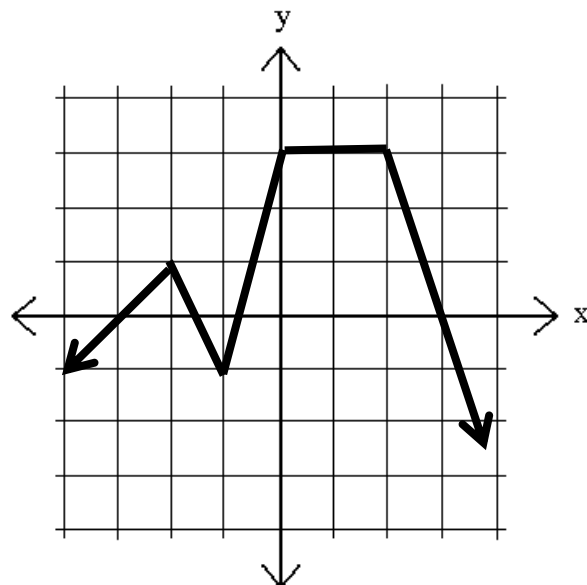
Find  $f(-2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(-1) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(0) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(1) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_



Find  $f(-3) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(-2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(0) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(3) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

## Functions as Graphs: X and Y Intercepts

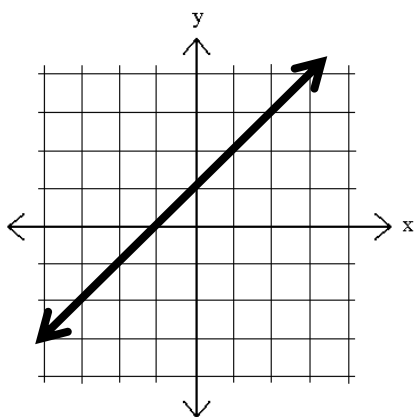
\_\_\_\_\_ are where the graph \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

Algebraically, you find it by setting \_\_\_\_\_ and solving for \_\_\_\_\_.

The \_\_\_\_\_ is where the graph \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

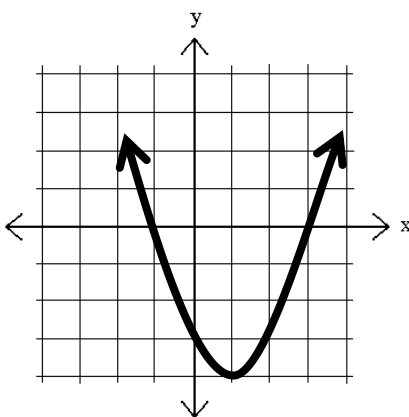
Algebraically, you find it by setting \_\_\_\_\_ and solving for \_\_\_\_\_.

Find the x and y intercepts of the following graphs:



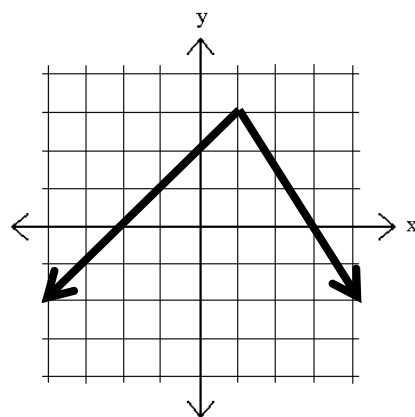
X Intercept(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Y Intercept: \_\_\_\_\_



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Y Intercept: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Functions as Graph: Domain and Range

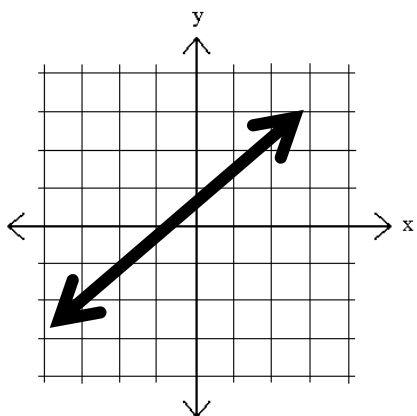
We will write the domain and range using \_\_\_\_\_.

Remember: The \_\_\_\_\_ of a relation is all the \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ values that relation includes.

In order to find the \_\_\_\_\_ of the graph, look at the end points of the relation graphed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

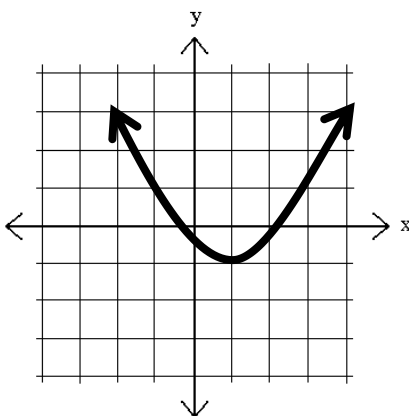
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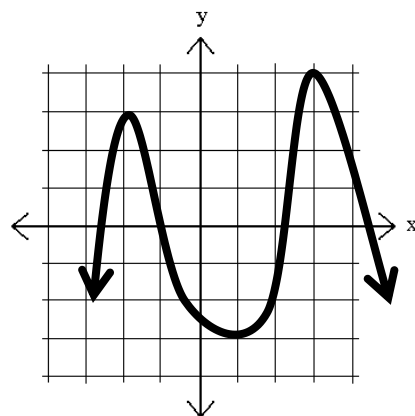
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Range: \_\_\_\_\_



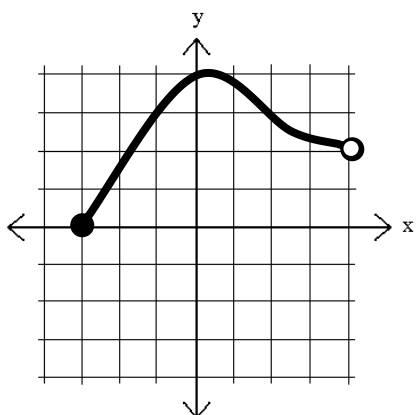
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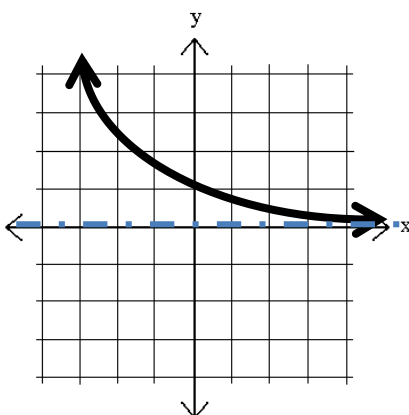
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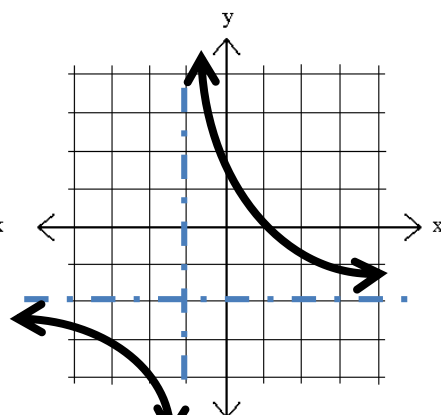
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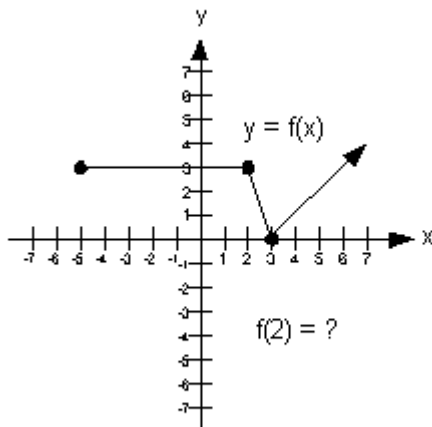
Domain: \_\_\_\_\_

Range: \_\_\_\_\_

## Functions as Graphs Summary

Zeros: The value of \_\_\_\_ when  $f(x) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ , or the \_\_\_\_ coordinate of the \_\_\_\_ intercept.

1.



Domain \_\_\_\_\_

Range \_\_\_\_\_

X Intercept(s) \_\_\_\_\_

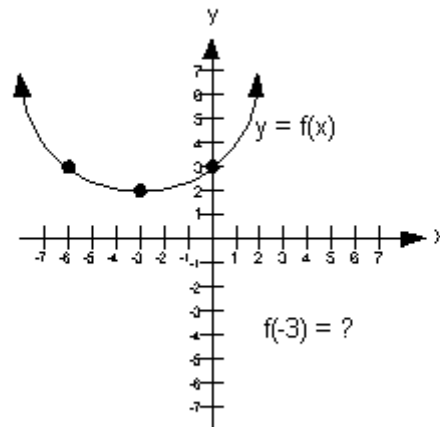
Y intercept \_\_\_\_\_

Zeros \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(2) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

Find  $f(3) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

2.



Domain \_\_\_\_\_

Range \_\_\_\_\_

X Intercept(s) \_\_\_\_\_

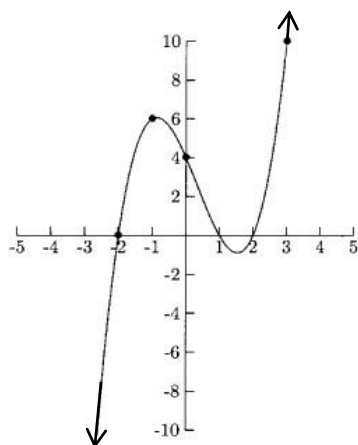
Y intercept \_\_\_\_\_

Zeros \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(-3) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

Find  $f(-6) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

3.



Domain \_\_\_\_\_

Range \_\_\_\_\_

X Intercept(s) \_\_\_\_\_

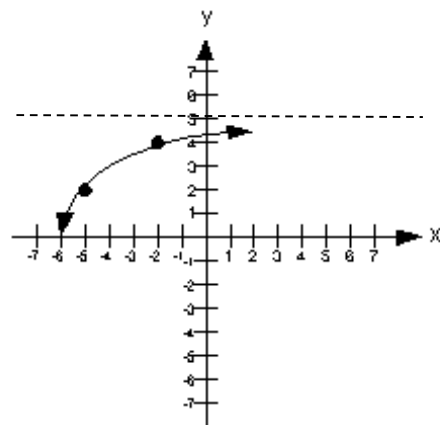
Y intercept \_\_\_\_\_

Zeros \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(-1) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

Find  $f(0) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

4.



Domain \_\_\_\_\_

Range \_\_\_\_\_

X Intercept(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Y intercept \_\_\_\_\_

Zeros \_\_\_\_\_

Find  $f(-2) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

Find  $f(-5) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

## Lesson 5: More on Basics of Functions and their Graphs

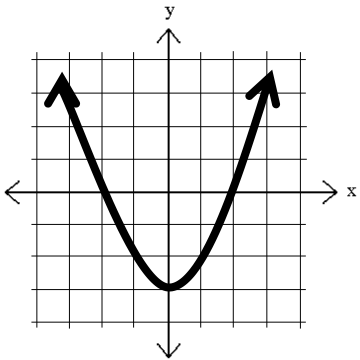
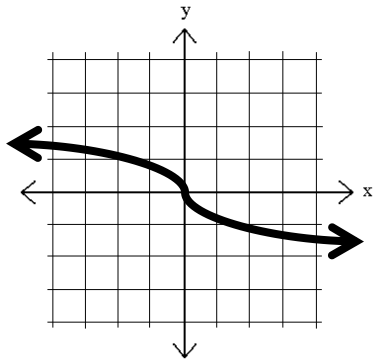
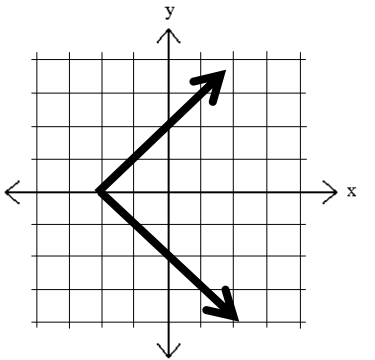
### Even and Odd functions and their Symmetry

| TYPE | GRAPH | SYMMETRY | ALGEBRAIC DETERMINATION   |
|------|-------|----------|---|
|      |       |          | If $f(-x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ for all $x$ in the domain, then the functions is $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . |
|      |       |          | If $f(-x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ for all $x$ in the domain, then the functions is $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . |

Algebraically determine if the following functions are even, odd or neither.

|                   |                   |                  |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| $f(x) = 3x^2 + 1$ | $f(x) = 4x^3 - x$ | $f(x) = x^5 + 1$ |
|                   |                   |                  |

Use possible symmetry to determine whether the following graphs are even, odd or neither.

|   |  |   |
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|  |  |  |
|---|--|---|

## Piecewise Defined Functions:

A \_\_\_\_\_ function is a \_\_\_\_\_ that is defined by more than \_\_\_\_\_ equation over a specified \_\_\_\_\_.

Example: For a Cell Phone Plan, you will pay \$20 for the first 60 minutes, and then \$0.40 per additional minute.

$$C(t) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right.$$

Find  $C(30)=$

Find  $C(120)=$

To find a function value with a piecewise defined function you must look for the \_\_\_\_\_ the function value belongs in. Then you substitute that value in to the corresponding \_\_\_\_\_.

### Example:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \begin{cases} 6x-1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 7x+3 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

|               |              |              |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Find $f(-3)=$ | Find $f(0)=$ | Find $f(4)=$ |
|               |              |              |

$$\text{Let } g(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 5 & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 4 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

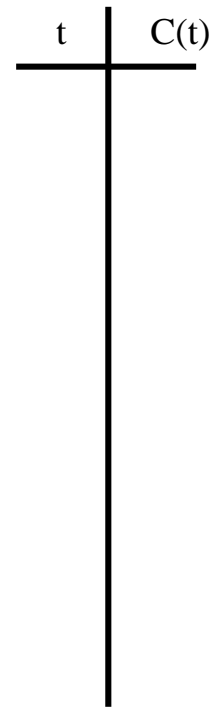
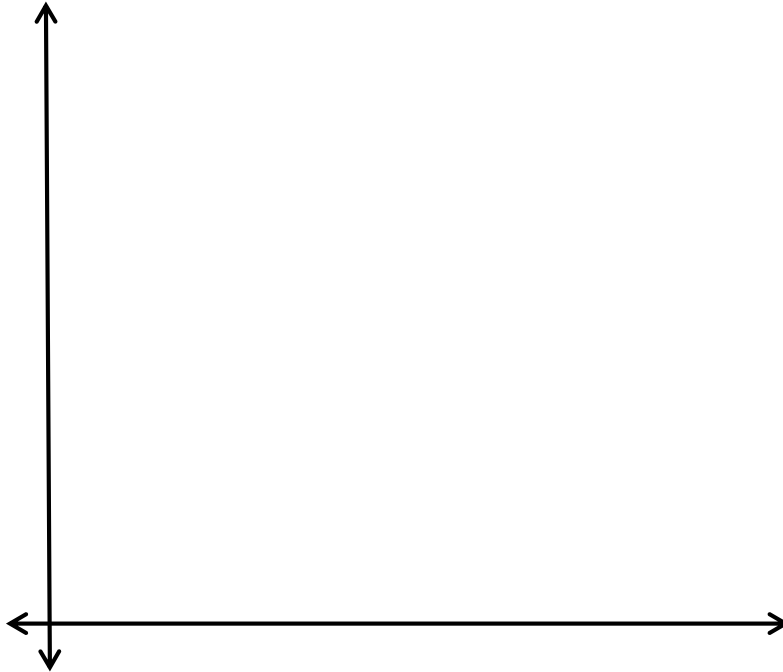
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| Find $g(-3)=$ | Find $g(0)=$ | Find $g(3)=$ |
|               |              |              |

## Graphing Piecewise Functions

To \_\_\_\_\_ a piecewise defined function, choose \_\_\_\_\_ values for \_\_\_\_\_, including the \_\_\_\_\_ of each domain, whether or not that the endpoint is \_\_\_\_\_ in the domain. Label each endpoint as \_\_\_\_\_ or not. Sketch the \_\_\_\_\_ of the function.

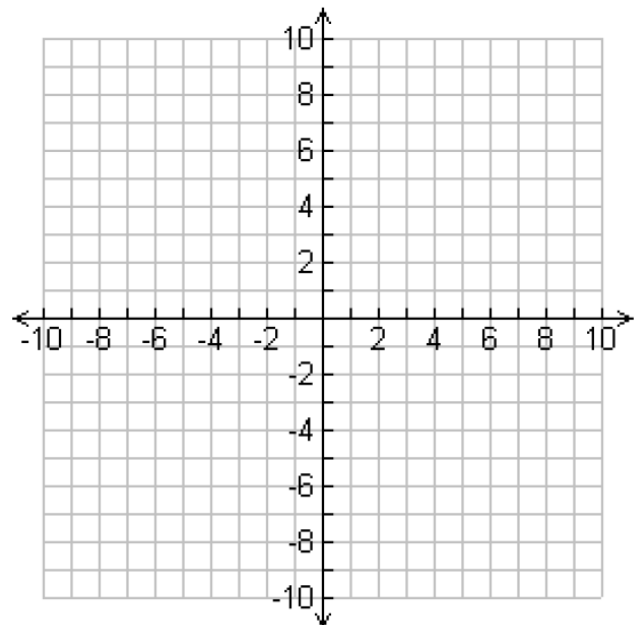
Remember our Cell Phone Plan Function:

$$C(t) = \begin{cases} 20 & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq 60 \\ 20 + .40(t - 60) & \text{if } t > 60 \end{cases}$$

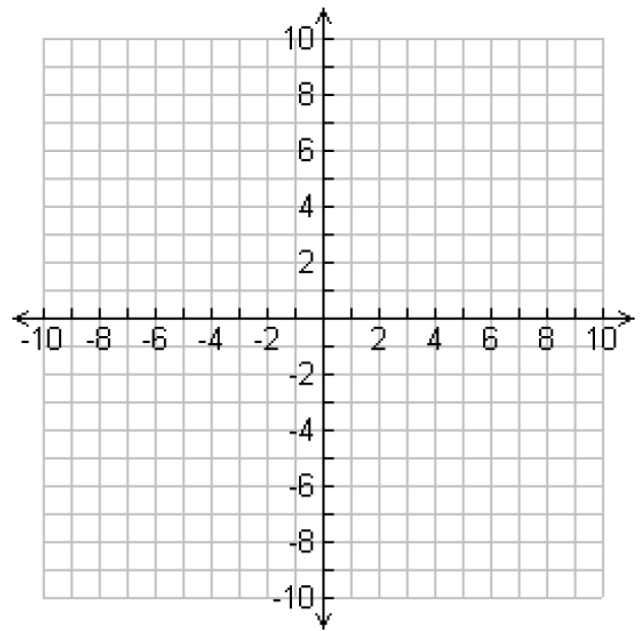


Graph the following piecewise defined functions.

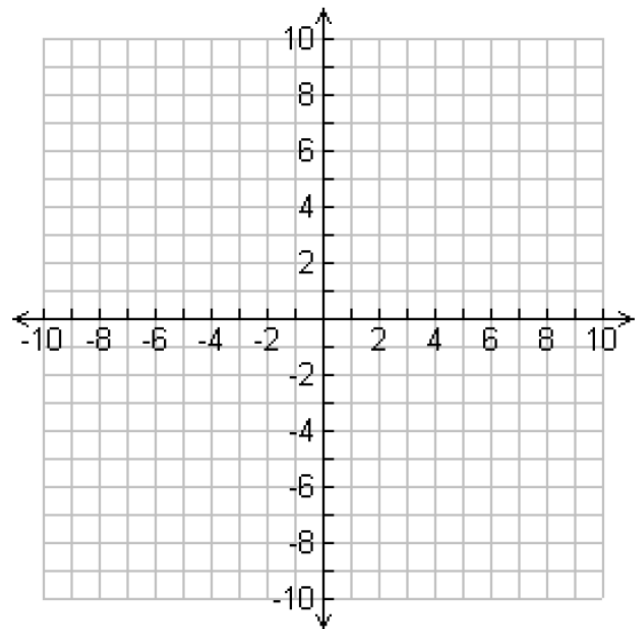
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$



$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+3 & \text{if } -3 \leq x < 0 \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \sqrt{x} & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$



$$f(x) = \begin{cases} |x| & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$



## Difference Quotient

The difference quotient is used to understand the rate at which functions change, which is covered heavily in future courses. For this College Algebra course, we will need to understand how to evaluate this ratio.

Definition:  $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$  where  $h \neq 0$

**Examples:** Find the difference quotient for the following functions

$$f(x) = 6x + 1$$

$$f(x) = -2x^2 + x + 5$$

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