About this Study Guide

The resources contained in this study guide are suitable for use in any state with mathematics curricula aligned to the Algebra I (Common Core) standards. This study guide contains a representative sampling of the 296 questions (as of September 2016) used by the New York State Education Department (NYSED) to assess high school students in the Algebra I (Common Core) Regents mathematics curriculum.

This study guide provides 46 problem sets, which are divided into six major topic areas: 1) Numbers, Operations, and Properties; 2) Graphs and Statistics; 3) Equations and Inequalities; 4) Functions; 5) Polynomials and Quadratics; and 6) Systems. Each problem set begins with a Common Core standard, followed by vocabulary words and “big ideas” associated with the standard. A carefully selected set of Regents examination problems, aligned to the standard and representative of how the standard is assessed by the New York State Education Department, is then presented. Each problem set concludes with detailed solutions to each of the problems.

It is recommended that teachers and students first study the standard itself, then proceed to the vocabulary and big ideas, then study and attempt to answer the problems. Incorporated within the answers is an algorithmic approach to problem solving attributed to George Polya (1887-1985), a Hungarian mathematician who studied problem solving methods. A representation of Polya’s algorithm for problem solving appears at the end of this study guide. Also incorporated within the design of this study guide is a pedagogical approach called “Writing the Math,” which is summarized in two pages preceding Polya’s problem solving algorithm. Writing the Math has been effective in developing academic language proficiency and mathematical understandings of English Language Learners (ELLs). Writing the Math is also a suitable pedagogical ritual for non-ELLs.

Teachers and students are welcome to copy and use this study guide and other JMAP resources for individual and classroom use. Lesson plans associated with this study guide are available at no cost in Microsoft Word docx and Adobe pdf formats on the JMAP website. Teachers are encouraged to modify JMAP lesson plans and supplement this study guide with additional resources, appropriate to their classrooms, to increase the procedural fluencies and learning of students. The Common Core standard at the top of each problem set contains a hyperlink to JMAP’s “Resources by Standard” page. Teachers and students can also Google any common core standard plus the word JMAP for additional resources. For example, Googling “F.IF.C.8 + JMAP” will produce search results aligned to the problem set on polynomials and quadratics – identify characteristics of parabolas by completing the square.

Finally, if you find errors in this text, or if you have a recommendation for improving these resources, please let us know.

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Algebra I (Common Core) Topics

As of September 2016, the New York State Education Department has administered nine Algebra I (Common Core) Regents examinations, each with 37 problems. Altogether, 296 problems have been administered. The distribution of these problems by major topic categories, as defined by JMAP, is shown in the following chart.

Past and future assessment practices can reasonably be expected to remain consistent, and the distribution of topics on future examinations can reasonably be expected to reflect assessment norms established during the first nine examinations. If this be true, then the percentages shown in the above chart can be used to provide rough guesses about of the number of questions on specific topics that can be expected on future exams. The percentages shown in the above chart are used below to estimate the number of problems that will appear on future exams in each category. There are 37 problems on each examination.
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**Abbreviations Used in Standards**

- **A.APR**: Algebra – Polynomials and Rational Expressions
- **A.CED**: Algebra - Creating Expressions that Describe
- **A.REI**: Algebra – Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities
- **A.SSE**: Algebra – Seeing Structure in Expressions
- **F.BF**: Functions – Building Functions
- **F.IF**: Functions – Interpreting Functions
- **F.LE**: Functions – Linear, Quadratic and Exponential Models
- **N.Q**: Numbers – Quantity
- **N.RN**: Numbers – Real Numbers
- **S.ID**: Statistics – Interpreting Data

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NUMBERS, OPERATIONS AND PROPERTIES

N.RN.B.3: Use properties of Rational and Irrational Numbers.

- Use properties of rational and irrational numbers.
- Explain why the sum or product of two rational numbers is rational; that the sum of a rational number and an irrational number is irrational; and that the product of a nonzero rational number and an irrational number is irrational.

N.Q.A.1: Use Units to Solve Problems.

- Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.
  - Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays.

A.REI.A.1: Understand Solving Equations as a Process of Reasoning and Explain the Reasoning.

- Understand solving equations as a process of reasoning and explain the reasoning.
  - Explain each step in solving a simple equation as following from the equality of numbers asserted at the previous step, starting from the assumption that the original equation has a solution. Construct a viable argument to justify a solution method. (linear).

GRAPHS AND STATISTICS

S.ID.A.1: Dot Plots, Histograms, and Box Plots

- Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable
  - Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots).

S.ID.A.2: Central Tendency and Dispersion

- Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable
  - Use statistics appropriate to the shape of the data distribution to compare center (median, mean) and spread (interquartile range, standard deviation) of two or more different data sets.

S.ID.A.3: Outliers/Extreme Data Points

- Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable
  - Interpret differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers).
S.ID.B.5: Frequency Tables

B. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables.
5. Summarize categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. Interpret relative frequencies in the context of the data (including joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies). Recognize possible associations and trends in the data. (Focus is on linear relationships and general principles).

S.ID.B.6a: Linear, Quadratic and Exponential Regression

B. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables
6. Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related.
a. Fit a function to the data; use functions fitted to data to solve problems in the context of the data. Use given functions or choose a function suggested by the context. Emphasize linear, quadratic, and exponential models. Includes the use of the regression capabilities of the calculator.

S.ID.B.6b: Use Residuals to Assess Fit of a Function

B. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables
6. Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related.
b. Informally assess the fit of a function by plotting and analyzing residuals. Includes creating residual plots using the capabilities of the calculator (not manually).

S.ID.C.8: Calculate Correlation Coefficients

C. Interpret linear models
8. Compute (using technology) and interpret the correlation coefficient of a linear fit.

S.ID.C.9: Correlation and Causation

B. Interpret linear models
9. Distinguish between correlation and causation.

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

A.SSE.A.1: Terms, Factors, & Coefficients of Expressions

A. Interpret the structure of expressions.
1. Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context.
a. Interpret parts of an expression, such as terms, factors, coefficients, degree of polynomial, leading coefficient, constant term and the standard form of a polynomial (linear, exponential, quadratic).
b. Interpret complicated expressions by viewing one or more of their parts as a single entity. For example, interpret \( P(1+r)^n \) as the product of \( P \) and a factor not depending on \( P \) (linear, exponential, quadratic).

A.CED.A.1: Create Equations and Inequalities in One Variable

A. Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
1. Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems (linear, quadratic, exponential (integer inputs only)).
A.CED.A.2: Create Equations in Two Variables
A. Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
2. Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales.

A.CED.A.4: Transform Formulas
A. Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
4. Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving equations. For example, rearrange Ohm’s law $V = IR$ to highlight resistance $R$.

A.REI.B.3: Solve Equations and Inequalities in One Variable.
B. Solve equations and inequalities in one variable.
3. Solve linear equations and inequalities in one variable, including equations with coefficients represented by letters (linear equations and inequalities only).

F.LE.B.5: Interpret Parts of an Expression or Equation
B. Interpret expressions for functions in terms of the situation they model.
5. Interpret the parameters in a linear or exponential function in terms of a context (linear and exponential of form $f(x) = bx + k$).

A.REI.D.10: Interpret Graphs as Sets of Solutions
D. Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.
10. Understand that the graph of an equation in two variables is the set of all its solutions plotted in the coordinate plane, often forming a curve (which could be a line).

S.ID.C.7: Interpret Slope and Intercept
C. Interpret linear models
7. Interpret the slope (rate of change) and the intercept (constant term) of a linear model in the context of the data.

F.IF.B.6: Calculate and Interpret Rate of Change
B. Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context.
6. Calculate and interpret the average rate of change of a function (presented symbolically or as a table) over a specified interval. Estimate the rate of change from a graph.

F.IF.B.4: Relate Graphs to Events
B. Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context.
4. For a function that models a relationship between two quantities, interpret key features of graphs and tables in terms of the quantities, and sketch graphs showing key features given a verbal description of the relationship. Key features include: intercepts; intervals where the function is increasing, decreasing, positive, or negative; relative maximums and minimums; symmetries; end behavior; and periodicity (linear, exponential and quadratic).
A.SSE.B.3c: Use Properties of Exponents to Transform Expressions

B. Write expressions in equivalent forms to solve problems.
3. Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression.

C. Use the properties of exponents to transform expressions for exponential functions. For example, the expression 

\[(1.15)^t \text{ can be rewritten as } \left(1.15^{\frac{1}{12}}\right)^{12t} \approx 1.012^{12t}\] to reveal the approximate equivalent monthly interest rate if the annual rate is 15%.

FUNCTIONS

F.IF.A.1: Define Functions
A. Understand the concept of a function and use function notation.
1. Understand that a function from one set (called the domain) to another set (called the range) assigns to each element of the domain exactly one element of the range. If \(f\) is a function and \(x\) is an element of its domain, then \(f(x)\) denotes the output of \(f\) corresponding to the input \(x\). The graph of \(f\) is the graph of the equation \(y = f(x)\).

F.IF.A.2: Use Function Notation
A. Understand the concept of a function and use function notation.
2. Use function notation, evaluate functions for inputs in their domains, and interpret statements that use function notation in terms of a context.

F.IF.A.3: Define Sequences as Functions
A. Understand the concept of a function and use function notation.
3. Recognize that sequences are functions, sometimes defined recursively, whose domain is a subset of the integers. For example, the Fibonacci sequence is defined recursively by 

\[f(0) = f(1) = 1, \quad f(n+1) = f(n) + f(n-1) \text{ for } n \geq 1.\]

F.IF.B.5: Use Sensible Domains and Ranges
B. Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context.
5. Relate the domain of a function to its graph and, where applicable, to the quantitative relationship it describes. For example, if the function \(h(n)\) gives the number of person-hours it takes to assemble \(n\) engines in a factory, then the positive integers would be an appropriate domain for the function \(y\) (linear, exponential and quadratic).

F.IF.C.7: Graph Root, Piecewise, Step, & Absolute Value Functions
C. Analyze functions using different representations.
7. Graph functions expressed symbolically and show key features of the graph, by hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases.

b. Graph square root, cube root, and piecewise-defined functions, including step functions and absolute value functions.
F.IF.C.9: Four Views of a Function
A. Analyze functions using different representations.
9. Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions). For example, given a graph of one quadratic function and an algebraic expression for another, say which has the larger maximum.

F.LE.A.1: Model Families of Functions
A. Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.
1. Distinguish between situations that can be modeled with linear functions and with exponential functions.
a. Prove that linear functions grow by equal differences over equal intervals, and that exponential functions grow by equal factors over equal intervals.
b. Recognize situations in which one quantity changes at a constant rate per unit interval relative to another.
c. Recognize situations in which a quantity grows or decays by a constant percent rate per unit interval relative to another.

F.LE.A.2: Construct a Function Rule from Other Views of a Function
A. Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.
2. Construct linear and exponential functions, including arithmetic and geometric sequences, given a graph, a description of a relationship, or two input-output pairs (include reading these from a table).

F.LE.A.3: Compare Families of Functions
A. Linear, Quadratic, & Exponential Models
Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.
3. Observe using graphs and tables that a quantity increasing exponentially eventually exceeds a quantity increasing linearly, quadratically, or (more generally) as a polynomial function.

F.BF.A.1: Model Explicit and Recursive Processes
A. Build a function that models a relationship between two quantities.
1. Write a function that describes a relationship between two quantities.
a. Determine an explicit expression, a recursive process, or steps for calculation from a context.

F.BF.B.3: Build New Functions from Existing Functions.
B. Build new functions from existing functions.
3. Identify the effect on the graph of replacing \( f(x) \) by \( f(x) + k \), \( k f(x) \), \( f(kx) \), and \( f(x + k) \) for specific values of \( k \) (both positive and negative); find the value of \( k \) given the graphs. Experiment with cases and illustrate an explanation of the effects on the graph using technology. Include recognizing even and odd functions from their graphs and algebraic expressions for them.

POLYNOMIALS and QUADRATICS
A.APR.A.1: Arithmetic Operations on Polynomials
A. Perform arithmetic operations on polynomials.
1. Understand that polynomials form a system analogous to the integers, namely, they are closed under the operations of addition, subtraction, and multiplication; add, subtract, and multiply polynomials (linear, quadratic).
A.APR.B.3: Find Zeros of Polynomials
B. Understand the relationship between zeros and factors of polynomials.
3. Identify zeros of polynomials when suitable factorizations are available, and use the zeros to construct a rough graph of the function defined by the polynomial.

A.SSE.A.2: Factor Polynomials
A. Interpret the structure of expressions.
2. Use the structure of an expression to identify ways to rewrite it. For example, see $x^4 - y^4$ as $(x^2)^2 - (y^2)^2$, thus recognizing it as a difference of squares that can be factored as $(x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)$ (linear, exponential, quadratic). Does not include factoring by grouping and factoring the sum and difference of cubes.

A.SSE.B.3a: Transform Quadratics by Factoring
B. Write expressions in equivalent forms to solve problems.
3. Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression.
a. Factor a quadratic expression to reveal the zeros of the function it defines. Includes trinomials with leading coefficients other than 1.

A.SSE.B.3b Transform Quadratics by Completing the Square
3. Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression.
b. Complete the square in a quadratic expression to reveal the max and min value of the function it defines.

F.IF.C.8: Identify Characteristics of Quadratics by Completing the Square
C. Analyze functions using different representations.
8. Write a function defined by an expression in different but equivalent forms to reveal and explain different properties of the function.
a. Use the process of factoring and completing the square in a quadratic function to show zeros, extreme values, and symmetry of the graph, and interpret these in terms of a context.

A.REI.B.4: Use Appropriate Strategies to Solve Quadratics
B. Solve equations and inequalities in one variable.
4. Solve quadratic equations in one variable.
a. Use the method of completing the square to transform any quadratic equation in $x$ into an equation of the form $(x - p)^2 = q$ that has the same solutions. Derive the quadratic formula from this form.
b. Solve quadratic equations by inspection (e.g., for $x^2 = 49$), taking square roots, completing the square, the quadratic formula and factoring, as appropriate to the initial form of the equation.
SYSTEMS

A-REI.C.5: Solve Systems by Elimination
C. Solve systems of equations.
5. Prove that, given a system of two equations in two variables, replacing one equation by the sum of that equation and a multiple of the other produces a system with the same solutions.

A-REI.C.6: Solve Linear Systems Algebraically and by Graphing
C. Solve systems of equations.
6. Solve systems of linear equations exactly and approximately (e.g., with graphs), focusing on pairs of linear equations in two variables.

A. REI.C.7: Solve Quadratic-Linear Systems
C. Solve systems of equations.
7. Solve a simple system consisting of a linear equation and a quadratic equation in two variables algebraically and graphically. For example, find the points of intersection between the line $y = -3x$ and the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 9$ (includes exponential-linear systems).

A. REI.D.11: Find and Explain Solutions of Systems
D. Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.
11. Explain why the $x$-coordinates of the points where the graphs of the equations $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ intersect are the solutions of the equation $f(x) = g(x)$; find the solutions approximately, e.g., using technology to graph the functions, make tables of values, or find successive approximations. Include cases where $f(x)$ and/or $g(x)$ are linear, polynomial, rational, absolute value, exponential, and logarithmic functions.

A. CED.A.3: Interpret Solutions
A. Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
3. Represent constraints by equations or inequalities, and by systems of equations and/or inequalities, and interpret solutions as viable or nonviable options in a modeling context. For example, represent inequalities describing nutritional and cost constraints on combinations of different foods (linear).

A. REI.D.12: Graph Systems of Inequalities
D. Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.
12. Graph the solutions to a linear inequality in two variables as a half-plane (excluding the boundary in the case of a strict inequality), and graph the solution set to a system of linear inequalities in two variables as the intersection of the corresponding half-planes.
N.RN.3: Use properties of rational and irrational numbers.

NUMBERS, OPERATIONS, AND PROPERTIES

N.RN.B.3: Use Properties of Rational and Irrational Numbers

B. Use properties of rational and irrational numbers.
3. Explain why the sum or product of two rational numbers is rational; that the sum of a rational number and an irrational number is irrational; and that the product of a nonzero rational number and an irrational number is irrational.

The Set of Real Numbers includes two major classifications of numbers: Irrational and Rational.

Irrational Numbers
Includes all non-repeating, non-terminating decimals.
Examples include:
π
square roots of all non-perfect square numbers
An irrational number is any number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers.

Rational Numbers
Includes fractions, repeating decimals, and terminating decimals.
Whole
Counting {1, 2, 3, ...}
(0, 1, 2, 3, ...)
(−3, −2, −1, 0, 1, 2, 3, ...)
A rational number is any number that can be expressed as the ratio of two integers.

Is a Number Irrational or Rational?

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<td>If a number is an integer, it is rational, since it can be expressed as a ratio with the integer as the numerator and 1 as the denominator. If a decimal is a repeating decimal, it is a rational number. If a decimal terminates, it is a rational number.</td>
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**Operations with Irrational and Rational Numbers**

**Addition and Subtraction:**
When two rational numbers are added or subtracted, the result is rational.
When two irrational numbers are added or subtracted, the result is irrational.
When an irrational number and a rational number are added or subtracted, the sum is irrational.

**Multiplication and Division:**
When two rational numbers are multiplied or divided, the product is rational.
When an irrational number and a non-zero rational number are multiplied or divided, the product is irrational.
When two irrational numbers are multiplied or divided, the product is sometimes rational and sometimes irrational.

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**REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD**

1. Ms. Fox asked her class "Is the sum of 4.2 and $\sqrt{2}$ rational or irrational?" Patrick answered that the sum would be irrational. State whether Patrick is correct or incorrect. Justify your reasoning.

2. Determine if the product of $3\sqrt{2}$ and $8\sqrt{18}$ is rational or irrational. Explain your answer.
3. Which statement is not always true?
   a. The sum of two rational numbers is rational.
   b. The product of two irrational numbers is rational.
   c. The sum of a rational number and an irrational number is irrational.
   d. The product of a nonzero rational number and an irrational number is irrational.

4. Given the following expressions:
   I. \( \frac{5}{8} + \frac{3}{5} \)
   II. \( \frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{2} \)
   III. \( \sqrt{5} \cdot \sqrt{5} \)
   IV. \( 3 \cdot \sqrt{49} \)

Which expression(s) result in an irrational number?
   a. II, only
   b. III, only
   c. I, III, IV
   d. II, III, IV

5. Given:
   \[ L = \sqrt{2} \]
   \[ M = 3\sqrt{3} \]
   \[ N = \sqrt{16} \]
   \[ P = \sqrt{9} \]

Which expression results in a rational number?
   a. \( L + M \)
   b. \( M + N \)
   c. \( N + P \)
   d. \( P + L \)
N.RN.3: Use properties of rational and irrational numbers.

Answer Section

1. **ANS:**
   Patrick is correct. The sum of a rational and irrational is irrational.

   Strategy: Determine whether 4.2 and $\sqrt{2}$ are rational or irrational numbers, then apply the rules of operations on rational and irrational numbers.

   4.2 is rational because it can be expressed as $\frac{42}{10}$, which is the ratio of two integers.
   $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational because it cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers.

   The rules of addition and subtraction of rational and irrational numbers are:
   When two rational numbers are added or subtracted, the result is rational.
   When two irrational numbers are added or subtracted, the result is irrational.
   When an irrational number and a rational number are added or subtracted, the sum is irrational.

   PTS: 2  REF: 011525ai  NAT: N.RN.B.3  TOP: Classifying Numbers

2. **ANS:**

   \[
   3\sqrt{2} \cdot 8\sqrt{18} \\
   3 \times 8 \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{18} \\
   24\sqrt{36} \\
   144
   \]

   The product is 144, which is rational, because it can be written as $\frac{144}{1}$, a ratio of two integers.

   PTS: 2  REF: 061626ai  NAT: N.RN.B.3  TOP: Classifying Numbers

3. **ANS: B**

   Strategy: Find a counterexample to prove one of the answer choices is not always true. This will usually involve the product or quotient of two irrational numbers since the outcomes of addition and subtraction of irrational numbers are more predictable.

   Answer choice b is not always true because: $\sqrt{2}$ and $\sqrt{3}$ are both irrational numbers, but $\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{2 \times 3} = \sqrt{6}$, and $\sqrt{6}$ is an irrational number, so the product of two irrational numbers is not always rational.

   PTS: 2  REF: 061508ai  NAT: N.RN.B.3  TOP: Classifying Numbers
4. ANS: A
Strategy: Eliminate wrong answers.
Expression I results in a rational number because the set of rational numbers is closed under addition.
\[
\frac{5}{8} + \frac{3}{5} = \frac{-25}{40} + \frac{24}{40} = \frac{-1}{40}
\]
Expression II is is correct because the addition of a rational number and an irrational number always results in an irrational number.
\[
\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{2} = 0.5 + 1.414203562\ldots = 1.914203562\ldots
\]
Expression III results in a rational number because \(\left(\sqrt{5}\right) \cdot \left(\sqrt{5}\right) = \sqrt{25} = 5 = \frac{5}{1}\), which is the ratio of two integers.
Expression IV results in a rational number because \(3 \cdot \left(\sqrt{49}\right) = 3 \cdot 7 = 21 = \frac{21}{1}\), which the ratio of two integers.
Expression II is the only expression that results in an irrational number, so Choice (a) is the correct answer.

PTS: 2 REF: 011604ai NAT: N.RN.B.3 TOP: Classifying Numbers

5. ANS: C
\[
\sqrt{16} + \sqrt{9} = \frac{7}{1}
\]
may be expressed as the ratio of two integers.
Strategy: Recall that under the operation of addition, the addition of two irrational numbers and the addition of an irrational number and a rational number will always result in a sum that is irrational. To get a rational number as a sum, you must add two rational numbers.

STEP 1 Determine whether numbers L, M, N, and P are rational, then reject any answer choice that does not contain two rational numbers.
\[
L = \sqrt{2} \text{ is irrational}
\]
\[
M = 3\sqrt{3} \text{ is irrational}
\]
\[
N = \sqrt{16} = 4 \text{ and is rational}
\]
\[
P = \sqrt{9} = 3 \text{ and is rational}
\]
STEP 2 Reject any answer choice that does not include \(N + P\). Choose answer choice c.
N.Q.A.1  Use Units to Solve Problems

NUMBERS, OPERATIONS, AND PROPERTIES

N.Q.A.1: Use Units to Solve Problems

A. Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.
1. Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays.

Vocabulary

A **scale** is a ratio of the measurement of a model to the measurement of the real thing.

Example. A toy car is 1 foot long. The real car it represents is 20 feet long. The scale of the model is:

\[
\frac{\text{measurement of toy car}}{\text{measurement of real car}} = \frac{1 \text{ feet}}{20 \text{ feet}} = \frac{1}{20}
\]

The word **scale** also refers to what you mark on the axes of a graph. The marks you make on a graph are called **scale** intervals, and the distance between each mark must be equal (represent the same number of units).

**Conversions** are sometimes necessary when working with units. A **conversion** occurs when you change the units of a scale.

Example: Suppose you are working with units that are expressed in feet, but want your answer to be in units expressed as inches.

Feet may be **converted** to inches by using the ratio of \(\frac{12 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ foot}}\).

Twenty feet may be **converted** to inches by using proportions (equivalent ratios), as follows:

\[
\begin{array}{c|c|c}
\text{inches} & 12 & x \\
\text{feet} & 1 & 20 \\
\end{array}
\]

Using cross multiplication, we can solve for \(x\).

\[
20 \times 12 = 1 \times x \\
240 = x
\]

The are 240 inches in 20 feet.

**Per** usually means “for each” when used with units.

- Miles per hour means miles for each hour and can be expressed as the ratio \(\frac{\text{miles}}{1 \text{ hour}}\).
- Miles per gallon means miles for each gallon and can be expressed as the ratio \(\frac{\text{miles}}{1 \text{ gallon}}\).

**Conversions Chart Used in Regents Algebra 1 (Common Core) Exams**

| 1 inch = 2.54 centimeters | 1 kilometer = 0.62 mile | 1 cup = 8 fluid ounces |
| 1 meter = 39.37 inches | 1 pound = 16 ounces | 1 pint = 2 cups |
| 1 mile = 5280 feet | 1 pound = 0.454 kilogram | 1 quart = 2 pints |
| 1 mile = 1760 yards | 1 kilogram = 2.2 pounds | 1 gallon = 4 quarts |
| 1 mile = 1.609 kilometers | 1 ton = 2000 pounds | 1 gallon = 3.785 liters |

1 liter = 0.264 gallon
1 liter = 1000 cubic centimeters
Big Idea #1
Units can cancel!

Cancellation of Units: Cancellation can be used with units.
Examples:

$$\frac{1 \text{ yard}}{3 \text{ feet}} \times \frac{27 \text{ feet}}{1} = \frac{1 \text{ yard} \times 27}{3} = \frac{27 \text{ yards}}{3}$$

To find the number of seconds in a year, use cancellation of units.

$$\frac{60 \text{ seconds}}{1 \text{ minute}} \times \frac{60 \text{ minutes}}{1 \text{ hour}} \times \frac{24 \text{ hours}}{1 \text{ day}} \times \frac{365 \text{ days}}{1 \text{ year}} = \frac{60 \text{ seconds} \times 60 \times 24 \times 365}{1 \times 1 \times 1 \times 1 \text{ year}} = \frac{30,536,000 \text{ seconds}}{1 \text{ year}}$$

Big Idea #2
Knowing the units is important when interpreting graphs!

A graph is one view of the relationship between two variables. The variables are measured in specific units, which are very important to understanding the meaning of the graph.

Example: The two graphs below are from different Regents problems. The units for the x-axis are the same, but the units for the y-axis are different. The different units for the y-axes require different interpretations of the two graphs.
1. Peyton is a sprinter who can run the 40-yard dash in 4.5 seconds. He converts his speed into miles per hour, as shown below.

\[
\frac{40 \text{ yd}}{4.5 \text{ sec}} \cdot \frac{3 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ yd}} \frac{5280 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ mi}} \frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}} \frac{60 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ hr}}
\]

Which ratio is *incorrectly* written to convert his speed?

a. \(\frac{3 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ yd}}\)  
b. \(\frac{5280 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ mi}}\)  
c. \(\frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}}\)  
d. \(\frac{60 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ hr}}\)

2. Dan took 12.5 seconds to run the 100-meter dash. He calculated the time to be approximately

a. 0.2083 minute  
b. 750 minutes  
c. 0.2083 hour  
d. 0.52083 hour
N.Q.A.1 Use Units to Solve Problems

Answer Section

1. ANS: B

Strategy: Work through each step of the problem and ask the DIMS question. Does It Make Sense.

STEP 1. \( \frac{40 \text{ yards}}{4.5 \text{ seconds}} \times \frac{3 \text{ feet}}{1 \text{ yard}} = \frac{120 \text{ feet}}{4.5 \text{ seconds}} \)

This makes sense. The yard units cancel and Peyton’s speed becomes measured in feet per second instead of yards per second. We take the ratio of \( \frac{120 \text{ feet}}{4.5 \text{ seconds}} \) to the next step in our analysis.

STEP 2. \( \frac{120 \text{ feet}}{4.5 \text{ seconds}} \times \frac{5280 \text{ feet}}{1 \text{ mile}} = \frac{120 \times 5280 \text{ feet}^2}{4.5 \text{ seconds} \times 1 \text{ mile}} \)

This does not make sense. The speed of a runner would not be measured in \( \text{feet}^2 \) per second miles. The problem is that the numerator and denominator are switched. It should be \( \frac{1 \text{ mile}}{5280 \text{ feet}^2} \). When the numerator and denominator are changed, the problem becomes

\( \frac{120 \text{ feet}}{4.5 \text{ seconds}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mile}}{5280 \text{ feet}^2} = \frac{120 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \text{ seconds}} \).

The feet units cancel and our measurement of Peyton’s speed has distance over time, which makes sense. Answer choice b is selected to show that this ratio is incorrectly written.

STEP 3. Though we have solved the problem, we can continue our step by step analysis by taking the ratio of \( \frac{120 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \text{ seconds}} \) to the next step in our analysis. The problem now becomes

\( \frac{120 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \text{ seconds}} \times \frac{60 \text{ seconds}}{1 \text{ minute}} = \frac{120 \times 60 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \times 1 \text{ minutes}} = \frac{72,000 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \text{ minutes}} \).

This makes sense. The seconds units cancel and we again have distance over miles. We take the ratio \( \frac{72,000 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \text{ minutes}} \) to the next step.

STEP 4. \( \frac{72,000 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \text{ minutes}} \times \frac{60 \text{ minutes}}{1 \text{ hour}} = \frac{72,000 \times 60 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \times 1 \text{ hours} = \frac{432,000 \text{ miles}}{23,760 \text{ hours}} = 18 \frac{2}{11} \text{ miles per hour} \). This makes sense. Peyton is a fast sprinter.

PTS: 2  REF: 011502ai  NAT: N.Q.A.1  TOP: Conversions
2. ANS: A

Step 1. Read both the question and the answers. Understand that the problem is asking you to convert seconds into either minutes or hours. The 100 meters is constant, so it is not important to the problem of converting time into minutes or hours.

Step 2. Create two proportions using the conversion rates of 1) 60 seconds per minute; and 2) 3600 seconds per hour, to express 12.5 seconds in minutes and hours.

Step 3. Execute the strategy.

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The correct choice is a), 12.5 seconds equals 0.2083 minutes.

4. Does it make sense? Yes. It is obvious that 12.5 seconds does not equal 750 minutes (choice b) and it is also obvious that 12.5 seconds is not more than half an hour (choice d). The only choice that is less than a minute is choice a), and 12.5 seconds is definitely less than a minute.

PTS: 2 REF: 061608ai NAT: N.Q.A.1 TOP: Conversions
KEY: dimensional analysis
A.REI.A.1: Understand Solving Equations as a Process of Reasoning and Explain the Reasoning.

NUMBERS, OPERATIONS, AND PROPERTIES
A.REI.A.1: Understand Solving Equations as a Process of Reasoning and Explaining

A. Understand solving equations as a process of reasoning and explain the reasoning.
1. Explain each step in solving a simple equation as following from the equality of numbers asserted at the previous step, starting from the assumption that the original equation has a solution. Construct a viable argument to justify a solution method. (linear).

PROPERTIES

Commutative Properties of Addition and Multiplication
For all real numbers a and b:
\[ a + b = b + a \]
\[ a \cdot b = b \cdot a \]

Associative Properties of Addition and Multiplication
For all real numbers a, b, and c:
\[ (a + b) + c = a + (b + c) \]
\[ (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c) \]

Distributive Properties of Addition and Multiplication
\[ a(b + c) = ab + ac \]
\[ a(b - c) = ab - ac \]
\[ (b + c)a = ba + ca \]
\[ (b - c)a = ba - ca \]

Addition Property of Equality
The addition of the same number or expression to both sides of an equation results is permitted.

Multiplication Property of Equality
The multiplication of both sides of an equation by the same number or expression is permitted.

IDENTITY ELEMENTS

Identity Element: The identity element is always associated with an operation. The identity element for a given operation is the element that preserves the identity of other elements under the given operation.

Addition
The identity element for addition is the number 0
\[ a + 0 = a \text{ and } 0 + a = a \]
The number 0 does not change the value of other numbers under addition.

Multiplication
The identity element for multiplication is the number 1
\[ a \cdot 1 = a \text{ and } 1 \cdot a = a \]
The number 1 does not change the value of other numbers under multiplication.
Inverse Properties of Addition and Multiplication

Inverse: The inverse of a number or expression under a given operation will result in the identity element for that operation. Therefore, it is necessary to know what the identity element of an operation is before finding the inverse of a given number or expression.

Addition
The additive inverse of a number or expression results in 0 under addition.

\[ a + (-a) = 0 \] and \[ (-a) + a = 0 \]

\[ (x + y) + (-x - y) = 0 \] and \[ (-x - y) + (x + y) = 0 \]

Multiplication
The multiplicative inverse of a number or expression results in 1 under multiplication.

\[ a \times \frac{1}{a} = 1 \] and \[ \frac{1}{a} \times a = 1 \]

\[ \left( x + y \right) \left( \frac{1}{x + y} \right) = 1 \] and \[ \left( \frac{1}{x + y} \right) (x + y) = 1 \]

REGENTS PROBLEM TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. When solving the equation \( 4(3x^2 + 2) - 9 = 8x^2 + 7 \), Emily wrote \( 4(3x^2 + 2) = 8x^2 + 16 \) as her first step. Which property justifies Emily's first step?
   a. addition property of equality
   b. commutative property of addition
   c. multiplication property of equality
   d. distributive property of multiplication over addition
A.REI.A.1: Understand Solving Equations as a Process of Reasoning and Explain the Reasoning.

Answer Section

1. ANS: A
   Strategy: Identify what changed during Emily’s first step, then identify the property associated with what changed.

   \[4(3x^2 + 2) - 9 = 8x^2 + 7\]
   \[4(3x^2 + 2) = 8x^2 + 16\]

   Emily moved the \(-9\) term from the left expression of the equation to the right expression of the equation by adding \(+9\) to both the left and right expressions.

   Adding an equal amount to both sides of an equation is associated with the addition property of equality.

PTS: 2    REF: 061401ai    NAT: A.REI.A.1    TOP: Identifying Properties
S.ID.A.1 Dot Plots, Histograms, and Box Plots

GRAPHS AND STATISTICS

S.ID.A.1: Dot Plots, Histograms, and Box Plots

A. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable

1. Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots).

univariate A set of data involving one variable.

multivariate A set of data involving more than one variable.

A dot plot consists of data points plotted on a simple scale. Dot plots are used for continuous, quantitative, univariate data. Data points may be labelled if there are few of them. The horizontal axis is a number line that displays the data in equal intervals. The frequency of each bar is shown by the number of dots on the vertical axis.

Example: This dot plot shows how many hours students exercise each week. Fifteen students were asked how many hours they exercise in one week.

![Dot Plot Example](image)

A histogram is a frequency distribution for continuous, quantitative, univariate data. The horizontal axis is a number line that displays the data in equal intervals. The frequency of each bar is shown on the vertical axis.

Example: This histogram shows the number of students in Simpson’s class that are in each interval. The students were asked how many hours they spent playing video games in one week.

![Histogram Example](image)

A box plot, also known as a box and whiskers chart, is a visual display of a set of data showing the five number summary: minimum, first quartile, median, third quartile, and maximum. A box plot shows the range of scores within each quarter of the data. It is useful for examining the variation in a set of data and comparing the variation of more than one set of data.

![Box Plot Example](image)
Example:

Annual food expenditures per household in the U.S. in 2005

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<td>$6431</td>
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median $5630

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. The dot plot shown below represents the number of pets owned by students in a class.

Which statement about the data is not true?

a. The median is 3.  
   c. The mean is 3.

b. The interquartile range is 2.  
   d. The data contain no outliers.

2. Which statistic can not be determined from a box plot representing the scores on a math test in Mrs. DeRidder’s algebra class?

a. the lowest score  
   c. the highest score

b. the median score  
   d. the score that occurs most frequently
3. Robin collected data on the number of hours she watched television on Sunday through Thursday nights for a period of 3 weeks. The data are shown in the table below.

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Using an appropriate scale on the number line below, construct a box plot for the 15 values.
1. ANS: C
Step 1. Understand that the problem is asking you to apply different statistical measures to the data in the dot plot and find the one answer choice that is not true.
Step 2. Strategy: Evaluate each answer choice and eliminate wrong answers.
Step 3. Execution of Strategy
a) To evaluate this answer choice, the median (middle) of the ordered data elements must be identified. There are 20 dots, so the middle is somewhere between the 10th and 11th dots. Counting 10 dots from either end, the median will occur in the 3 column. The median is 3, so answer a) must be eliminated.
b) To evaluate this answer, the interquartile range must be calculated. The interquartile range is defined as the distance between the first and third quartiles in an ordered distribution. The dot plot has 20 dots. Since each quartile contains 25% of the dots, each quartile will contain 25% of 20 dots, which equals 5 dots.
   Q1 ends after five dots, so Q1=2.
   Q2 ends after 10 dots, so Q2=10.
   Q3 ends after 15 dots, so Q3=4.
The interquartile range is computed as Q3-Q2. In this dot plot, the interquartile range is 2, so answer b) is true and must be eliminated.
c) The mean for this data plot can be calculated as follows:
   \[
   \overline{X} = \frac{0 + 0 + 1 + 1 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 5 + 5 + 6}{20}
   \]
   \[
   \overline{X} = \frac{55}{20}
   \]
   \[
   \overline{X} = 2.75
   \]
Answer c) is not true, because the mean of this data set is 2.75. Therefore, answer choice c) is the correct answer.
d) The data has no outliers. This is true by inspection. All the data is close together and there are no large gaps between the data. Hence, there are no outliers and choice d) must be eliminated.
Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. Three answer choices have been shown to be true and one answer choice has been shown to be false. The statement that is not true is choice c).

median = 3, IQR = 4 - 2 = 2, \(\overline{x} = 2.75\). An outlier is outside the interval \([Q_1 - 1.5(\text{IQR}), Q_3 + 1.5(\text{IQR})]\).
\([2 - 1.5(2), 4 + 1.5(2)]\)
\([-1, 7]\)

PTS: 2
REF: 061620ai
NAT: S.ID.A.1
TOP: Dot Plots

2. ANS: D
A box plot is also known as a box and whiskers chart and shows the following five statistics:
1. The minimum score.
2. Q1, which is the top of the first quartile.
3. Q2, which is also the median score and the top of the second quartile.
4. Q3, which is the top of the third quartile.
5. The maximum score.
The interquartile range can be determined by subtracting Q1 from Q2.

PTS: 2
REF: 081603ai
NAT: S.ID.A.1
3. ANS:

Strategy: Follow these step-by-step procedures for creating a box and whiskers plot.

STEP 1. Organize the data set in ascending order, as follows. Be sure to include all the data:
1, 1.5, 1.5, 2, 2, 2.5, 2.5, 3, 3, 3, 3.5, 4, 4, 4.5, 5

STEP 2. Plot a scale on the number line. In this case, the scale is 0 to five in equal intervals of .5 units.

STEP 3. Plot the minimum and maximum values: minimum = 1 and maximum = 2.

STEP 4. Identify the median. In this problem, there are fifteen numbers and the median is the middle number, which is 3. There are seven numbers to the left of 3 and seven numbers to the right of 3.

STEP 5. Plot and label the median = 3 (also known as Q2 or the second quartile).

STEP 6. Identify Q1, which is the median of the bottom half of the organized data set. The bottom half of the data includes all numbers below the median, which in this problem, includes the following numbers:
1, 1.5, 1.5, 2, 2, 2.5, 2.5
The middle number in an organized list of seven numbers is the fourth number, which in this case is a 2.

STEP 7. Plot and label Q1 = 2.

STEP 8. Identify Q3, which is the median of the top half of the organized data set. The top half of the data includes all numbers above the median, which in this problem, includes the following numbers:
3, 3, 3.5, 4, 4, 4.5, 5
Again, the middle number in an organized list of seven numbers is the fourth number, which in this case is a 4.

STEP 9. Plot and label Q3 = 4.

STEP 10. Finish the box plot by drawing boxes between the plotted points for Q1, Q2, and Q3.
S.ID.A.2 Central Tendency and Dispersion

**GRAPHS AND STATISTICS**

**S.ID.A.2: Central Tendency and Dispersion**

A. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable
2. Use statistics appropriate to the shape of the data distribution to compare center (median, mean) and spread (interquartile range, standard deviation) of two or more different data sets.

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**Measures of Central Tendency**

A measure of central tendency is a summary statistic that indicates the typical value or center of an organized data set. The three most common measures of central tendency are the mean, median, and mode.

**Mean** A measure of central tendency denoted by $\bar{x}$, read “x bar”, that is calculated by adding the data values and then dividing the sum by the number of values. Also known as the arithmetic mean or arithmetic average. The algebraic formula for the mean is:

$$\text{Mean} = \frac{\text{Sum of items}}{\text{Count}} = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \ldots + x_n}{n}$$

**Median** A measure of central tendency that is, or indicates, the middle of a data set when the data values are arranged in ascending or descending order. *If there is no middle number, the median is the average of the two middle numbers.*

Examples:
The median of the set of numbers: {2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 13} is 6
The median of the set of numbers: {6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 17} is 9.5

**Mode** A measure of central tendency that is given by the data value(s) that occur(s) most frequently in the data set.

Examples:
The mode of the set of numbers {5, 6, 8, 6, 5, 3, 5, 4} is 5.
The modes of the set of numbers {4, 6, 7, 4, 3, 7, 9, 1,10} are 4 and 7.
The mode of the set of numbers {0, 5, 7, 12, 15, 3} is none or there is no mode.

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**Measures of Spread**

**Interquartile Range:** The difference between the first and third quartiles; a measure of variability resistant to outliers.

**Standard Deviation:** A measure of variability. Standard deviation measures the average distance of a data element from the mean. There are two types of standard deviations: population and sample.

**Population Standard Deviation:** If data is taken from the entire population, divide by $n$ when averaging the squared deviations. The following is the formula for population standard deviation:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n}}$$
Sample Standard Deviation: If data is taken from a sample instead of the entire population, divide by \( n - 1 \) when averaging the squared deviations. This results in a larger standard deviation. The following is the formula for sample standard deviation:

\[
s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1}}
\]

Tips for Computing Standard Deviations:
Use the STATS function of a graphing calculator to calculate standard deviation. Remember that the sample standard deviation (s) will be larger than the population standard deviation (\( \sigma \)).
1. Use STATS EDIT to input the data set.
2. Use STATS CALC 1-Var Stats to calculate standard deviations.

The outputs include:
- \( \bar{x} \), which is the mean (average),
- \( \sum x \), which is the sum of the data set.
- \( \sum x^2 \), which is the sum of the squares of the data set.
- \( S_x \), which is the sample standard deviation.
- \( \sigma \), which is the population standard deviation.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. Corinne is planning a beach vacation in July and is analyzing the daily high temperatures for her potential destination. She would like to choose a destination with a high median temperature and a small interquartile range. She constructed box plots shown in the diagram below.

Which destination has a median temperature above 80 degrees and the smallest interquartile range?
- a. Ocean Beach
- b. Whispering Palms
- c. Serene Shores
- d. Pelican Beach
2. Christopher looked at his quiz scores shown below for the first and second semester of his Algebra class.
   Semester 1: 78, 91, 88, 83, 94
   Semester 2: 91, 96, 80, 77, 88, 85, 92
Which statement about Christopher's performance is correct?
   a. The interquartile range for semester 1 is greater than the interquartile range for semester 2.
   b. The median score for semester 1 is greater than the median score for semester 2.
   c. The mean score for semester 2 is greater than the mean score for semester 1.
   d. The third quartile for semester 2 is greater than the third quartile for semester 1.

3. The two sets of data below represent the number of runs scored by two different youth baseball teams over the course of a season.
   Team A: 4, 8, 5, 12, 3, 9, 5, 2
   Team B: 5, 9, 11, 4, 6, 11, 2, 7
Which set of statements about the mean and standard deviation is true?
   a. mean A < mean B, standard deviation A > standard deviation B
   b. mean A > mean B, standard deviation A < standard deviation B
   c. mean A < mean B, standard deviation A < standard deviation B
   d. mean A > mean B, standard deviation A > standard deviation B
S.ID.A.2  Central Tendency and Dispersion

Answer Section

1. ANS: D
   Strategy: Eliminate wrong answers based on daily high temperatures, then eliminate wrong answers based on size of interquartile ranges.

   Ocean Breeze and Serene Shores can be eliminated because they do not have median high temperatures above 80 degrees. Whispering Palms and Pelican Beach do have median high temperatures above 80 degrees, so the correct answer must be either Whispering Palms or Pelican Beach.

   The interquartile range is defined as the difference between the first and third quartiles. Pelican Beach has a much smaller interquartile range than Whispering Palms, so Pelican Beach is the correct choice.

   PTS: 2  REF: 011514ai  NAT: S.ID.A.2  TOP: Central Tendency and Dispersion

2. ANS: C
   Strategy: Compute the mean, Q1, Q2, Q3, and interquartile range for each semester, then choose the correct answer based on the data.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Mean</th>
<th>Q1</th>
<th>Median (Q2)</th>
<th>Q3</th>
<th>IQR</th>
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<tr>
<td>Semester 1</td>
<td>86.8</td>
<td>80.5</td>
<td>88</td>
<td>92.5</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Semester 2</td>
<td>87</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>88</td>
<td>92</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

   PTS: 2  REF: 061419ai  NAT: S.ID.A.2  TOP: Central Tendency and Dispersion
3. ANS: A
Strategy: Compute the mean and standard deviations for both teams, then select the correct answer.

STEP 1. Enter the two sets of data into the STAT function of a graphing calculator, then select the first list (Team A) and run 1-Variable statistics, as shown below:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>L1</th>
<th>L2</th>
<th>L3</th>
<th>EDIT</th>
<th>CALC</th>
<th>TESTS</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>1-Var Stats</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>9</td>
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<td>X=6</td>
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<td>12</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>X=6.875</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Sx=3.16227766</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>2</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Sx=3.059309563</td>
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<tr>
<td>L1 = (4, 8, 5, 12, 3, 2)</td>
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STEP 2. Repeat STEP 1 for the second list (Team B).

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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Sx=3.059309563</td>
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<tr>
<td>L2 = (5, 9, 11, 4, 6)</td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

STEP 3. Use the data from the graphing calculator to choose the correct answer.
Choice a: mean A < mean B
6 < 6.875
standard deviation A > standard deviation B
3.16227766 > 3.059309563
Both statements in choice A are true.

A: \( \bar{x} = 6; \sigma_x = 3.16 \)  B: \( \bar{x} = 6.875; \sigma_x = 3.06 \)

PTS: 2  REF: 081519ai  NAT: S.ID.A.2  TOP: Central Tendency and Dispersion
S.ID.A.3  Outliers/Extreme Data Points

GRAPHS AND STATISTICS

S.ID.A.3  Outliers/Extreme Data Points

A. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable

3. Interpret differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers).

Vocabulary

**Outlier**  An observation point that is distant from other observations.

**Big Idea**

An outlier can significantly influence the measures of central tendency and/or spread in a data set.

**Measures of Central Tendency**

**Mean**  Mean \( \frac{\text{Sum of items}}{\text{Count}} = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \ldots + x_n}{n} \)

**Median**  Arrange data set in ascending order, find the middle number.

**Quartiles**  These are the three numbers that divide the data set into four parts, or quarters.

- To find quartiles, first find the median, which separates the data set into two halves.
- Q1  The first quartile is the median of the lower half of the data set, below the median.
- Q2  The second quartile is the median of the entire data set.
- Q3  The third quartile is the median of the upper half of the data set, above the median.

**Mode**  The most common number(s) in a data set.

**Measures of Spread (Dispersion)**

**Interquartile Range:**  The difference between the first and third quartiles; a measure of variability resistant to outliers.

**Standard Deviation:**  A measure of variability. **Standard deviation** measures the average distance of a data element from the mean.

For additional information, see also S.ID.A.2  Central Tendency and Dispersion
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. The table below shows the annual salaries for the 24 members of a professional sports team in terms of millions of dollars.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>0.5</th>
<th>0.5</th>
<th>0.6</th>
<th>0.7</th>
<th>0.75</th>
<th>0.8</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>1.25</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>1.4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1.4</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>2.5</td>
<td>3.7</td>
<td>3.8</td>
<td>4.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4.2</td>
<td>4.6</td>
<td>5.1</td>
<td>6.0</td>
<td>6.3</td>
<td>7.2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The team signs an additional player to a contract worth 10 million dollars per year. Which statement about the median and mean is true?

a. Both will increase.  
b. Only the median will increase.  
c. Only the mean will increase.  
d. Neither will change.
S.ID.A.3  Outliers/Extreme Data Points

Answer Section

1. ANS: C
Median remains at 1.4.

Strategy:
Compare the current median and mean to the new median and mean:

STEP 1. Compare the medians:
The data are already in ascending order, so the median is the middle number. In this case, the data set contains 24 elements - an even number of elements. This means there are two middle numbers, both of which are 1.4. When the data set contains an even number of elements, the median is the average of the two middle numbers, which in this case is \[ \frac{1.4 + 1.4}{2} = 1.4 \]

The new data set will contain 10 as an additional element, which brings the total number of elements to 25. The new median will be the 13th element, which is 1.4.

The current median and the new median are the same, so we can eliminate answer choices a and b.

STEP 2. Compare the means:
The mean will increase because the additional element (10) is bigger than any current element. It is not necessary to do the calculations. We can eliminate answer choice d.

DIMS? Does it make sense that the answer is choice c?
Yes. The median will stay and 1.4 and only the mean will increase.

PTS: 2      REF: 061520ai      NAT: S.ID.A.3      TOP: Central Tendency and Dispersion
S.ID.B.5: Frequency Tables

GRAPHS AND STATISTICS
S.ID.B.5: Frequency Tables

B. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables.
5. Summarize categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. Interpret relative frequencies in the context of the data (including joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies). Recognize possible associations and trends in the data. (Focus is on linear relationships and general principles).

frequency table A table that shows how often each item, number, or range of numbers occurs in a set of data.

Example: The data \{5,7,6,8,9,5,13,2,1,6,5,14,10,5,9\}
can be displayed as a frequency distribution in a table.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Interval</th>
<th>Frequency</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1-5</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6-10</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11-15</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

NOTES: It is sometimes easier to arrange the data in ascending or descending order when making a frequency table. Here is the data set that is summarized in the preceding table in both original and ascending orders.

\{5,7,6,8,9,5,13,2,1,6,5,14,10,5,9\}
\{1,2,5,5,5,5,7,6,6,8,9,9,10,13,14\}

When rearranging data sets and/or building frequency tables, it is a good practice to count the data elements to make sure that all elements have been included.

REGENTS PROBLEM

1. A public opinion poll was taken to explore the relationship between age and support for a candidate in an election. The results of the poll are summarized in the table below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Age</th>
<th>For</th>
<th>Against</th>
<th>No Opinion</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>21-40</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>41-60</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 60</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

What percent of the 21-40 age group was for the candidate?

a. 15  c. 40
b. 25  d. 60
2. A statistics class surveyed some students during one lunch period to obtain opinions about television programming preferences. The results of the survey are summarized in the table below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Programming Preferences</th>
<th>Comedy</th>
<th>Drama</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Male</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>35</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Female</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>42</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Based on the sample, predict how many of the school's 351 males would prefer comedy. Justify your answer.
S.ID.B.5: Frequency Tables

Answer Section

1. ANS: D
   Step 1. Understand that the problem is only interested in the percent for the candidate in the 21-40 age group. The bottom two rows of the table are not relevant to the problem.
   Step 2. Strategy. Determine the total number of poll responses in the 21-40 age group and what percentage of these responses were for the candidate.
   Step 3. Execute the strategy.
   \[
   \frac{\text{for}}{\text{total}} \cdot \frac{30}{50} = 60\% 
   \]
   Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. We know that 30 responses were for the candidate. Choices a), b), and c) are wrong because: a) 15% of 50 is .15 \times 50 = 7.5; b) 25% of 50 is .25 \times 50 = 12.5; and c) 40% of 50 is .40 \times 50 = 20. Choice d) is the only correct answer because 60% of 50 is .50 \times 50 = 30.

PTS: 2    REF: 061615ai    NAT: S.ID.B.5    TOP: Frequency Tables

2. ANS: 234 of the school’s 351 males prefer comedy based on the sample.
   Step 1. Understand that the table is only a sample of the population, and the population of males is 351. Assume that the sample was not biased.
   Step 2. Strategy. Determine the percent (or fraction) of the males in the sample that prefer comedy, then apply that percent to the total population.
   Step 3. Execution of strategy.
   \[
   \frac{70}{105} = \frac{2}{3} = 66.67\% 
   \]
   Based on the sample, \( \frac{2}{3} \text{ of 351} = 234 \).
   Step 4. Does it make sense. Yes, if \( \frac{2}{3} \) of the males in the sample prefer comedy, we can predict that \( \frac{2}{3} \) of the males in the population will prefer comedy.

PTS: 2    REF: 011630ai    NAT: S.ID.B.5    TOP: Frequency Tables
S.ID.B.6a: Linear, Quadratic, and Exponential Regression

**GRAPHS AND STATISTICS**

**S.ID.B.6a: Linear, Quadratic and Exponential Regression**

B. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables

6. Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related.

a. Fit a function to the data; use functions fitted to data to solve problems in the context of the data. Use given functions or choose a function suggested by the context. Emphasize linear, quadratic, and exponential models. Includes the use of the regression capabilities of the calculator.

**Regression Model**: A function (e.g., linear, exponential, power, logarithmic) that fits a set of paired data. The model may enable other values of the dependent variable to be predicted.

**Big Ideas**

- The **individual data points** in a **scatterplot** form **data clouds** with shapes that suggest relationships between dependent and independent variables.

A **line of best fit** divides the data cloud into two equal parts with about the same number of data points on each side of the line.

**Sum of the Squares**: Mathematically speaking, a line of best fit is the line that produces the smallest sum of the squares. In the following diagram, the distance between each point and the line is measured vertically and then squared.

![Diagram of scatterplot with line of best fit]

The line that produces the smallest sum of the squares is the line of best fit.

In linear regression, the line of best fit will always go through the point \((\bar{x}, \bar{y})\), where \(\bar{x}\) is the mean of all values of \(x\), and \(\bar{y}\) is the mean of all values of \(y\). For example, the line of best fit for a scatterplot with points (2,5), (4,7) and (8,11) must include the point \(\left(\frac{14}{3}, \frac{23}{3}\right)\), because these \(x\) and \(y\) values are the averages of all the \(x\)-values and all the \(y\)-values.

**Calculating Regression Equations**: Technology is almost always used to calculate regression equations.

- **STEP 1**: Use STATS EDIT to input the data into a graphing calculator.
- **STEP 2**: Use 2nd STAT PLOT to turn on a data set, then ZOOM 9 to inspect the graph of the data and determine which regression strategy will best fit the data.
- **STEP 3**: Use STAT CALC and the appropriate regression type to obtain the regression equation.
- **STEP 4**: Ask the question, “Does it Make Sense (DIMS)?”
DIFFERENT TYPES OF REGRESSION

The graphing calculator can calculate numerous types of regression equations, but it must be told which type to calculate. All of the calculator procedures described above can be used with various types of regression. The following screenshots show some of the many regressions that can be calculated on the TI-83/84 family of graphing calculators.

The general purpose of linear regression is to make predictions based on a line of best fit.

Choosing the Correct Type of Regression to Calculate

There are two general approaches to determining the type of regression to calculate:

- The decision of which type of regression to calculate can be made based on visual examination of the data cloud, or.
- On Regents examinations, the wording of the problem often specifies a particular type of regression to be used.

Using the Data Cloud to Select the Correct Regression Calculation Program

If the data cloud takes the general form of a straight line, use **linear regression**.

If the data cloud takes the general form of a parabola, use **quadratic regression**.

If the data cloud takes the general form of an exponential curve, use **exponential regression**.

NOTE: All equations in the form of $y = ax^n$, where $a \neq 0$ and $n > 1$ and $n$ is an odd number, take the form of parabolas. The larger the value of $n$, the wider the flat part at the bottom/top. Use quadratic or power regression.

NOTE: All equations in the form of $y = ax^n$, where $a \neq 0$ and $n > 1$ and $n$ is an even number, take the form of hyperbolas. The larger the value of $n$, the wider the flat part in the middle. Use cubic or power regression.

**Note:** In all previous Regents problems requiring the calculation of power regression, the wording of the problem specifically called for power regression.
1. An application developer released a new app to be downloaded. The table below gives the number of downloads for the first four weeks after the launch of the app.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of Weeks</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Number of Downloads</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>180</td>
<td>270</td>
<td>405</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Write an exponential equation that models these data. Use this model to predict how many downloads the developer would expect in the 26th week if this trend continues. Round your answer to the nearest download. Would it be reasonable to use this model to predict the number of downloads past one year? Explain your reasoning.

2. The table below shows the number of grams of carbohydrates, $x$, and the number of Calories, $y$, of six different foods.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Carbohydrates ($x$)</th>
<th>Calories ($y$)</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>120</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9.5</td>
<td>138</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>147</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>98</td>
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<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>108</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>62</td>
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</table>

Which equation best represents the line of best fit for this set of data?

a. $y = 15x$

b. $y = 0.07x$

c. $y = 0.1x - 0.4$

d. $y = 14.1x + 5.8$
3. Write an exponential equation for the graph shown below.

![Graph Image]

Explain how you determined the equation.

4. The table below shows the attendance at a museum in select years from 2007 to 2013.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>2007</th>
<th>2008</th>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2011</th>
<th>2013</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Attendance (millions)</strong></td>
<td>8.3</td>
<td>8.5</td>
<td>8.5</td>
<td>8.8</td>
<td>9.3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

State the linear regression equation represented by the data table when \( x = 0 \) is used to represent the year 2007 and \( y \) is used to represent the attendance. Round all values to the nearest hundredth. State the correlation coefficient to the nearest hundredth and determine whether the data suggest a strong or weak association.
S.ID.B.6a: Linear, Quadratic, and Exponential Regression

Answer Section

1. ANS:
   a) \( y = 80(1.5)^x \)
   b) \( 80(1.5)^{26} \approx 3,030,140. \)
   c) No, because the prediction at \( x = 52 \) is already too large.

Strategy: Use data from the table and exponential regression in a graphing calculator.

STEP 1: Model the function in a graphing calculator using exponential regression.

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</tbody>
</table>

L2(5) =

The exponential regression equation is \( y = 80(1.5)^x \)

STEP 2. Use the equation to predict the number of downloads when \( x = 26 \).

\[
80(1.5)^{26} \approx 3030140.195
\]

Rounded to the nearest download, the answer is 3,030,140.

STEP 3. Determine if it would be reasonable to use the model to predict downloads past one year.

\[
80(1.5)^{53} \approx 1.721578051\times10^{11}
\]

It would not be reasonable to use this model to make predictions past one year. The number of predicted downloads is more 170 billion downloads, which is more than 20 downloads in one week for every person in the world.

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? For near term predictions, yes. For long term predictions, no.

PTS: 4       REF: 061536ai       NAT: S.ID.B.6a       TOP: Regression
NOT: NYSED classifies this as A.CED.A.2
2. **ANS: D**  
Strategy: Input the data into a graphing calculator, inspect the data cloud, and find a regression equation to model the data table, input the regression equation into the y-editor, predict the missing value.

- **STEP 1.** Input the data into a graphing calculator or plot the data cloud on a graph, if necessary, so that you can look at the data cloud to see if it has a recognizable shape.

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<td>10</td>
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- **STEP 2.** Determine which regression strategy will best fit the data. The graph looks like the graph of a linear function, so choose linear regression.
- **STEP 3.** Execute the appropriate regression strategy in the graphing calculator.

```
y = ax + b
a = 14.11239669
b = 5.833057851
```

Write the regression equation in a format that can be compared to the answer choices: $y = 14.11x + 5.83$

- **STEP 4.** Compare the answer choices to the regression equation and select choice d.

PTS: 2       REF: 081421ai      NAT: S.ID.B.6a      TOP: Regression
3. **ANS:**

\[ y = 0.25(2)^x \]

**Strategy:** Input the four integral values from the graph into a graphing calculator and use exponential regression to find the equation.

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<td>y=a*b^x</td>
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**Alternatively:** Use the standard form of an exponential equation, which is \( y = ab^x \).

Substitute the integral pairs of \((2,1)\) and \((3,2)\) from the graph into the standard form of an exponential equation and obtain the following: \( 1 = ab^2 \) and \( 2 = ab^3 \). Therefore, \( 2ab^2 = ab^3 \)

\[
2 = \frac{ab^3}{ab^2} \\
2 = b
\]

Accordingly, the equation for the graph can now be written as \( y = a \cdot 2^x \).

Substitute the integral pair \((4,4)\) from the graph into the new equation and solve for \( a \), as follows:

\[
y = a \cdot 2^x \\
4 = a \cdot 2^4 \\
4 = a \cdot 16 \\
\frac{4}{16} = a \\
\frac{1}{4} = a
\]

The graph of the equation can now be written as \( y = \frac{1}{4} (2)^x \)

**PTS:** 2  
**REF:** 011532ai  
**NAT:** F.LE.A.2  
**TOP:** Modeling Exponential Equations
4. ANS:
\[ y = 0.16x + 8.27 \quad r = 0.97, \] which suggests a strong association.

Strategy: Convert the table to data that can be input into a graphing calculator, then use the linear regression feature of the graphing calculator to respond to the question.

STEP 1. Convert the table for input into the calculator.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Attendance at Museum</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Year (L1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Attendance (L2)</td>
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</table>

STEP 2. Make sure that STAT DIAGNOSTICS is set to “On” in the mode feature of the graphing calculator. Setting STAT DIAGNOSTICS to on causes the correlation coefficient \((r)\) to appear with the linear regression output.

STEP 3. Use the linear regression feature of the graphing calculator.

\[ y = ax + b \]
\[ a = 0.1577586207 \]
\[ b = 8.269827586 \]
\[ r^2 = 0.9496653811 \]
\[ r = 0.9745077635 \]

NOTE: Round the graphing calculator output to the nearest hundredth as required in the problem.

STEP 4. Record your solution.

PTS: 4  REF: 081536ai  NAT: S.ID.C.8  TOP: Regression
KEY: linear  NOT: NYSED classifies as S.ID.B.6a
**S.ID.B.6b: Use Residuals to Assess Fit of a Function**

**GRAPHS AND STATISTICS**

**S.ID.B.6b: Use Residuals to Assess Fit of a Function**

B. Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables
6. Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related.
   b. Informally assess the fit of a function by plotting and analyzing residuals. Includes creating residual plots using the capabilities of the calculator (not manually).

**Vocabulary**

A **residual** is the vertical distance between where a regression equation predicts a point will appear on a graph and the actual location of the point on the graph (scatterplot). If there is no difference between where a regression equation places a point and the actual position of the point, the **residual** is zero. A **residual** can also be understood as the difference in predicted and actual y-values (dependent variable values) for a given value of x (the independent variable).

\[
\text{residual} = (\text{actual } y \text{ value}) - (\text{predicted } y \text{ value})
\]

A **residual plot** is a scatter plot that shows the residuals as points on a vertical axis (y-axis) above corresponding (paired) values of the independent variable on the horizontal axis (x-axis).

Any **pattern** in a residual plot suggests that the regression equation is **not appropriate** for the data.

**Big Ideas**

Patterns in residual plots are bad.
Residual plots without patterns indicate the regression equation is a good fit.
Residual plots with patterns indicate the regression equation is **not** a good fit.

A **residual plot** without a **pattern** and with a near equal distribution of points above and below the x-axis suggests that the regression equation is a **good fit** for the data.

Residuals are automatically stored in graphing calculators when regression equations are calculated. To view a residuals scatterplot in the graphing calculator, you must use 2nd LIST to set the Y list variable to RESID, then use Zoom 9 to plot the residuals.
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. After performing analyses on a set of data, Jackie examined the scatter plot of the residual values for each analysis. Which scatter plot indicates the best linear fit for the data?

   a.  
   b.  
   c.  
   d.  

(c) www.jmap.org
2. The table below represents the residuals for a line of best fit.

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<tr>
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<th>5</th>
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<td>Residual</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>-1</td>
<td>-2</td>
<td>-3</td>
<td>-2</td>
<td>-1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>0</td>
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</table>

Plot these residuals on the set of axes below.

Using the plot, assess the fit of the line for these residuals and justify your answer.
S.ID.B.6b: Use Residuals to Assess Fit of a Function

Answer Section

1. ANS: C
   For a residual plot, there should be no observable pattern and about the same number of dots above and below the x axis. Any pattern in a residual plot means that line is not a good fit for the data.

PTS: 2  REF: 011624ai  NAT: S.ID.B.6b  TOP: Correlation Coefficient and Residuals

2. ANS:

![Residual Plot]

The line is a poor fit because the residuals form a pattern.

PTS: 2  REF: 081431ai  NAT: S.ID.B.6b  TOP: Correlation Coefficient and Residuals
S.ID.C.8: Calculate Correlation Coefficients

GRAPHS AND STATISTICS

S.ID.C.8: Calculate Correlation Coefficients
C. Interpret linear models
8. Compute (using technology) and interpret the correlation coefficient of a linear fit.

Vocabulary

**correlation**  A statistical measure that quantifies how pairs of variables are related; a linear relationship between two variables.

**correlation coefficient**  A number between -1 and 1 that indicates the strength and direction of the linear relationship between two sets of numbers. The letter “r” is used to represent correlation coefficients. In all cases, $-1 \leq r \leq 1$.

**Interpreting a Correlation Coefficient - What It Means**

Every correlation coefficient has two pieces of information:
1. The **sign of the correlation**. A correlation is either positive or negative.
2. The **absolute value of the correlation**.
   a. The closer the absolute value of the correlation is to 1, the stronger the correlation between the variables.
   b. The closer the absolute value of the correlation is to zero, the weaker the correlation between the variables.

The **sign of the correlation** tells you what the graph will look like and

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Negative Correlation</th>
<th>No Correlation</th>
<th>Positive Correlation</th>
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<td>In general, one set of data decreases as the other set increases.</td>
<td>Sometimes data sets are not related and there is no general trend.</td>
<td>In general, both sets of data increase together.</td>
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<td>An example of a negative correlation between two variables would be the relationship between absenteeism from school and class grades. As one variable increases, the other would be expected to decrease.</td>
<td>A correlation of zero does not always mean that there is no relationship between the variables. It could mean that the relationship is not linear. For example, the correlation between points on a circle or a regular polygon would be zero or very close to zero, but the points are very predictably related.</td>
<td>An example of a positive correlation between two variables would be the relationship between studying for an examination and class grades. As one variable increases, the other would also be expected to increase.</td>
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</table>
In a perfect correlation, when $r = \pm 1$, all data points balance the equations and also lie on the graph of the equation.

**How to Calculate a Correlation Coefficient Using a Graphing Calculator:**

**STEP 1.** Press `STAT EDIT 1:Edit`.

**STEP 2.** Enter bivariate data in the L1 and L2 columns. All the x-values go into L1 column and all the Y values go into L2 column. Press `ENTER` after every data entry.

**STEP 3.** Turn the diagnostics on by pressing `2ND CATALOG` and scrolling down to `DiagnosticsOn`. Then, press `ENTER ENTER`. The screen should respond with the message `Done`. NOTE: If Diagnostics are turned off, the correlation coefficient will not appear beneath the regression equation.

**STEP 4.** Press `STAT CALC 4:4-LinReg (ax+b) ENTER ENTER`.

**STEP 5.** The $r$ value that appears at the bottom of the screen is the correlation coefficient.
1. A nutritionist collected information about different brands of beef hot dogs. She made a table showing the number of Calories and the amount of sodium in each hot dog.

<table>
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<th>Calories per Beef Hot Dog</th>
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a) Write the correlation coefficient for the line of best fit. Round your answer to the nearest hundredth.
b) Explain what the correlation coefficient suggests in the context of this problem.

2. What is the correlation coefficient of the linear fit of the data shown below, to the nearest hundredth?

a. 1.00  
b. 0.93  
c. −0.93  
d. −1.00
S.ID.C.8: Calculate Correlation Coefficients
Answer Section

1. ANS: 
   
   $r \approx 0.94$. The correlation coefficient suggests that as calories increase, so does sodium.

   Strategy: Use data from the table and a graphing calculator to find both the regression equation and its correlation coefficient.

   STEP 1. Input the data from the table in a graphing calculator and look at the data cloud.

   STEP 2. Turn diagnostics on using the catalog.

   STEP 3. Determine which regression strategy will best fit the data. The graph looks like the graph of an linear function, so choose linear regression.

   STEP 4. Execute the appropriate regression strategy with diagnostics on in the graphing calculator.

   Round the correlation coefficient to the nearest hundredth: $r = 0.94$

   DIMS: Does it make sense? Yes. The data cloud and the table show a positive correlation that is strong, but not perfect. A correlation coefficient of .94 is positive, but not a perfectly straight line.

PTS: 4  REF: 01153ai  NAT: S.ID.C.8  TOP: Correlation Coefficient and Residuals
2. ANS: C

Strategy #1: This problem can be answered by looking at the scatterplot.

The slope of the data cloud is negative, so answer choices \(a\) and \(b\) can be eliminated because both are positive.

The data cloud suggests a linear relationship, put the dots are not in a perfect line. A perfect correlation of \(\pm 1\) would show all the dots in a perfect line. Therefore, we can eliminate answer choice \(d\).

The correct answer is choice \(c\).

DIMS: Does it make sense? Yes. The data cloud shows a negative correlation that is strong, but not perfect. Choice \(c\) is the best answer.

Strategy #2: Input the data from the chart in a graphing calculator and calculate the correlation coefficient using linear regression and the diagnostics on feature.

STEP 1. Create a table of values from the graphing view of the function and input it into the graphing calculator.

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- **STEP 2.** Turn diagnostics on using the catalog.

- **STEP 3.** Determine which regression strategy will best fit the data. The graph looks like the graph of an linear function, so choose linear regression.

- **STEP 4.** Execute the appropriate regression strategy with diagnostics on in the graphing calculator.
Round the correlation coefficient to the nearest hundredth:  \( r = -0.93 \)

- **STEP 4.** Select answer choice c.

DIMS: Does it make sense? Yes. The data cloud shows a negative correlation that is strong, but not perfect. Choice c is the best answer.

PTS: 2    REF: 061411ai    NAT: S.ID.C.8    TOP: Correlation Coefficient and Residuals
S.ID.C.9: Correlation and Causation

**GRAPHS AND STATISTICS**

**S.ID.C.9: Correlation and Causation**

B. Interpret linear models
9. Distinguish between correlation and causation.

**Vocabulary**

**Correlation**: Event A is related to, but does not necessarily cause event B.

**Causation**: Event A causes event B.

**Fallacy of Composition**: A fallacy of composition is the erroneous conclusion that: because event B follows event A, event A caused event B. In Latin, a fallacy of composition is known at *post hoc, ergo propter hoc*, which means “after this, therefore because of this.” Fallacies of composition are usually correlations, not causations.

**Example of a Fallacy of Composition**: Deep in the rain forest, a tribe of indigenous people live. Every year, when the days start getting longer, the shaman of the tribe does a rain dance. Soon, the spring rains come. The people of the village believe the shaman’s dance caused the rain to come. Modern scientists would argue that the rains come every year because of the changing of the seasons, and the village people’s belief is a **fallacy of composition** - the rains were not caused by the shaman’s dance - they were only correlated with the timing of the dance. Such fallacies of composition can be difficult to identify, and it could be be even more difficult to convince the village people that the rains are correlated with, but not caused by, the shaman’s rain dance.

**REGENTS PROBLEM TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD**

1. Beverly did a study this past spring using data she collected from a cafeteria. She recorded data weekly for ice cream sales and soda sales. Beverly found the line of best fit and the correlation coefficient, as shown in the diagram below.
Given this information, which statement(s) can correctly be concluded?

I. Eating more ice cream causes a person to become thirsty.
II. Drinking more soda causes a person to become hungry.
III. There is a strong correlation between ice cream sales and soda sales.

a. I, only
c. I and III
b. III, only
d. II and III
S.ID.C.9: Correlation and Causation
Answer Section

1. ANS: B
   Strategy: Determine the truth value of each statement, then determine which of the four answer choices best
matches the truth values of the three statements.

   STEP 1. Determine the truth values of each statement:

   Statement I is false. Eating more ice cream does not necessarily cause a person to become thirsty.

   Statement II is false. Drinking more soda does not necessarily cause a person to become hungry.

   Statement III is true. There is a strong correlation between ice cream sales and soda sales.

   STEP 2. Use knowledge of correlation and causation to select the correct answer.

   Statement III is the only statement than can be correctly concluded. The answer is choice b.

   PTS: 2      REF: 061516ai      NAT: S.ID.C.9      TOP: Analysis of Data
A.SSE.A.1: Terms, Factors, & Coefficients of Expressions

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES
A.SSE.A.1: Terms, Factors, & Coefficients of Expressions

A. Interpret the structure of expressions.
   1. Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context.
      a. Interpret parts of an expression, such as terms, factors, coefficients, degree of polynomial, leading coefficient, constant term and the standard form of a polynomial (linear, exponential, quadratic).
      b. Interpret complicated expressions by viewing one or more of their parts as a single entity. For example, interpret $P(1 + r)^n$ as the product of $P$ and a factor not depending on $P$ (linear, exponential, quadratic).

Vocabulary

Equation  An equation consists of two expressions connected by an equal sign. The equal sign indicates that both expressions have the same (equal) value. The two expressions in an equation are typically called the left expression and the right expression.

Expression  An expression is a mathematical statement or phrase consisting of one or more terms. Terms are the building blocks of expressions, similar to the way that letters are the building blocks of words.

Term  A term is a number, a variable, or the product of numbers and variables.
   - Terms in an expression are always separated by a plus sign or minus sign.
   - Terms in an expression are always either positive or negative.
   - Numbers and variables connected by the operations of division and multiplication are parts of the same term.
   - Terms, together with their signs, can be moved around within the same expression without changing the value of the expression. If you move a term from the left expression to the right expression, or from the right expression to the left expression (across the equal sign), the plus or minus sign associated with the term must be changed.

Variable  A variable is a quantity whose value can change or vary. In algebra, a letter is typically used to represent a variable. The value of the letter can change. The letter $x$ is commonly used to represent a variable, but other letters can also be used. The letters s, o, and sometimes l are avoided by some students because they are easily confused in equations with numbers.

Variable Expression  A mathematical phrase that contains at least one variable.

Example: The equation $2x + 3 = 5$ contains a left expression and a right expression. The two expressions are connected by an equal sign. The expression on the left is a variable expression containing two terms, which are $+2x$ and $+3$. The expression on the right contains only one term, which is $+5$.

Coefficient:  A coefficient is the numerical factor of a term in a polynomial. It is typically thought of as the number in front of a variable.
Example: 14 is the coefficient in the term $14x^3y$. 
**Leading Coefficient:** A **leading coefficient** is the coefficient of the first term of a polynomial written in descending order of exponents.

**Factor:** A **factor** is:
1) a whole number that is a **divisor** of another number, or
2) an algebraic expression that is a **divisor** of another algebraic expression.

**Examples:**
- 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 12 all divide the number 12, so 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 12 are all factors of 12.
- \((x - 3)\) and \((x + 2)\) will divide the trinomial expression \(x^2 - x - 6\), so \((x - 3)\) and \((x + 2)\) are both factors of the \(x^2 - x - 6\).

**BIG IDEA**
Recognizing and using academic vocabulary to communicate the structure of mathematics and to relate parts of mathematical equations and expressions to real world contexts are important skills in mathematics.

### REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. To watch a varsity basketball game, spectators must buy a ticket at the door. The cost of an adult ticket is $3.00 and the cost of a student ticket is $1.50. If the number of adult tickets sold is represented by \(a\) and student tickets sold by \(s\), which expression represents the amount of money collected at the door from the ticket sales?

   a. \(4.50as\)  
   b. \(4.50(a + s)\)  
   c. \((3.00a)(1.50s)\)  
   d. \(3.00a + 1.50s\)

2. An expression of the fifth degree is written with a leading coefficient of seven and a constant of six. Which expression is correctly written for these conditions?

   a. \(6x^5 + x^4 + 7\)  
   b. \(7x^6 - 6x^4 + 5\)  
   c. \(6x^7 - x^5 + 5\)  
   d. \(7x^5 + 2x^3 + 6\)
A.SSE.A.1: Terms, Factors, & Coefficients of Expressions

Answer Section

1. ANS: D
   Strategy: Translate the words into mathematical expressions.
   \[
   a \times 3.00 \quad + \quad s \times 1.50
   \]
   The cost of an adult ticket is $3.00 and the cost of a student ticket is $1.50.
   \[
   a(3.00) + s(1.50)
   \]
   \[
   3.00a + 1.50s
   \]
   PTS: 2 REF: 081503ai NAT: A.SSE.A.1 TOP: Modeling Linear Equations

2. ANS: D
   The degree of a polynomial is determined by the largest exponent of a term within a polynomial. A polynomial expression of the fifth degree can have not exponent larger than 5, so choices b and c can be eliminated.
   A leading coefficient is the coefficient of the first term of a polynomial written in descending order of exponents. Since the leading coefficient is seven, choices a and c can be eliminated, leaving choice d as the only possible answer.
   Does it make sense? Yes. \(7x^5 + 2x^2 + 6\) has a leading coefficient of seven, is a fifth degree polynomial because 5 is the highest exponent, and a constant term of six.
   PTS: 2 REF: 061602ai NAT: A.SSE.A.1 TOP: Modeling Expressions
A.CED.A.1: Create Equations and Inequalities

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

A.CED.A.1: Create Equations and Inequalities in One Variable

A. Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
1. Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems (linear, quadratic, exponential (integer inputs only)).

BIG IDEAS

Translating words into mathematical symbols is an important skill in mathematics. The process involves first identifying key words and operations and second converting them to mathematical symbols.

Sample Regents Problem

Tanisha and Rachel had lunch at the mall. Tanisha ordered three slices of pizza and two colas. Rachel ordered two slices of pizza and three colas. Tanisha’s bill was $6.00, and Rachel’s bill was $5.25. What was the price of one slice of pizza? What was the price of one cola?

**Step 1:** Underline key terms and operations
Tanisha ordered three slices of pizza and two colas.
Rachel ordered two slices of pizza and three colas.
Tanisha’s bill was $6.00, and
Rachel’s bill was $5.25

**Step 2:**
Convert to mathematic symbolism
Tanisha ordered \(3P + 2C\)
Rachel ordered \(2P + 3C\)
Tanisha’s bill was \(\frac{6}{6.00}\), and
Rachel's bill was \(\frac{5.25}{5.25}\)

**Step 3:**
Write the final expressions/equations
Tanisha: \(3P+2C=6\)
Rachel: \(2P+3C=5.25\)

NOTE: It is not always necessary to solve the equation.

Different Views of a Function

Students should understand the relationships between **four views of a function** and be able to move from one view to any other view with relative ease. The four views of a function are:

1) the description of the function in words
2) the function rule (equation) form of the function
3) the graph of the function, and
4) the table of values of the function.
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. A landscaper is creating a rectangular flower bed such that the width is half of the length. The area of the flower bed is 34 square feet. Write and solve an equation to determine the width of the flower bed, to the nearest tenth of a foot.

2. A gardener is planting two types of trees:
   - Type A is three feet tall and grows at a rate of 15 inches per year.
   - Type B is four feet tall and grows at a rate of 10 inches per year.
   Algebraically determine exactly how many years it will take for these trees to be the same height.

3. Joe has a rectangular patio that measures 10 feet by 12 feet. He wants to increase the area by 50% and plans to increase each dimension by equal lengths, \( x \). Which equation could be used to determine \( x \)?
   - a. \((10 + x)(12 + x) = 120\)
   - b. \((10 + x)(12 + x) = 180\)
   - c. \((15 + x)(18 + x) = 180\)
   - d. \((15)(18) = 120 + x^2\)

4. John has four more nickels than dimes in his pocket, for a total of $1.25. Which equation could be used to determine the number of dimes, \( x \), in his pocket?
   - a. \(0.10(x + 4) + 0.05(x) = 1.25\)
   - b. \(0.05(x + 4) + 0.10(x) = 1.25\)
   - c. \(0.10(4x) + 0.05(x) = 1.25\)
   - d. \(0.05(4x) + 0.10(x) = 1.25\)
5. Sam and Jeremy have ages that are consecutive odd integers. The product of their ages is 783. Which equation could be used to find Jeremy’s age, \( j \), if he is the younger man?
   a. \( j^2 + 2 = 783 \)
   b. \( j^2 - 2 = 783 \)
   c. \( j^2 + 2j = 783 \)
   d. \( j^2 - 2j = 783 \)

6. Connor wants to attend the town carnival. The price of admission to the carnival is $4.50, and each ride costs an additional 79 cents. If he can spend at most $16.00 at the carnival, which inequality can be used to solve for \( r \), the number of rides Connor can go on, and what is the maximum number of rides he can go on?
   a. \( 0.79 + 4.50r \leq 16.00; 3 \text{ rides} \)
   b. \( 0.79 + 4.50r \leq 16.00; 4 \text{ rides} \)
   c. \( 4.50 + 0.79r \leq 16.00; 14 \text{ rides} \)
   d. \( 4.50 + 0.79r \leq 16.00; 15 \text{ rides} \)

7. The cost of a pack of chewing gum in a vending machine is $0.75. The cost of a bottle of juice in the same machine is $1.25. Julia has $22.00 to spend on chewing gum and bottles of juice for her team and she must buy seven packs of chewing gum. If \( b \) represents the number of bottles of juice, which inequality represents the maximum number of bottles she can buy?
   a. \( 0.75b + 1.25(7) \geq 22 \)
   b. \( 0.75b + 1.25(7) \leq 22 \)
   c. \( 0.75(7) + 1.25b \geq 22 \)
   d. \( 0.75(7) + 1.25b \leq 22 \)
8. A rectangular garden measuring 12 meters by 16 meters is to have a walkway installed around it with a width of $x$ meters, as shown in the diagram below. Together, the walkway and the garden have an area of 396 square meters.

![Diagram of a garden with a walkway]  
Write an equation that can be used to find $x$, the width of the walkway. Describe how your equation models the situation. Determine and state the width of the walkway, in meters.

9. New Clarendon Park is undergoing renovations to its gardens. One garden that was originally a square is being adjusted so that one side is doubled in length, while the other side is decreased by three meters. The new rectangular garden will have an area that is 25% more than the original square garden. Write an equation that could be used to determine the length of a side of the original square garden. Explain how your equation models the situation. Determine the area, in square meters, of the new rectangular garden.

10. A rectangular picture measures 6 inches by 8 inches. Simon wants to build a wooden frame for the picture so that the framed picture takes up a maximum area of 100 square inches on his wall. The pieces of wood that he uses to build the frame all have the same width. Write an equation or inequality that could be used to determine the maximum width of the pieces of wood for the frame Simon could create. Explain how your equation or inequality models the situation. Solve the equation or inequality to determine the maximum width of the pieces of wood used for the frame to the nearest tenth of an inch.
11. Natasha is planning a school celebration and wants to have live music and food for everyone who attends. She has found a band that will charge her $750 and a caterer who will provide snacks and drinks for $2.25 per person. If her goal is to keep the average cost per person between $2.75 and $3.25, how many people, \( p \), must attend?

\[ \begin{align*}
\text{a.} & \quad 225 < p < 325 \\
\text{b.} & \quad 325 < p < 750
\end{align*} \]

12. The acidity in a swimming pool is considered normal if the average of three pH readings, \( p \), is defined such that \( 7.0 < p < 7.8 \). If the first two readings are 7.2 and 7.6, which value for the third reading will result in an overall rating of normal?

\[ \begin{align*}
\text{a.} & \quad 6.2 \\
\text{b.} & \quad 7.3 \\
\text{c.} & \quad 8.6 \\
\text{d.} & \quad 8.8
\end{align*} \]
A.CED.A.1: Create Equations and Inequalities
Answer Section

1. ANS:
   a) Equation $34 = l \left( \frac{1}{2} l \right)$
   b) The width of the flower bed is approximately 4.1 feet.

   Strategy: Draw a picture, then write and solve an equation based on the area formula, $\text{Area} = \text{length} \times \text{width}$.

   STEP 1. Draw a picture.

   [Diagram]

   STEP 2: Write and solve an equation based on the area formula.
   \[
   \text{Area} = \text{length} \times \text{width}.
   \]
   \[
   34 = l \left( \frac{1}{2} l \right)
   \]
   \[
   34 = \frac{l^2}{2}
   \]
   \[
   68 = l^2
   \]
   \[
   \sqrt{68} = \sqrt{l^2}
   \]
   \[
   8.2 \approx l
   \]
   \[
   4.1 \approx w
   \]

PTS: 2      REF: 061532ai      NAT: A.CED.A.1      TOP: Geometric Applications of Quadratics
2. ANS: 2.4 years

Strategy: Convert all measurements to inches per year, then write two equations, then write and solve a new equation by equating the right expressions of the two equations.

STEP 1: Convert all measurements to inches per year.
Type A is 36 inches tall and grows at a rate of 15 inches per year.
Type B is 48 inches tall and grows at a rate of 10 inches per year.

STEP 2: Write 2 equations

\[
G(A) = 36 + 15t \\
G(B) = 48 + 10t
\]

STEP 3: Write and solve a break-even equation from the right expressions.

\[
36 + 15t = 48 + 10t \\
15t - 10t = 48 - 36 \\
5t = 12 \\
t = \frac{12}{5} \\
t = 2.4 \text{ years}
\]

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. After 2.4 years, the type A trees and the type B trees will both be 72 inches tall.

\[
G(A) = 36 + 15(2.4) = 36 + 36 = 72 \\
G(B) = 48 + 10(2.4) = 48 + 24 = 72
\]

PTS: 2  REF: 011531ai  NAT: A.REI.C.6  TOP: Modeling Linear Equations
NOT: NYSED classifies this problem as A.CED.1: Create Inequations and Inequalities
3. ANS: B  
Strategy: STEP 1. First, determine the area of the current rectangular patio and increase its size by 50%, which will be the size of the new patio.  STEP 2. Then, increase each dimension of the current rectangular patio by x, as follows:  
STEP 1.

\[
\text{Area} = \text{length} \times \text{width}
\]

Current Patio

\[
A = 10 \times 12
\]

\[
A = 120
\]

New Patio

\[
A = 120 \times 150\%
\]

\[
A = 120 \times 1.5
\]

\[
A = 180
\]

The new patio will have an area of 180 square feet. Eliminate choice (a).  
STEP 2.

\[
(10 + x)(12 + x) = 180
\]

Choose answer b.

PTS: 2  REF: 011611ai  NAT: A.CED.A.1  TOP: Geometric Applications of Quadratics
4. **ANS:** B  
**Strategy:** This is a coin problem, and the value of each coin is important.

Let \( x \) represent the number of dimes, as required by the problem.  
Let \( .10x \) represent the value of the dimes.  (A dime is worth $0.10)

The problem says that John has 4 more nickels than dimes.  
Let \( (x + 4) \) represent the number of nickels that John has.  
Let \( .05(x + 4) \) represent the value of the nickles.  (A nickel is worth $0.05)

The total amount of money that John has is $1.25.  
The total amount of money that John has can also be represented by \( .10x + .05(x + 4) \)  
These two expressions are both equal, so write:  
\[
.10x + .05(x + 4) = 1.25
\]
This is not an answer choice, but using the commutative property, we can rearrange the order of the terms in the left expression \( .05(x + 4) + .10x = 1.25 \), which is the same as answer choice b.

**DIMS?** Does It Make Sense? Yes. Transform the equation for input into a graphing calculator as follows:  
\[
0.05(x + 4) + .10x = 1.25 
\]
\[
0 = 1.25 - .05(x + 4) - .10x 
\]

\[
\begin{array}{c|c}
\text{Plot1} & \text{Plot2} & \text{Plot3} \\
\hline
Y_1 & 1.25 - .05(x + 4) & X \\
X & Y_1 \\
0 & 1.25 - .05(x + 4) & .15 \\
8 & 1.25 - .05(x + 4) & .15 \\
10 & 1.25 - .05(x + 4) & .15 \\
11 & 1.25 - .05(x + 4) & .15 \\
12 & 1.25 - .05(x + 4) & .15 \\
13 & 1.25 - .05(x + 4) & .15 \\
X = 7 & \\
\end{array}
\]

John has 7 dimes and 11 nickles. The dimes are worth 70 cents and the nickels are word 55 cents. In total, John has $1.25.

**PTS:** 2  
**REF:** 061416ai  
**NAT:** A.CED.A.1  
**TOP:** Modeling Linear Equations
5. ANS: C
Strategy: Deconstruct the problem to find the information needed to write the equation.

Let \( j \) represent Jeremy’s age. The last sentence says \( j \) represents Jeremy’s age.

Let \( (j + 2) \) represent Sam’s age. The problem tells us that Sam and Jeremy have ages that are **consecutive odd integers**. The consecutive odd integers that could be ages are \( \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, \ldots \} \) and each odd integer is 2 more than the odd integer before it. Thus, if Jeremy is 2 years younger than Sam, as the problem says, then Sam’s age can be represented as \( (j + 2) \).

The second sentence says, “The product of their ages is 783.” Product is the result of multiplication, so we can write \( j(j + 2) = 783 \). Since this is not an answer choice, we must manipulate the equation:

\[
j(j + 2) = 783
\]
\[
j^2 + 2j = 783
\]

Our equation is now identical to answer choice \( c \), which is the correct answer.

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. Jeremy is 27 and Sam is 29. The product of their ages is \( 27 \times 29 = 783 \). In order to input this into a graphing calculator, the equation must be transformed as follows:

\[
j^2 + 2j = 783
\]
\[
j^2 + 2j - 783 = 0
\]
\[
0 = j^2 + 2j - 783
\]

\[y_1 = x^2 + 2x - 783\]

**Graph:**

```
X | Y1
0 | 0
27 | 57
29 | 116
30 | 177
31 | 240
33 | 305
35 | 372
```

PTS: 2
REF: 081409ai
NAT: A.CED.A.1
TOP: Modeling Quadratics
6. **ANS: C**

   **Strategy:** Write and solve an inequality that relates total costs to how much money Connor has.

   **STEP 1.** Write the inequality:
   
The price of admission comes first and is $4.50. Write +4.50
   
   Each ride (r) costs an additional 0.79. Write +0.79r
   
   Total costs can be expressed as: $4.50 + 0.79r$
   
   $4.50 + 0.79r$ must be less than or equal to the $16 Connor has.
   
   Write: $4.50 + 0.79r \leq 16.00$

   **STEP 2:** Solve the inequality.

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<td>$0.79r$</td>
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   The correct answer choice is c: $4.50 + 0.79r \leq 16.00; 14$ rides

   **DIMS? Does It Make Sense?** Yes. Admissions costs $4.50 and 14 rides cost $14 \times 0.79 = $11.06. After 14 rides, Connor will only have 45 cents left, which is not enough to go on another ride.

   $16 - ($4.50 + $11.05) = $0.45

   **PTS:** 2  
   **REF:** 011513ai  
   **NAT:** A.CED.A.1  
   **TOP:** Modeling Linear Inequalities

7. **ANS: D**

   **Strategy:** Examine the answer choices and eliminate wrong answers.

   **STEP 1.** Eliminate answer choices a and c because both of them have greater than or equal signs. Julia must spend less than she has, not more.

   **STEP 2.** Choose between answer choices b and d. Answer choice d is correct because the term $0.75(7)$ means that Julia must buy 7 packs of chewing gum @ $0.75 per pack. Answer choice b is incorrect because the term $1.25(7)$ means that Julia will buy 7 bottles of juice.

   **DIMS? Does It Make Sense?** Yes. Answer choice d shows in the first term that Julia will buy 7 packs of gum and the total of the entire expression must be equal to or less than $22.00.

   **PTS:** 2  
   **REF:** 081505ai  
   **NAT:** A.CED.A.1  
   **TOP:** Modeling Linear Inequalities
8. ANS:
   a) \(396 = (16 + 2x)(12 + 2x)\).
   b) The length, 16 + 2x, and the width, 12 + 2x, are multiplied and set equal to the area.
   c) The width of the walkway is 3 meters.

Strategy: Use the picture, the area formula \((\text{Area} = \text{length} \times \text{width})\), and information from the problem to write an equation, then solve the equation.

STEP 1. Use the area formula, the picture, and information from the problem to write an equation.
\[
\text{Area} = \text{length} \times \text{width}
\]
\[
396 = (16 + 2x)(12 + 2x)
\]

STEP 2. Solve the equation.
\[
396 = (16 + 2x)(12 + 2x)
\]
\[
396 = (16 \times 12) + (16 \times 2x) + (2x \times 12) + (2x \times 2x)
\]
\[
396 = 192 + 32x + 24x + 4x^2
\]
\[
396 = 192 + 56x + 4x^2
\]
\[
396 = 4x^2 + 56x + 192
\]
\[
0 = 4x^2 + 56x + 192 - 396
\]
\[
0 = 4x^2 + 56x - 204
\]

The width of the walkway is 3 meters.

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. The garden plus walkway is 16 + 2(3) = 22 meters long and 12 + 2(3) = 18 meters wide. \(\text{Area} = 22 \times 18 = 396\), which fits the information in the problem.

PTS: 4  REF: 061434ai  NAT: A.CED.A.1  TOP: Geometric Applications of Quadratics
9. ANS:
   a) \(1.25x^2 = (2x)(x - 3)\)
   b) Because the original garden is a square, \(x^2\) represents the original area, \(x - 3\) represents the side decreased by 3 meters, \(2x\) represents the doubled side, and \(1.25x^2\) represents the new garden with an area 25% larger.
   c) The length of a side of the original square garden was 8 meters.

   The area of the new rectangular garden is 80 square meters.

Strategy: Draw two pictures: one picture of the garden as it was in the past and one picture of the garden as it will be in the future. Then, write and solve an equation to determine the length of a side of the original garden.

STEP 1. Draw 2 pictures.

Area of original garden is \(x^2\). Area of new garden is \(1.25x^2\).

STEP 2: Use the area formula, \(A = \text{length} \times \text{width}\), to write an equation for the area of the new garden.

\[
1.25x^2 = (2x)(x - 3)
\]

STEP 3: Transform the equation for input into a graphing calculator and solve.

\[
1.25x^2 = (2x)(x - 3)
\]
\[
1.25x^2 = 2x^2 - 6x
\]
\[
0 = 2x^2 - 1.25x^2 - 6x
\]
\[
0 = 0.75x^2 - 6x
\]

The length on a side of the original square garden was 8 meters.
The area of the new garden is $1.25(8)^2 = 1.25(64) = 80$ square meters.

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. The dimensions of the original square garden are 8 meters on each side and the area was 64 square meters. The dimensions of the new rectangular garden are 16 meters length and 5 meters width. The new garden will have area of 80 meters. The area of the new garden is 1.25 times the area of the original garden.
10. ANS:
The maximum width of the frame should be 1.5 inches.

Strategy: Write an inequality, then solve it.

STEP 1: Write the inequality.
The picture is 6 inches by 8 inches. The area of the picture is $(6 \times 8)$ square inches. The width of the frame is an unknown variable represented by $x$.

Two widths of the frame ($2x$) must be added to the length and width of the picture. Therefore, the area of the picture with frame is $(6 + 2x)(8 + 2x)$ square inches

The area of the picture with frame, $(6 + 2x)(8 + 2x)$ square inches, must be less than or equal (≤) to 100.

Write $(6 + 2x)(8 + 2x) \leq 100$

STEP 2: Solve the inequality.

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<td>Combine Like Terms</td>
<td>$4x^2 + 28x + 48$</td>
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<td>100</td>
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<td>Subtract 100 from both expressions</td>
<td>$4x^2 + 28x - 52$</td>
<td>≤</td>
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Use the Quadratic Formula: $a=4, b=28, c=-52$

$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

$x = \frac{-28 \pm \sqrt{28^2 - 4(4)(-52)}}{2(4)}$

$x = \frac{-28 \pm \sqrt{1616}}{8}$

$x = \frac{-28 \pm 40.1995}{8}$

$x = \frac{-28 + 40.1995}{8}$

$x = \frac{12.1995}{8}$

$x = 1.5$ inches
DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. If the frame is 1.5 inches wide, then the total picture with frame will be 
\[(6 + 2 \times 1.5) (8 + 2 \times 1.5)\]
\[= 9 \times 11\]
99 square inches

PTS: 6       REF: 081537ai       NAT: A.CED.A.1       TOP: Geometric Applications of Quadratics

11. ANS: D

Strategy:

STEP1. Use the definition of average cost.

\[
\text{Average Cost} = \frac{\text{total costs}}{\text{number of persons sharing the cost}}
\]

Total costs for the band and the caterer are: \$750 + \$2.25p

If the average cost is \$3.25, the formula is \$3.25 = \frac{\$750 + \$2.25p}{p}

Solve for \(p\)

\[3.25p = 750 + 2.25p\]
\[p = 750\]

If the average cost is \$2.75, the formula is \$2.75 = \frac{\$750 + \$2.25p}{p}

Solve for \(p\)

\[2.75p = 750 + 2.25p\]
\[.50p = 750\]
\[p = 1500\]

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. If 750 people attend, the average cost is \$2.25 per person. If 1500 people attend, the average cost is \$3.25 per person. For any number of people between 750 and 1500, the average cost per person will be between \$2.25 and \$3.25.

PTS: 2       REF: 061524ai       NAT: A.CED.A.3       TOP: Modeling Linear Inequalities
12. **ANS: B**

Step 1. Recognize that the problem is asking you to identify one pH reading that will result in an average of three readings that is greater than or equal to 7.0 and less than or equal to 7.8.

Step 2. Use algebraic notation to represent the average of three pH readings, then find the answer that gives an average within the required interval.

Step 3.

\[
pH_{(\text{average})} = \frac{pH_1 + pH_2 + pH_3}{3}
\]

\[
pH_{(\text{average})} = \frac{7.2 + 7.6 + pH_3}{3}
\]

\[
pH_{(\text{average})} = \frac{14.8 + pH_3}{3}
\]

Choice a) \[
pH_{(\text{average})} = \frac{14.8 + pH_3}{3} = \frac{14.8 + 6.2}{3} = \frac{21}{3} = 7. \] This average is not in the required interval, so choice a) is not a correct answer.

Choice b) \[
pH_{(\text{average})} = \frac{14.8 + pH_3}{3} = \frac{14.8 + 7.3}{3} = \frac{22.1}{3} = 7.36 \approx 7.4. \] This average is in the required interval, so choice b) is a correct answer.

Choice c) \[
pH_{(\text{average})} = \frac{14.8 + pH_3}{3} = \frac{14.8 + 8.6}{3} = \frac{23.4}{3} = 7.8. \] This average is not in the required interval, so choice c) is not a correct answer.

Choice d) \[
pH_{(\text{average})} = \frac{14.8 + pH_3}{3} = \frac{14.8 + 8.8}{3} = \frac{23.6}{3} = 7.86 \approx 7.9. \] This average is not in the required interval, so choice d) is not a correct answer.

Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes.

\[7.0 < p < 7.8\]
\[7.0 < 7.4 < 7.8\]
\[7.0 < \text{choice b} < 7.8\]

PTS: 2       REF: 061607ai       NAT: A.CED.A.1       TOP: Modeling Linear Inequalities
A.CED.A.2: Create and/or Graph Equations

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

A.CED.A.2: Create Equations in Two Variables

A. Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
2. Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales.

BIG IDEAS

Equations may have zero, one, two, three, or more variables. Generally, the more variables an equation has, the more difficult it is to solve.

Examples:

No Variable:  3 + 5 = 8  or  8 - 5 = 3
One Variable:  x + 5 = 8  or  8 - x = 5
Two Variables:  x + y = 8  or  y = 8 - x
Three Variables:  x + y = z  or  x + y - z = 0

An equation shows the mathematical relationship between variables, and a general rule is: the more variables in an equation, the more difficult the equation is to solve. When two or more variables are involved, it is often necessary to: 1) have the same number of equations as there are variables; and 2) solve the equations as a system of equations. This lesson is about equations with two variables that can be solved independently.

Typically, one variable is a dependent variable and the other variable is the independent variable. The value of the dependent variable “depends” on the value of the independent variable.

When graphing equations with two variables:

- The independent variable is always shown on the x-axis of a coordinate plane.
- The dependent variable is always shown on the y-axis of a coordinate plane.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. An airplane leaves New York City and heads toward Los Angeles. As it climbs, the plane gradually increases its speed until it reaches cruising altitude, at which time it maintains a constant speed for several hours as long as it stays at cruising altitude. After flying for 32 minutes, the plane reaches cruising altitude and has flown 192 miles. After flying for a total of 92 minutes, the plane has flown a total of 762 miles. Determine the speed of the plane, at cruising altitude, in miles per minute. Write an equation to represent the number of miles the plane has flown, \(y\), during \(x\) minutes at cruising altitude, only. Assuming that the plane maintains its speed at cruising altitude, determine the total number of miles the plane has flown 2 hours into the flight.
2. Which graph shows a line where each value of \( y \) is three more than half of \( x \)?

- a.  
- b.  
- c.  
- d.  

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3. The graph below was created by an employee at a gas station.

Which statement can be justified by using the graph?

a. If 10 gallons of gas was purchased, $35 was paid.
b. For every gallon of gas purchased, $3.75 was paid.
c. For every 2 gallons of gas purchased, $5.00 was paid.
d. If zero gallons of gas were purchased, zero miles were driven.
A.CED.A.2: Create and/or Graph Equations
Answer Section

1. ANS:
   Strategy: Draw a picture to model the problem.

   At cruising altitude, the plane is flying at the speed of 9.5 miles per minute.

   Write an equation to represent the number of miles the plane has flown, $y$, during $x$ minutes at cruising altitude, only. (NOTE: This is line segment $BC$ in the above picture.)
   
   $y = 9.5x$

   Assuming that the plane maintains its speed at cruising altitude, determine the total number of miles the plane has flown 2 hours into the flight.

   Let $M$ represent the total miles flown. Let $t$ represent the number of minutes flown.
   
   $M(t) = 9.5(t - 32) + 192$
   
   $M(120) = 9.5(120 - 32) + 192$
   
   $M(120) = 9.5(88) + 192$
   
   $M(120) = 836 + 192$
   
   $M(120) = 1028$

   2 hours into the flight, the plane has flown 1,028 miles.

   PTS: 4  REF: 061635ai  NAT: A.CED.A.2  TOP: Speed
2. ANS: B
Strategy: Convert the narrative view to a function rule, then graph it.

STEP 1. Write the function rule.

\[
y = 3 + \frac{1}{2}x
\]

(each value of \(y\) is (three more) than (half of \(x\))

\[
y = \frac{1}{2}x + 3
\]

STEP 2. Input the function rule in a graphing calculator and compare the graph view of the function to the answer choices.

Answer choice \(b\) is correct.

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. The \(x\) and \(y\) intercepts are reflected in both the graph and the table of values.

3. ANS: B
Strategy #1: Use the slope of the line to determine the cost per gallon of gas. Select any two points that are on intersections of vertical and horizontal gridlines, then substitute them into the slope formula to determine the rate of change, which is the cost per gallon of gas.

\[
m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{30 - 15}{8 - 4} = \frac{15}{4} = 3.75
\]

or

\[
m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{45 - 30}{12 - 8} = \frac{15}{4} = 3.75
\]

For every gallon of gas purchased. $3.75 was paid.

Strategy #2. Eliminate wrong answers.
Choice (a) is wrong because the chart shows that 10 gallongs of gas costs $37.50, not $35.00.
Choice (b) is correct.
Choice (c) is wrong because the chart shows that 2 gallons of gas cost $7.50, not $5.00.
Choice (d) is wrong because the chart says nothing about the number of miles driven.
A.CED.A.4: Transform Formulas

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

A.CED.A.4: Transform Formulas

A. Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
4. Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving equations. For example, rearrange Ohm’s law $V = IR$ to highlight resistance $R$.

Vocabulary

**Formula:** A formula is an equation that shows the relationship between two or more variables.

**Transform:** To transform something is to change its form or appearance. In mathematical equations, a transformation changes form and appearance, but does not change the relationships between variables. To transform a formula or equation usually means to isolate a specific variable.

**Big Idea #1**
Properties and operations can be used to transform formulas to isolate different variables in the same ways that equations are manipulated to isolate a variable.

Example: The formula $P = 2l + 2w$ can be used to find the perimeter of a rectangle. In English, $P = 2l + 2w$ translates as “The perimeter equals two times the length plus two times the width.” In the formula $P = 2l + 2w$, the $P$ variable is already isolated. You can isolate the $l$ variable or the $w$ variables, as follows. (Note that the steps and operations are the same as with regular equations.)

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<td>$P = 2l + 2w$</td>
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<td>Move the term $2w$ to the left expression.</td>
<td>Move the term $2l$ to the left expression.</td>
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<td>$P - 2w = 2l$</td>
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<td>Divide both sides of the equation by 2.</td>
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<td>$\frac{P - 2w}{2} = l$</td>
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REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. The equation for the volume of a cylinder is $V = \pi r^2 h$. The positive value of $r$, in terms of $h$ and $V$, is
   a. $r = \sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi h}}$
   b. $r = \sqrt[V]{\pi h}$
   c. $r = 2V\pi h$
   d. $r = \frac{V}{2\pi}$
2. The formula for the sum of the degree measures of the interior angles of a polygon is \( S = 180(n - 2) \). Solve for \( n \), the number of sides of the polygon, in terms of \( S \).

3. The volume of a large can of tuna fish can be calculated using the formula \( V = \pi r^2 h \). Write an equation to find the radius, \( r \), in terms of \( V \) and \( h \). Determine the diameter, to the nearest inch, of a large can of tuna fish that has a volume of 66 cubic inches and a height of 3.3 inches.

4. The formula for the area of a trapezoid is \( A = \frac{1}{2}h(b_1 + b_2) \). Express \( b_1 \) in terms of \( A \), \( h \), and \( b_2 \). The area of a trapezoid is 60 square feet, its height is 6 ft, and one base is 12 ft. Find the number of feet in the other base.
A.CED.A.4: Transform Formulas

Answer Section

1. ANS: A

   Strategy: Use the four column method to isolate $r$.

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<td>$\pi r^2 h$</td>
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<td>Divide both expressions by $\pi h$</td>
<td>$\frac{V}{\pi h}$</td>
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<td>$\frac{\pi r^2 h}{\pi h}$</td>
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<td>Simplify</td>
<td>$\frac{V}{\pi h}$</td>
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<td>$r^2$</td>
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<td>Take square root of both expressions.</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi h}}$</td>
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2. ANS:

   $S = 180(n - 2)$
   
   $S = 180n - 360$
   
   $S + 360 = 180n$
   
   $\frac{S + 360}{180} = n$
   
   or
   
   $\frac{S}{180} + 2 = n$

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3. ANS:

a) \[ r = \sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi h}} \]

b) 5 inches

Strategy: Use the four column method to isolate \( r \) and create a new formula, then use the new formula to answer the problem.

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<td>( \frac{\pi r^2 h}{\pi h} )</td>
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<td>Divide both expressions by ( \pi h ) ( \frac{V}{\pi h} )</td>
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<td>( r^2 )</td>
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<td>Simplify ( \frac{V}{\pi h} )</td>
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<td>( r )</td>
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<td>Take square root of both expressions. ( \sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi h}} )</td>
<td>=</td>
<td>( r )</td>
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Substitute the values from the problem into the new equation.

\( V = 66, \ h = 3.3 \)

\[ r = \sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi h}} \]

\[ r = \sqrt{\frac{66}{\pi(3.3)}} \]

\[ r = \sqrt{\frac{20}{\pi}} \]

\[ r \approx \sqrt{6.4} \]

\[ r \approx 2.52 \]

If the radius is approximately 2.5 inches, the diameter is approximately 5 inches.

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4. ANS:

a) \( b_1 = \frac{2A}{h} - b_2 \)

b) The other base is 8 feet.

Strategy: Use the four column method to isolate \( b_1 \) and create a new formula, then use it to find the length of the other base.

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<td>Multiply both expressions by 2</td>
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<td>( h(b_1 + b_2) )</td>
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<td>Divide both expressions by ( h )</td>
<td>( \frac{2A}{h} )</td>
<td>=</td>
<td>( \frac{h(b_1 + b_2)}{h} )</td>
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<td>Simplify</td>
<td>( \frac{2A}{h} )</td>
<td>=</td>
<td>( b_1 + b_2 )</td>
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<tr>
<td>Subtract ( b_2 ) from both expressions</td>
<td>( \frac{2A}{h} - b_2 )</td>
<td>=</td>
<td>( b_1 )</td>
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Substitute the values stated in the problem in the formula.

\[
A = 60, \ h = 6, \ b_2 = 12
\]

\[
b_1 = \frac{2A}{h} - b_2
\]

\[
b_1 = \frac{2(60)}{6} - 12
\]

\[
b_1 = \frac{120}{6} - 12
\]

\[
b_1 = 20 - 12
\]

\[
b_1 = 8 \text{ feet}
\]

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A.REI.B.3: Solve Linear Equations and Inequalities in One Variable.

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

A.REI.B.3: Solving Linear Equations and Inequalities in One Variable

B. Solve equations and inequalities in one variable.
3. Solve linear equations and inequalities in one variable, including equations with coefficients represented by letters (linear equations and inequalities only).

**Vocabulary**

A **term** is a number \{1,2,3,…\}, a variable \{x,y,z,a,b,c,…\}, or the product of a number and a variable \{2x, 3y, ½ a, etc.\}. Terms are separated by + or – signs in an expression, and the + or – signs are part of each term. (Everything inside parenthesis is treated as one term until the parentheses are removed.)

A **variable** is a letter that represents an unknown value(s). When we are asked to solve an equation, it usually means that we must isolate the variable and find its value.

A **coefficient** is a number that comes in front of a variable. A coefficient can be an integer, a decimal, or a fraction. A coefficient multiplies the variable. Every variable has a coefficient. If a variable appears to have no coefficient, it’s coefficient is an “invisible 1”

An **expression** is a mathematical statement consisting of one or more terms.

An **equation** is two expressions that have an equal (=) sign between them.

**Big Idea**

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<td>2x + 0</td>
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<td>( \frac{2x}{2} )</td>
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<td>( \frac{8}{2} )</td>
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<td>( x )</td>
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<td>Check</td>
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**Inequality Symbols:**

- \(<\): less than
- \(\): greater than
- \(\leq\): less than or equal to
- \(\geq\): greater than or equal to
- \(\neq\): not equal to

The **solution of an inequality** includes any values that make the inequality true. Solutions to inequalities can be graphed on a number line using open and closed dots.

**Open Dots v Closed Dots**

**Square vs Curved Parentheses**

- **Graph of** \(x > 1\) or \((1...\)**
  - means 1 *is not* included in the solution set.
  - \([-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3]\)
  - Lesser \(\Rightarrow\) Greater

- **Graph of** \(x \geq 1\) or \([1...\)**
  - means 1 *is* included in the solution set
  - \([-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3]\)
  - Lesser \(\Rightarrow\) Greater

- **Graph of** \(x < 1\) or \(...1\)
  - means 1 *is not* included in the solution set
  - \([-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3]\)
  - Lesser \(\Rightarrow\) Greater

- **Graph of** \(x \leq 1\) or \(...1]\)
  - means 1 *is* included in the solution set
  - \([-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3]\)
  - Lesser \(\Rightarrow\) Greater

- **Graph of** \(x \neq 1\)
  - \([-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3]\)
  - Lesser \(\Rightarrow\) Greater

**The Big Rule for Solving Inequalities:**

- All the rules for solving equations apply to inequalities – plus one:

  **When an inequality is multiplied or divided by any negative number, the direction of the inequality sign changes.**
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. Which value of $x$ satisfies the equation $\frac{7}{3} \left( x + \frac{9}{28} \right) = 20$?
   a. 8.25  
   b. 8.89  
   c. 19.25  
   d. 44.92

2. What is the value of $x$ in the equation $\frac{x-2}{3} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$?
   a. 4  
   b. 6  
   c. 8  
   d. 11

3. The inequality $7 - \frac{2}{3}x < x - 8$ is equivalent to
   a. $x > 9$  
   b. $x > \frac{3}{5}$  
   c. $x < 9$  
   d. $x < \frac{3}{5}$

4. Given $2x + ax - 7 > -12$, determine the largest integer value of $a$ when $x = -1$.

5. Given that $a > b$, solve for $x$ in terms of $a$ and $b$:
   
   $b(x - 3) \geq ax + 7b$

6. Solve for $x$ algebraically: $7x - 3(4x - 8) \leq 6x + 12 - 9x$
   If $x$ is a number in the interval $[4,8]$, state all integers that satisfy the given inequality. Explain how you determined these values.
### A.REI.B.3: Solve Linear Equations and Inequalities in One Variable.

#### Answer Section

1. **ANS: A**

   **Strategy:** Use the four column method.

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<td>Divide both expressions by $\frac{7}{3}$ (Division property of equality)</td>
<td>$\frac{7}{3}(x + \frac{9}{28})$</td>
<td>$=$</td>
<td>$\frac{20}{7}$ $\frac{1}{3}$</td>
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<td>Cancel and Simplify</td>
<td>$x + \frac{9}{28}$</td>
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<td>Subtract $\frac{9}{28}$ from both expressions (Subtraction property of equality)</td>
<td>$x$</td>
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<td>$\frac{60}{7} - \frac{9}{28}$</td>
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<td>$x$</td>
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<td>$\frac{4}{1}\left(\frac{7x}{1}\right)$</td>
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<td>$28x$</td>
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2. ANS: A  
Strategy: Use the four column method.

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KEY: fractional expressions

3. ANS: A  
Strategy: Use the four column method for solving and documenting an equation or inequality.

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<td>Add +8 to both</td>
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4. ANS:
The largest integer value for \( a \) is 0.
Strategy: Use the four column method.

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<td>( 2x + ax - 7 )</td>
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<td>Substitute -1 for ( x )</td>
<td>( 2(-1) + a(-1) - 7 )</td>
<td>&gt;</td>
<td>-12</td>
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<td>Simplify</td>
<td>(-2 - a - 7)</td>
<td>&gt;</td>
<td>-12</td>
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<td>Combine like terms</td>
<td>(-a - 9)</td>
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<td>(-a)</td>
<td>&gt;</td>
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Since \( a \) must be less than 1, the largest integer value that is less than one is zero.

PTS: 2  REF: 061427ai  NAT: A.REI.B.3  TOP: Solving Linear Inequalities

5. ANS:
\[
x \leq \frac{10b}{b - a}
\]
Strategy: Use the four column method. Remember that \( a > b \).

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| Divide by \((b - a)\)        | \( x \)          | \( \leq \) | \( \frac{10b}{b - a} \)  \\
| (See NOTE below)             |                 |      |                  |

NOTE: Since \( a > b \), the expression \((b - a)\) must be a negative number. When dividing an inequality by a negative number, the direction of the inequality sign must be reversed.

PTS: 2  REF: 011631ai  NAT: A.REI.B.3  TOP: Solving Linear Inequalities
6. ANS:  
6, 7, 8 are the numbers greater than or equal to 6 in the interval.

Strategy: Use the four column method to solve the inequality, then interpret the solution.

STEP 1: Solve the inequality.

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STEP 2: Interpret the solution set for the interval [4,8].
The interval [4,8] contains the integers 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8.
If $x \geq 6$, then the solution set of integers is $\{6, 7, 8\}$.

PTS: 4       REF: 081534ai       NAT: A.REI.B.3       TOP: Solving Linear Inequalities
F.LE.B.5: Interpret Parts of an Expression or Equation

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

F.LE.B.5: Interpret Parts of an Expression or Equation

B. Interpret expressions for functions in terms of the situation they model.
5. Interpret the parameters in a linear or exponential function in terms of a context (linear and exponential of form $f(x) = b^x + k$).

**Big Idea**

Each number, variable, or product of a number and variable in an expression can be represented in narrative form.

**Example:**

Exponential growth can be modeled by the function $A = P(1 + r)^t$, where:
- $A$ represents the current amount,
- $P$ represents the starting amount,
- $(1 + r)$ represents the rate of growth per cycle, and
- $t$ represents the number of growth cycles.

If the current amount of money in one student’s savings account is represented by the function $A(t) = 1000(1.03)^t$, then the rate of growth is 3 percent, because $(1 + r) = (1 + .03)$ and .03 is equal to 3 percent.

**Vocabulary**

parameter $(A)(G)(A2T)$ A quantity or constant whose value varies with the circumstances of its application.

Example: In $y = ax^2$ a is a parameter

**REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD**

1. A company that manufactures radios first pays a start-up cost, and then spends a certain amount of money to manufacture each radio. If the cost of manufacturing $r$ radios is given by the function $c(r) = 5.25r + 125$, then the value 5.25 best represents
   a. the start-up cost
   b. the profit earned from the sale of one radio
   c. the amount spent to manufacture each radio
   d. the average number of radios manufactured
2. A satellite television company charges a one-time installation fee and a monthly service charge. The total cost is modeled by the function \( y = 40 + 90x \). Which statement represents the meaning of each part of the function?

a. \( y \) is the total cost, \( x \) is the number of months of service, $90 is the installation fee, and $40 is the service charge per month.

b. \( y \) is the total cost, \( x \) is the number of months of service, $40 is the installation fee, and $90 is the service charge per month.

c. \( x \) is the total cost, \( y \) is the number of months of service, $40 is the installation fee, and $90 is the service charge per month.

d. \( x \) is the total cost, \( y \) is the number of months of service, $90 is the installation fee, and $40 is the service charge per month.

3. The cost of belonging to a gym can be modeled by \( C(m) = 50m + 79.50 \), where \( C(m) \) is the total cost for \( m \) months of membership. State the meaning of the slope and \( y \)-intercept of this function with respect to the costs associated with the gym membership.

4. The number of carbon atoms in a fossil is given by the function \( y = 5100(0.95)^x \), where \( x \) represents the number of years since being discovered. What is the percent of change each year? Explain how you arrived at your answer.

5. The breakdown of a sample of a chemical compound is represented by the function \( p(t) = 300(0.5)^t \), where \( p(t) \) represents the number of milligrams of the substance and \( t \) represents the time, in years. In the function \( p(t) \), explain what 0.5 and 300 represent.
6. The owner of a small computer repair business has one employee, who is paid an hourly rate of $22. The owner estimates his weekly profit using the function \( P(x) = 8600 - 22x \). In this function, \( x \) represents the number of
   a. computers repaired per week  
   b. hours worked per week  
   c. customers served per week  
   d. days worked per week

7. Some banks charge a fee on savings accounts that are left inactive for an extended period of time. The equation \( y = 5000(0.98)^x \) represents the value, \( y \), of one account that was left inactive for a period of \( x \) years. What is the \( y \)-intercept of this equation and what does it represent?
   a. 0.98, the percent of money in the account initially  
   b. 0.98, the percent of money in the account after \( x \) years  
   c. 5000, the amount of money in the account initially  
   d. 5000, the amount of money in the account after \( x \) years

8. The function \( V(t) = 1350(1.017)^t \) represents the value \( V(t) \), in dollars, of a comic book \( t \) years after its purchase. The yearly rate of appreciation of the comic book is
   a. 17%  
   b. 1.7%  
   c. 1.017%  
   d. 0.017%
F.LE.B.5: Interpret Parts of an Expression or Equation

Answer Section

1. **ANS: C**
   
   **Strategy:** Interpret the function \( c(r) = 5.25r + 125 \) in narrative (word) form.
   
   \[
   c(r) = 5.25r + 125
   \]
   
   the cost of manufacturing \( r \) radios = $5.25 for each radio plus a start-up cost of $125

   $5.25 for each radio represents the amount spent to manufacture each radio, which is answer choice c.

   **PTS:** 2  
   **REF:** 061407ai  
   **NAT:** F.LE.B.5  
   **TOP:** Modeling Linear Equations

2. **ANS: B**
   
   **Strategy:** Interpret the function \( y = 40 + 90x \) in narrative (word) form.
   
   \[
   y = 40 + 90x
   \]
   
   total cost = a one time installation fee of $40 plus a $90 service charge times the number of months

   **PTS:** 2  
   **REF:** 081402ai  
   **NAT:** F.LE.B.5  
   **TOP:** Modeling Linear Equations

3. **ANS:**
   
   \[
   y = mx + b
   \]
   
   \[
   y = (\text{slope})x + (\text{y-intercept})
   \]
   
   \[
   C(x) = 50(m) + 79.50
   \]

   The slope is 50 and represents the amount paid each month for membership in the gym. The y-intercept is 79.50 and represents the initial cost of membership.

   **PTS:** 2  
   **REF:** 011629ai  
   **NAT:** F.LE.B.5  
   **TOP:** Modeling Linear Functions
4. **ANS:**

The percent of change each year is 5%.

**Strategy:** Use information from the problem together with the standard formula for exponential decay, which is 

\[ A = P(1 - r)^t \]

where \( A \) represents the amount remaining, \( P \) represents the initial amount, \( r \) represents the rate of decay, and \( t \) represents the number of cycles of decay.

\[ y = 5100(0.95)^x \]

The structures of the equations show that \((1 - r) = 0.95\).

Solving for \( r \) shows that \( r = 0.05 \), or 5%.

\[
\begin{align*}
(1 - r) &= 0.95 \\
-r &= 0.95 - 1 \\
-r &= -0.05 \\
r &= 0.05
\end{align*}
\]

**PTS:** 2  **REF:** 081530ai  **NAT:** F.LE.B.5  **TOP:** Modeling Exponential Functions

5. **ANS:**

0.5 represents the rate of decay and 300 represents the initial amount of the compound.

**Strategy:** Use information from the problem together with the standard formula for exponential decay, which is 

\[ A = P(1 - r)^t \]

where \( A \) represents the amount remaining, \( P \) represents the initial amount, \( r \) represents the rate of decay, and \( t \) represents the number of cycles of decay.

\[ p(t) = 300(0.5)^t \]

The structures of the equations show that \( P = 300 \) and \((1 - r) = 0.5\).

Accordingly, 300 represents the initial amount of chemical substance in milligrams and 0.5 represents the rate of decay each year.

**PTS:** 2  **REF:** 061426ai  **NAT:** F.LE.B.5  **TOP:** Modeling Exponential Equations

6. **ANS:** B

The problem states that the employee is paid an hourly rate of $22.

In the equation \( P(x) = 8600 - 22x \), the hourly rate of $22 appears next to the letter \( x \), which is a variable representing the number of hours that the employee works.

**DIMS (Does it Make Sense?)**

Yes. The equation \( P(x) = 8600 - 22x \) says that the owner’s profit \( P \) is a function of how much the employee gets paid. As the value of \( x \) increases, the employee gets paid more and the owner’s profits get smaller.

**PTS:** 2  **REF:** 011501ai  **NAT:** A.SSE.A.1  **TOP:** Modeling Linear Equations
7. ANS: C

Strategy 1: The y-intercept of a function occurs when the value of \( x \) is 0. The strategy is to evaluate the function \( y = 5000(0.98)^x \) for \( x = 0 \)

\[
5000(0.98)^0 = 5000
\]

This represents the amount of money in the account before exponential decay begins.

Strategy 2. Input the equation in a graphing calculator and view the table of values.

The table of values clearly shows the initial value of the account and its exponential decay.

PTS: 2 REF: 011515ai NAT: F.IF.C.8b TOP: Modeling Exponential Equations

8. ANS: B

Strategy: Identify each of the parts of the function \( V(t) = 1350(1.017)^t \), then answer the question.

\( V(t) \) represents the current value of the comic book in dollars. 
1350 represents the original value of the comic book when it was purchased. 
(1.017) represents the growth factor, which consists of \((1+r)\), where \( r \) is the rate of growth per year. The value of \( r \) is 0.017, which is found by subtracting 1 from (1.017). 
\( t \) represents the number of years since its purchase.

The problem wants to know the value of \( r \), which is 0.017. However, all of the answer choices are expressed as percents rather than decimals. A decimal may be converted to a percent as follows:

\[
\frac{0.017}{1} = \frac{x\%}{100}\%
\]

\[
0.017 \times 100 = x\%
\]

\[
1.7\% = x\%
\]

The yearly appreciation rate of the comic book is 1.7\% and the correct answer is b.

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? The appreciation rate seems to make sense, but it is difficult to understand why someone would originally pay $1,350 for a comic book.

PTS: 2 REF: 061517ai NAT: A.SSE.A.1 TOP: Modeling Exponential Equations
A.REI.D.10: Interpret Graphs as Sets of Solutions

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

A.REI.D.10: Interpret Graphs as Sets of Solutions

D. Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.

10. Understand that the graph of an equation in two variables is the set of all its solutions plotted in the coordinate plane, often forming a curve (which could be a line).

BIG IDEAS

Three Facts About Graphs and Their Equations

1. The graph of an equation represents the set of all points that satisfy the equation (make the equation balance).
2. Each and every point on the graph of an equation represents a coordinate pair that can be substituted into the equation to make the equation true.
3. If a point is on the graph of the equation, the point is a solution to the equation.

How to Graph Linear Equations:

To graph a linear equation, you need to know either of the following:

· The coordinates of two points on the line, or
· The coordinates of one point on the line and the slope of the line.

Two Points: If you know two points on the line, simply plot both of them and draw a straight line passing through the two points.

One Point and the Slope: If you know one point on the line and the slope of the line, plot the point and use the slope to find a second point. Then, draw a straight line passing through the two points.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. The graph of a linear equation contains the points (3,11) and (−2,1). Which point also lies on the graph?
   a. (2,1)    c. (2,6)
   b. (2,4)    d. (2,9)
2. Sue and Kathy were doing their algebra homework. They were asked to write the equation of the line that passes through the points (−3,4) and (6,1). Sue wrote \( y - 4 = \frac{1}{3} (x + 3) \) and Kathy wrote \( y = \frac{1}{3} x + 3 \). Justify why both students are correct.

3. On the set of axes below, draw the graph of the equation \( y = \frac{3}{4} x + 3 \).

Is the point (3,2) a solution to the equation? Explain your answer based on the graph drawn.
A.REI.D.10: Interpret Graphs as Sets of Solutions

Answer Section

1. ANS: D

   Strategy: Find the slope of the line between the two points, then use \( y - mx + b \) to find the y-intercept, then write the equation of the line and determine which answer choice is also on the line.

STEP 1. Find the slope of the line that passes through the points \((3,11)\) and \((-2,1)\).

\[
m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{11 - 1}{-2 - 3} = \frac{10}{-5} = -2
\]

Write \( y = mx + b \)

STEP 2. Use either given point and the equation \( y = 2x + b \) to solve for \( b \), the y-intercept. The following calculation uses the point \((3,11)\).

\[
y = 2x + b
\]

\[
11 = 2(3) + b
\]

\[
11 = 6 + b
\]

\[
b = 5
\]

Write \( y = 2x + 5 \)

STEP 3 Determine which answer choice balances the equation \( y = 2x + 5 \).

Use a graphing calculator

or simply solve the equation \( y = 2x + 5 \) for \( y \) when \( x = 2 \).

\[
y = 2x + 5
\]

\[
y = 2(2) + 5
\]

\[
y = 4 + 5
\]

\[
y = 9
\]

The point \((2,9)\) is also on the line.

PTS: 2 REF: 011511ai NAT: A.REI.D.10 TOP: Graphing Linear Functions
2. ANS:
Strategy: Input both equations in a graphing calculator and see if they produce the same outputs.

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<td>( y_2 = -\frac{1}{3} x + 3 )</td>
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<td>( y_1 = \frac{1}{3} (x + 3) + 4 )</td>
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Both students are correct because both equations pass through the points \((-3, 4)\) and \((6,1)\).

Alternate justification: Show that the points \((-3, 4)\) and \((6,1)\) satisfy both equations.

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<td>( 1 - 4 = -\frac{1}{3} (6 + 3) )</td>
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<td>( 1 = 1 )</td>
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Both students are correct because the points \((-3, 4)\) and \((6,1)\) satisfy both equations.

PTS: 2  REF: 061629ai  NAT: A.REI.D.10  TOP: Writing Linear Equations
KEY: other forms
3. ANS:

No, because (3,2) is not on the graph.

Strategy #1. Use the y-intercept and the slope to plot the graph of the line, then determine if the point (3,2) is on the graph.

STEP 1. Plot the y-intercept.
Plot (0,3). The given equation is in the slope intercept form of a line, \( y = mx + b \), where \( b \) is the y-intercept. The value of \( b \) is 3, so the graph of the equation crosses the y axis at (0,3).

STEP 2. Use the slope of the line to find and plot a second point on the line. The given equation is in the slope intercept form of a line, \( y = mx + b \), where \( m \) is the slope. The value of \( m \) is \( -\frac{3}{4} \), so the graph of the equation has a negative slope that goes down three units and across four units. Starting at the y-intercept, (0,3), if you go down 3 and over 4, the graph of the line will pass through the point (4,0).

STEP 3. Use a straightedge to draw a line that passes through the points (0,3) and (4,0).

STEP 4. Inspect the graph to determine if the point (3,2) is on the line. It is not.

Strategy #2. Input the equation of the line into a graphing calculator, then use the table of values to plot the graph of the line and to determine if the point (3,2) is on the line.

Be sure to explain your answer in terms of the graph and not in terms of the table of values or the function rule.

PTS: 2      REF: 061429ai      NAT: A.REI.D.10      TOP: Graphing Linear Functions
S.ID.C.7 Interpret Slope and Intercept

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

S.ID.C.7 Interpret Slope and Intercept

C. Interpret linear models

7. Interpret the slope (rate of change) and the intercept (constant term) of a linear model in the context of the data.

Rate of Change goes by many different names. They all mean the same thing,

\[
\text{Rate of Change} = \frac{\Delta \text{ dep. variable}}{\Delta \text{ ind. variable}} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \text{slope} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{\text{change in } y}{\text{change in } x}
\]

Positive Slope
Goes up from left to right.

Negative Slope
Goes down from left to right.

Zero Slope
A horizontal line has a slope of zero.

Undefined Slope
A vertical line has an undefined slope.

Two ways to measure slope.
- Use the slope formula.
- Make a right triangle and measure the legs.

Slope Formula:

\[
slope = m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}
\]
**Measuring the Legs of Right Triangles:**

You can use right triangles to measure or calculate the slope of any straight line.

1. Identify the coordinates of any two points on a line.
2. Determine if the slope of the line is positive or negative.
3. Make a right triangle using the two given end-points as vertices on either end of the hypotenuse. (One leg will be parallel to the x-axis and the other leg will be parallel to the y-axis.)
4. Calculate or measure the height and the base of the right triangle.
5. Record the height and base of the triangle as a fraction in the form of

\[
\frac{\text{height}}{\text{base}} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = m = \text{slope}.
\]

6. When you combine your fraction with the sign of the slope of the line, you have the “algebraic” slope of the line.

**REGENTS PROBLEM TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD**

1. During a recent snowstorm in Red Hook, NY, Jaime noted that there were 4 inches of snow on the ground at 3:00 p.m., and there were 6 inches of snow on the ground at 7:00 p.m. If she were to graph these data, what does the slope of the line connecting these two points represent in the context of this problem?
S.ID.C.7 Interpret Slope and Intercept

Answer Section

1. ANS:

\[ \text{slope} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{6 - 4}{7 - 3} = \frac{2 \text{ inches of snow}}{4 \text{ hours}} \]

The slope represents the rate of snowfall, which is 2 inches of snow every 4 hours.

PTS: 2  
REF: 061630ai  
NAT: F.IF.B.6  
TOP: Modeling Linear Functions
F.IF.B.6: Calculate and Interpret Rate of Change

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES
F.IF.B.6: Calculate and Interpret Average Rate of Change

B. Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context.
6. Calculate and interpret the average rate of change of a function (presented symbolically or as a table) over a specified interval. Estimate the rate of change from a graph.

**BIG IDEA**

**Average Rate of Change** is the slope of the straight line that connects the end points of the interval over which it is measured.

Example: The graph below shows how far a family travelled on a trip.

![Graph showing distance travelled versus elapsed time]

The slopes of the different line segments indicate they travelled at different speeds during the trip. Speed is a rate of change. Instantaneous speed is how fast they were travelling at any point in time, and is measured by the car’s speedometer. To compute their average speed, or (average rate of change) for the entire trip, use the end points of the interval over which they travelled. They started at the origin (0,0) and they ended their trip ten hours and 390 miles later, expressed on the graph as (10,390). Their average rate of change can be calculated using the slope formula, as follows:

\[
slope = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}
\]

\[
\text{average rate of change} = \frac{390 - 0}{10 - 0}
\]

\[
\text{average speed} = 39
\]
1. The graph below shows the variation in the average temperature of Earth's surface from 1950-2000, according to one source.

During which years did the temperature variation change the most per unit time? Explain how you determined your answer.
2. The Jamison family kept a log of the distance they traveled during a trip, as represented by the graph below.

During which interval was their average speed the greatest?
   a. the first hour to the second hour  
   b. the second hour to the fourth hour  
   c. the sixth hour to the eighth hour  
   d. the eighth hour to the tenth hour

3. Joey enlarged a 3-inch by 5-inch photograph on a copy machine. He enlarged it four times. The table below shows the area of the photograph after each enlargement.

<table>
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<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
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<tr>
<td>Area (square inches)</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>18.8</td>
<td>23.4</td>
<td>29.3</td>
<td>36.6</td>
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What is the average rate of change of the area from the original photograph to the fourth enlargement, to the nearest tenth?
   a. 4.3  
   b. 4.5  
   c. 5.4  
   d. 6.0

4. The table below shows the cost of mailing a postcard in different years. During which time interval did the cost increase at the greatest average rate?

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>1898</th>
<th>1971</th>
<th>1985</th>
<th>2006</th>
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   a. 1898-1971  
   b. 1971-1985  
   c. 1985-2006  
   d. 2006-2012
5. The table below shows the average diameter of a pupil in a person’s eye as he or she grows older.

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<th>Age (years)</th>
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<td>2.7</td>
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<td>80</td>
<td>2.3</td>
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What is the average rate of change, in millimeters per year, of a person’s pupil diameter from age 20 to age 80?

a. 2.4  

b. 0.04  

c. −2.4  

d. −0.04

6. An astronaut drops a rock off the edge of a cliff on the Moon. The distance, \(d(t)\), in meters, the rock travels after \(t\) seconds can be modeled by the function \(d(t) = 0.8t^2\). What is the average speed, in meters per second, of the rock between 5 and 10 seconds after it was dropped?

a. 12  

b. 20  

c. 60  

d. 80
F.IF.B.6: Calculate and Interpret Rate of Change

Answer Section

1. ANS:
   During 1960-1965, because the graph has the steepest slope during these years.

   PTS: 2 REF: 011628ai NAT: F.IF.B.6 TOP: Rate of Change

2. ANS: A
   Strategy: Equate speed with rate of change. \[
   \text{speed} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \text{slope} = \text{rate of change}
   \]
   Make a visual estimate of the steepest line segment on the graph, then use the slope formula to calculate the exact rates of change.

   STEP 1. The line segment from (1, 40) to (2, 110) appears to be the steepest line segment in the graph. The line segment from (6, 230) to (8, 350) also seems very steep.

   STEP 2. Use \( \text{slope} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \)
   The line segment from (1, 40) to (2, 110) has \( \text{slope} = \frac{110 - 40}{2 - 1} = \frac{70}{1} = 70 \text{ miles per hour} \).
   The line segment from (6, 230) to (8, 350) has \( \text{slope} = \frac{350 - 230}{8 - 6} = \frac{120}{2} = 60 \text{ miles per hour} \).

   PTS: 2 REF: 061418ai NAT: F.IF.B.6 TOP: Rate of Change

3. ANS: C
   Strategy: Use the slope formula and data from the table to calculate the exact rate of change over four enlargements.

   STEP 1. Use \( \text{slope} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \) to compute the rate of change between (0, 15) and (4, 36.6).
   \[
   \text{slope} = \frac{36.6 - 15}{4 - 0} = \frac{21.6}{4} = 5.4.
   \]

   DIMS? Does it make sense? Yes. If you start with 15 and add 5.4 + 5.4 + 5.4 + 5.4, you end up with 36.6. There were four enlargements and the average increase of each enlargement was 5.4 square inches.

   PTS: 2 REF: 061511ai NAT: F.IF.B.6 TOP: Rate of Change
4. ANS: D

Strategy: Find the average rate of change using the slope formula: \( m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \).

(a) \( \frac{6 - 1}{1971 - 1898} = \frac{5}{73} \approx 0.07 \)

(b) \( \frac{14 - 6}{1985 - 1971} = \frac{8}{14} \approx 0.57 \)

(c) \( \frac{24 - 14}{2006 - 1985} = \frac{10}{21} \approx 0.48 \)

(d) \( \frac{35 - 24}{2012 - 2006} = \frac{11}{6} \approx 1.83 \)

PTS: 2 REF: 011613ai NAT: F.IF.B.6 TOP: Rate of Change

5. ANS: D

Strategy: Rate of change is the same as slope. Use the slope formula to find the rate of change between \((20, 4.7)\) and \((80, 2.3)\).

\[
\text{slope} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{2.3 - 4.7}{80 - 20} = \frac{-2.4}{60} = -0.04.
\]

DIMS? Does it make sense? Yes. The average pupil diameter gets smaller very very slowly. Choices a and c are way too big and choices a and b indicate that the average pupil size is getting bigger rather than smaller.

PTS: 2 REF: 081414ai NAT: F.IF.B.6 TOP: Rate of Change

6. ANS: A

Strategy: Use the formula for speed: \( \text{speed} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}} \) and information from the problem to calculate average speed.

STEP 1. Calculate \( d(t) \) for \( t = 5 \) and \( t = 10 \).

\[ d(t) = 0.8t^2 \quad \text{and} \quad d(t) = 0.8t^2 \]

\[ d(5) = 0.8(5)^2 \quad d(10) = 0.8(10)^2 \]

\[ d(5) = 20 \quad d(10) = 80 \]

The rock had fallen 20 meters after 5 seconds and 80 meters after 10 seconds.

The total distance traveled was 60 meters in 5 seconds.

STEP 2: Use the speed formula to find average speed.

Substituting distance and time in the speed formula, \( \text{speed} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}} = \frac{60 \text{ meters}}{5 \text{ seconds}} = 12 \text{ meters per second} \).

The rock’s average speed between 5 and 10 seconds after being dropped was 12 meters per second.

DIMS? Does it make sense? Yes. The speed formula makes sense and the answer is expressed in meters per second as required by the problem.

PTS: 2 REF: 011521ai NAT: F.IF.B.6 TOP: Rate of Change
F.IF.B.4: Identify and Interpret Key Features of Graphs

**EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES**

F.IF.B.4: Identify and Interpret Key Features of Graphs

B. Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context.

4. For a function that models a relationship between two quantities, interpret key features of graphs and tables in terms of the quantities, and sketch graphs showing key features given a verbal description of the relationship. Key features include: intercepts; intervals where the function is increasing, decreasing, positive, or negative; relative maximums and minimums; symmetries; end behavior; and periodicity (linear, exponential and quadratic).

**Vocabulary**

**x-intercept** The point at which the graph of a relation intercepts the x-axis. The ordered pair for this point has a value of $y = 0$.

**Example:** The equation $y = 8 + 2x$ has an x-intercept of -4.

**y-intercept** The point at which a graph of a relation intercepts the y-axis. The ordered pair for this point has a value of $x = 0$.

**Example:** The equation $y = 8 + 2x$ has a y-intercept of 8.

**axis of symmetry (G)** A line that divides a plane figure into two congruent reflected halves; Any line through a figure such that a point on one side of the line is the same distance to the axis as its corresponding point on the other side.

**Example:**

![Graph of a parabola with axis of symmetry](image)

This is a graph of the parabola $y = x^2 - 4x + 2$ together with its axis of symmetry $x = 2$.

**period (of a function) (A2T)** The horizontal distance after which the graph of a function starts repeating itself. The smallest value of $k$ in a function $f$ for which there exists some constant $k$ such that $f(t) = f(t + k)$ for every number $t$ in the domain of $f$. 
Slope

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<td>A horizontal line has a slope of zero.</td>
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End Behaviors

The end behaviors of a graph refers to the directions (behaviors) of the graph of $f(x)$ as $x$ approaches infinity in either direction. To determine the end behavior of the graph of any polynomial function, you need to know the degree of the polynomial and whether the leading coefficient is positive or negative. The table below shows the four possible sets of end behaviors of a polynomial function.

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| Degree of function is Odd | Example: $f(x) = x^3$ | Example: $f(x) = -x^3$ |
| End Behaviors | Left tail decreases | Right tail increases |
| | Left tail increases | Right tail decreases |
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. A ball is thrown into the air from the edge of a 48-foot-high cliff so that it eventually lands on the ground. The graph below shows the height, $y$, of the ball from the ground after $x$ seconds.

For which interval is the ball's height always decreasing?

a. $0 \leq x \leq 2.5$

b. $0 < x < 5.5$

c. $2.5 < x < 5.5$

d. $x \geq 2$
2. A football player attempts to kick a football over a goal post. The path of the football can be modeled by the function \( h(x) = -\frac{1}{225}x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x \), where \( x \) is the horizontal distance from the kick, and \( h(x) \) is the height of the football above the ground, when both are measured in feet. On the set of axes below, graph the function \( y = h(x) \) over the interval \( 0 \leq x \leq 150 \).

![Graph of h(x)](image)

Determine the vertex of \( y = h(x) \). Interpret the meaning of this vertex in the context of the problem. The goal post is 10 feet high and 45 yards away from the kick. Will the ball be high enough to pass over the goal post? Justify your answer.

3. A toy rocket is launched from the ground straight upward. The height of the rocket above the ground, in feet, is given by the equation \( h(t) = -16t^2 + 64t \), where \( t \) is the time in seconds. Determine the domain for this function in the given context. Explain your reasoning.
4. On the set of axes below, draw the graph of \( y = x^2 - 4x - 1 \).

State the equation of the axis of symmetry.

5. Which function has the same \( y \)-intercept as the graph below?

a. \( y = \frac{12 - 6x}{4} \)  
   b. \( 27 + 3y = 6x \)
   
   c. \( 6y + x = 18 \)  
   d. \( y + 3 = 6x \)
6. The graph below represents a jogger's speed during her 20-minute jog around her neighborhood.

![Graph of Jogger's Speed](image)

Which statement best describes what the jogger was doing during the 9 – 12 minute interval of her jog?

a. She was standing still.  
b. She was increasing her speed.  
c. She was decreasing her speed.  
d. She was jogging at a constant rate.

7. A driver leaves home for a business trip and drives at a constant speed of 60 miles per hour for 2 hours. Her car gets a flat tire, and she spends 30 minutes changing the tire. She resumes driving and drives at 30 miles per hour for the remaining one hour until she reaches her destination. On the set of axes below, draw a graph that models the driver’s distance from home.

![Graph of Distance from Home](image)
F.IF.B.4: Identify and Interpret Key Features of Graphs
Answer Section

1. ANS: C
   Strategy: Identify the domain of x that corresponds to a negative slope (decreasing height) in the function, then eliminate wrong answers.

   STEP 1. The axis of symmetry for the parabola is $x = 2.5$ and the graph has a negative slope after $x = 2.5$ all the way to $x = 5.5$, meaning that the height of the ball is decreasing over this interval.

   STEP 2. Eliminate wrong answers.
   Answer choice a can be eliminated because the the slope of the graph increases over the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2.5$.
   Answer choice b can be eliminated because the the slope of the graph both increases and decreases over the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2.5$.
   Answer choice c is the correct choice, because it shows the domain of x where the graph has a negative slope.
   Answer choice d can be eliminated because the the slope of the graph increases from $x \geq 2$ until $x = 2.5$.

  PTS: 2  REF: 061409ai  NAT: F.IF.B.4  TOP: Graphing Quadratic Functions
2. **ANS:**

![Graph Image]

b) The vertex is at \( (75, 25) \). This means that the ball will reach its highest (25 feet) when the horizontal distance is 75 feet.

c) No, the ball will not clear the goal post because it will be less than 10 feet high.

Strategy: Input the equation into a graphing calculator and use the table and graph views to complete the graph on paper, then find the vertex and determine if the ball will pass over the goal post.

STEP 1. Input \( h(x) = -\frac{1}{225}x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x \) into a graphing calculator. Set the window to reflect the interval \( 0 \leq x \leq 150 \) and estimate the height to be approximately \( \frac{1}{3} \) the domain of \( x \).

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Observe that the table of values has integer solutions at 15 unit intervals, so change the \( \Delta \text{Tbl} \) to 15.

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The change in \( \Delta \text{Tbl} \) results in a table of values that is easier to graph on paper.
Use the graph view and the table of values to complete the graph on paper.

STEP 2. Use the table of values to find the vertex. The vertex is located at \((75,25)\).

STEP 3. Convert 45 yards to 135 feet and determine if the ball will be 10 feet or higher when \(x = 135\).

\[
y = -\frac{1}{225}(135)^2 + \frac{2}{3}(135) = -81 + 90 = 9
\]

The ball will be 9 feet above the ground and will not go over the 10 feet high goal post.
3. **ANS:**
The rocket launches at $t = 0$ and lands at $t = 4$, so the domain of the function is $0 \leq x \leq 4$.

**Strategy:** Input the function into a graphing calculator and determine the flight of the rocket using the graph and table views of the function.

The toy rocket is in the air between 0 and 4 seconds, so the domain of the function is $0 \leq x \leq 4$.

**PTS:** 2  
**REF:** 081531ai  
**NAT:** F.IF.B.4  
**TOP:** Graphing Quadratic Functions
4. ANS:
Input the equation in a graphing calculator, then use the table and graph views to draw the graph.

The axis of symmetry is \( x = 2 \)

The equation for the axis of symmetry can also be found using the formula \( x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-(-4)}{2(1)} = \frac{4}{2} = 2 \)

PTS: 2  REF: 061627ai  NAT: F.IF.B.4  TOP: Graphing Quadratic Functions
NOT: NYSED classifies this as A.REI.D
5. ANS: D
   Strategy: Identify the y-intercept in the graph, then test each answer choice to see if it has the same y-intercept.

   STEP 1. Identify the y-intercept in the graph.
   The y-intercept is can be defined as the y-value of the coordinate where the graph intercepts (passes through) the y-axis. The graph shows that the function passes through the y-axis at the point \((0, -3)\), so the value of the y-intercept is -3.

   STEP 2. Test the other equations to see if the point \((0, -3)\) works.

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PTS: 2  REF: 011509ai  NAT: F.IF.B.4  TOP: Graphing Linear Functions

6. ANS: D
   Strategy: Pay close attention to the labels on the x-axis and the y-axis, then eliminate wrong answers. NOTE: A horizontal line (no slope) means that speed is not changing.

   Answer a can be eliminated because she would have a speed of 0 if she were standing still. She was only standing still at the start and end of her jog.
   Answer b can be eliminated because the speed does not change during the 9 – 12 minute interval of her jog.
   Answer c can be eliminated because the speed does not change during the 9 – 12 minute interval of her jog.
   Answer d is the correct choice because a horizontal line (no slope) means that speed is not changing.

PTS: 2  REF: 061502ai  NAT: F.IF.B.4  TOP: Relating Graphs to Events
7. ANS:

Strategy - Use the speed of the car as the rate of change to complete the graph.

STEP 1. Plot 2 hours at 60 miles per hour slope, based on the language “... a constant speed of 60 miles per hour for 2 hours.”

STEP 2. Plot \( \frac{1}{2} \) hour at 0 slope based on the language “...she spends 30 minutes changing the tire.”

STEP 3. Plot 1 hour at 30 miles per hour slope based on the language “...drives at 30 miles per hour for the remaining one hour...”

PTS: 2       REF: 081528ai       NAT: F.IF.B.4       TOP: Relating Graphs to Events
A.SSE.B.3c: Use Properties of Exponents to Transform Expressions

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES
A.SSE.B.3c: Use Properties of Exponents to Transform Expressions

B. Write expressions in equivalent forms to solve problems.
3. Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression.

c. Use the properties of exponents to transform expressions for exponential functions. *For example the expression* \((1.15)^t\) 
can be rewritten as \(\left(1.15^{\frac{1}{12}}\right)^{12t}\) to reveal the approximate equivalent monthly interest rate if the annual rate is 15%.

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{m}{n} & \quad \text{power} \\
\sqrt[n]{a} & \quad \text{root} \\
\left(\sqrt[n]{a}\right)^m & \quad \text{base} \\
\sqrt[n]{a^m} & \quad \text{power}
\end{align*}
\]

Rules for Rational Exponents:

**Rule:** For any nonzero number \(a\), \(a^0 = 1\), and \(a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}\)

**Rule:** For any nonzero number \(a\) and any rational numbers \(m\) and \(n\), \(a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}\)

**Rule:** For any nonzero number \(a\) and any rational numbers \(m\) and \(n\), \((a^m)^n = a^{mn}\)

**Rule:** For any nonzero numbers \(a\) and \(b\) and any rational number \(n\), \((ab)^n = a^n b^n\)

**Rule:** For any nonzero number \(a\) and any rational numbers \(m\) and \(n\), \(\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}\)

A number is in **scientific notation** if it is written in the form \(a \times 10^n\), where \(n\) is an integer and \(1 \leq |a| < 10\).
1. The growth of a certain organism can be modeled by \( C(t) = 10(1.029)^{24t} \), where \( C(t) \) is the total number of cells after \( t \) hours. Which function is approximately equivalent to \( C(t) \)?
   a. \( C(t) = 240(0.083)^{24t} \)
   b. \( C(t) = 10(0.083)^t \)
   c. \( C(t) = 10(1.986)^t \)
   d. \( C(t) = 240(1.986)^{\frac{t}{24}} \)

2. Miriam and Jessica are growing bacteria in a laboratory. Miriam uses the growth function \( f(t) = n^{2t} \) while Jessica uses the function \( g(t) = n^{4t} \), where \( n \) represents the initial number of bacteria and \( t \) is the time, in hours. If Miriam starts with 16 bacteria, how many bacteria should Jessica start with to achieve the same growth over time?
   a. 32
   b. 16
   c. 8
   d. 4

3. Jacob and Jessica are studying the spread of dandelions. Jacob discovers that the growth over \( t \) weeks can be defined by the function \( f(t) = (8) \cdot 2^t \). Jessica finds that the growth function over \( t \) weeks is \( g(t) = 2^{t+3} \).

   Calculate the number of dandelions that Jacob and Jessica will each have after 5 weeks.

   Based on the growth from both functions, explain the relationship between \( f(t) \) and \( g(t) \).
A.SSE.B.3c: Use Properties of Exponents to Transform Expressions

Answer Section

1. ANS: C

Step 1. Understand that this problem wants you to find the function in the answer choices that is equivalent to $C(t) = 10(1.029)^{24t}$.

Step 2. Strategy. Use properties of exponents to rewrite the expression.

Step 3. Execute the strategy.

$$C(t) = 10(1.029)^{24t}$$

$$C(t) = 10(1.029^{24})^t$$

Use a calculator to find the value of $1.029^{24}$

$$C(t) \approx 10(1.986)^t$$

Choice c is the correct answer.

Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. Check by inputting both functions in a graphing calculator.

![Graphing Calculator Table]

PTS: 2 REF: 061614ai NAT: A.SSE.B.3c TOP: Exponential Equations
2. **ANS: D**
Understanding the Problem.
Miriam’s exponential growth function is modeled by \( f(t) = n^{2t} \). The problem tells us that \( n \) equals 16, so Miriam’s exponential growth function can be rewritten as \( f(t) = 16^{2t} \).

Jessica’s exponential growth function is modeled by \( g(t) = n^{4t} \). The quantity \( n \) is unknown for Jessica’s exponential growth function and the problem wants us to find the value of \( n \) that will make \( f(t) = g(t) \).

**Strategy:** Substitute equivalent expressions for \( f(t) \) and \( g(t) \), then solve for \( n \).

\[
\begin{align*}
16^{2t} &= n^{4t} \\
16^{2t} &= (n^2)^{2t} \\
16 &= n^2 \\
4 &= n
\end{align*}
\]

**DIMS?** Does It Make Sense? Yes. The outputs of \( f(t) = 16^{2t} \) and \( g(t) = 4^{4t} \) are identical.

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3. **ANS:**

Jacob and Jessica will both have 256 dandelions after 5 weeks.

\[
\begin{align*}
f(t) &= 8 \cdot 2^t & g(t) &= 2^{t+3} \\
\text{at } t = 5 & f(5) = 8 \cdot 32 & g(5) = 2^8 \\
\text{at } t = 5 & f(5) = 256 & g(5) = 256
\end{align*}
\]

Both functions express the same mathematical relationships.

\[
f(t) = g(t)
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
8 \cdot 2^t &= 2^{t+3} \\
8 \cdot 2^t &= 2^t \cdot 2^3 \\
8 \cdot 2^t &= 2^t \cdot 8
\end{align*}
\]

**PTS: 2**
F.IF.A.1: Define Functions

FUNCTIONS

F.IF.A.1: Define Functions

A. Understand the concept of a function and use function notation.

1. Understand that a function from one set (called the domain) to another set (called the range) assigns to each element of the domain exactly one element of the range. If $f$ is a function and $x$ is an element of its domain, then $f(x)$ denotes the output of $f$ corresponding to the input $x$. The graph of $f$ is the graph of the equation $y = f(x)$.

Function: A rule that assigns to each number $x$ in the function’s domain (x-axis) a unique number $f(x)$ in the function’s range (y-axis). A function takes the input value of an independent variable and pairs it with one and only one output value of a dependent variable.

Expressed as ordered Pairs:
Function: $(1,5) (2,6) (3,5)$
Not a Function: $(1,5) (2,7) (3,8) (1,6)$
Function: A function is a relation that assigns exactly one value of the dependent variable to each value of the independent variable. A function is always a relation.

Example: \( y = 2x \)

Relation: A relation may produce more than one output for a given input. A relation may or may not be a function.

Example: \( y^2 = x \)

\[ y = \sqrt{x} \]

This is not a function, because when \( x = 16 \), there is more than one \( y \)-value. \( \sqrt{16} = \pm 4 \).

A function can be represented four ways. These are:
- a context (verbal description)
- a function rule (equation)
- a table of values
- a graph.

Function Rules show the relationship between dependent and independent variables in the form of an equation with two variables.

- The independent variable is the input of the function and is typically denoted by the \( x \)-variable.
- The dependent variable is the output of the function and is typically denoted by the \( y \)-variable.

All linear equations in the form \( y = mx + b \) are functions except vertical lines.

2nd degree and higher equations may or may not be functions.

Tables of Values show the relationship between dependent and independent variables in the form of a table with columns and rows:

- The independent variable is the input of the function and is typically shown in the left column of a vertical table or the top row of a horizontal table.
- The dependent variable is the output of the function and is typically shown in the right column of a vertical table or the bottom row of a horizontal table.
Graphs show the relationship between dependent and independent variables in the form of line or curve on a coordinate plane:

- The value of independent variable is input of the function and is typically shown on the x-axis (horizontal axis) of the coordinate plane.
- The value of the dependent variable is the output of the function and is typically shown on the y-axis (vertical axis) of the coordinate plane.

**Vertical Line Test:** If a vertical line passes through a graph of an equation more than once, the graph is not a graph of a function. If you can draw a vertical line through any value of x in a relation, and the vertical line intersects the graph in two or more places, the relation is not a function.
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. Which representations are functions?

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II \{(1,1), (2,1), (3,2), (4,3), (5,5), (6,8), (7,13)\}  IV \ y = 2x + 1

a. I and II  c. III, only
b. II and IV  d. IV, only

2. Which table represents a function?

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3. The function \( f \) has a domain of \{1,3,5,7\} and a range of \{2,4,6\}. Could \( f \) be represented by \{(1,2),(3,4),(5,6),(7,2)\}? Justify your answer.
4. Marcel claims that the graph below represents a function.

State whether Marcel is correct. Justify your answer.
F.IF.A.1: Define Functions

Answer Section

1. ANS: B
   Strategy: Determine if each of the four views are functions, then select from the answer choices. A function is a relation that assigns exactly one value of the dependent variable to each value of the independent variable.

   I is not a function because when \( x = 2 \), \( y \) can equal both 6 and -6.
   II is a function because there are no values of \( x \) that have more than one value of \( y \).
   III is not a function because it fails the vertical line test, which means there are values of \( x \) that have more than one value of \( y \).
   IV is a function because it is a straight line that is not vertical.

   Answer choice b is the correct answer.

   PTS: 2    REF: 081511ai    NAT: F.IF.A.1    TOP: Defining Functions

2. ANS: C
   Strategy: Eliminate wrong answers. A function is a relation that assigns exactly one value of the dependent variable to each value of the independent variable.

   Answer choice a is not a function because there are two values of \( y \) when \( x = 2 \).
   Answer choice b is not a function because there are two values of \( y \) when \( x = 0 \).
   Answer choice c is a function because only one value of \( y \) is paired with each value of \( x \).
   Answer choice d is not a function because there are two values of \( y \) when \( x = 0 \).

   PTS: 2    REF: 061504ai    NAT: F.IF.A.1    TOP: Defining Functions

3. ANS:
   Yes, because every element of the domain is assigned one unique element in the range.

   Strategy: Determine if any value of \( x \) has more than one associated value of \( y \). A function has one and only one value of \( y \) for every value of \( x \).

   PTS: 2    REF: 061430ai    NAT: F.IF.A.1    TOP: Defining Functions

4. ANS:
   Marcel is not correct, because the relation does not pass the vertical line test. If you draw the vertical line \( x = 2 \), there will be more than one value of \( y \). A function can have one and only one value of \( y \) for every value of \( x \).

   PTS: 2    REF: 011626ai    NAT: F.IF.A.1    TOP: Defining Functions

KEY: graphs
F.IF.A.2: Use Function Notation

FUNCTIONS
F.IF.A.2: Use Function Notation

A. Understand the concept of a function and use function notation.
2. Use function notation, evaluate functions for inputs in their domains, and interpret statements that use function notation in terms of a context.

BIG IDEA #1 - Function Notation
In a function, the dependent y variable (on the y-axis of the graph) is paired with a a specific value of the independent x variable (on the x-axis of the graph). In function notation, $f(x)$ is used instead of the letter $y$. When graphing using function notation, the label of the y-axis is changed to show the $f(x)$ axis. There are three primary advantages to using function notation:

1. The use of function notation indicates that the relationship is a function, and
2. The use of function notation simplifies evaluation of the value of $f(x)$ for specific values of $x$.
3. The use of function notation allows greater flexibility and specificity in naming variables.

Examples:

| The equation | $f(x)$ | $x \rightarrow y$ | $f: x \mapsto y$ | $f = \{(x, y) | y = \text{expression}\}$ |
|--------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|----------------------------------------|
| $y = 3x^2 + 4$ | $f(x) = 3x^2 + 4$ | $x \mapsto 3x^2 + 4$ | $f: x \mapsto 3x^2 + 4$ | $f = \{(x, y) | 3x^2 + 4\}$ |
| $y = 2x$ | $f(x) = 2x$ | $x \mapsto 2x$ | $f: x \mapsto 2x$ | $f = \{(x, y) | 2x\}$ |

Note that the y variable can be replaced with many forms in function notation. The letters $f$ and $x$ are often replaced with other letter, so you might see something like $g(h) = 3x^2 + 4$. In this example, $g(h)$ still represents the value of $y$, the dependent variable.

To evaluate a function, substitute the indicated number of expression for the variable.

Example:

Given the function rule $f(x) = 3x^2 + 4$, find the value of $f(5)$ as follows:

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 4$$
$$f(5) = 3(5)^2 + 4$$
$$f(5) = 3(25) + 4$$
$$f(5) = 75 + 4$$
$$f(5) = 79$$
Vocabulary

The **domain of** \( x \) and the **range of** \( y \).

The **domain** of a function is the interval covered by the function on the x-axis. The **range** of a function is the interval covered by the function on the y-axis.

**BIG IDEA #2 - Functions Have Domains and Ranges**

The coordinate plane consists of two perpendicular number lines, which are commonly referred to as the x-axis and the y-axis. Each number line represents **the set of real numbers**.

A function maps an element of the **domain** onto one and only one element of the **range**.

**REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD**

1. The equation to determine the weekly earnings of an employee at The Hamburger Shack is given by \( w(x) \), where \( x \) is the number of hours worked.

\[
w(x) = \begin{cases} 
10x, & 0 \leq x \leq 40 \\
15(x - 40) + 400, & x > 40 
\end{cases}
\]

Determine the difference in salary, in dollars, for an employee who works 52 hours versus one who works 38 hours. Determine the number of hours an employee must work in order to earn $445. Explain how you arrived at this answer.

2. If \( f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x + 9 \), which statement is always true?

   a. \( f(x) < 0 \)  
   b. \( f(x) > 0 \)  
   c. If \( x < 0 \), then \( f(x) < 0 \).  
   d. If \( x > 0 \), then \( f(x) > 0 \).
3. The graph of \( y = f(x) \) is shown below.

Which point could be used to find \( f(2) \)?

a. \( A \)  

b. \( B \)  

c. \( C \)  

d. \( D \)

4. If \( f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2x + 3}}{6x - 5} \), then \( f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \)

a. 1  

b. \(-2\)  

c. \(-1\)  

d. \(-\frac{13}{3}\)

5. Given that \( f(x) = 2x + 1 \), find \( g(x) \) if \( g(x) = 2[f(x)]^2 - 1 \).
6. The value in dollars, \( v(x) \), of a certain car after \( x \) years is represented by the equation \( v(x) = 25,000(0.86)^x \). To the nearest dollar, how much more is the car worth after 2 years than after 3 years?
   a. 2589  
   b. 6510  
   c. 15,901  
   d. 18,490

7. The range of the function defined as \( y = 5^x \) is
   a. \( y < 0 \)  
   b. \( y > 0 \)  
   c. \( y \leq 0 \)  
   d. \( y \geq 0 \)

8. The range of the function \( f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 8 \) is all real numbers
   a. less than or equal to \(-9\)  
   b. greater than or equal to \(-9\)  
   c. less than or equal to \(-1\)  
   d. greater than or equal to \(-1\)

9. Let \( f \) be a function such that \( f(x) = 2x - 4 \) is defined on the domain \( 2 \leq x \leq 6 \). The range of this function is
   a. \( 0 \leq y \leq 8 \)  
   b. \( 0 \leq y < \infty \)  
   c. \( 2 \leq y \leq 6 \)  
   d. \( -\infty < y < \infty \)
F.IF.A.2: Use Function Notation

Answer Section

1. ANS:
   a) The difference in salary, in dollars, for an employee who works 52 hours versus one who works 38 hours, is $200.
   b) An employee must work 43 hours in order to earn $445. See work below.

Strategy: Part a: Use the piecewise function to first determine the salaries of 1) an employee who works 52 hours, and 2) an employee who works 38 hours. Then, find the difference of the two salaries.

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| $w(x) = \begin{cases} 
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10x, & 0 \leq x \leq 40 \\
15(x-40) + 400, & x > 40 
\end{cases}$ |
| $w(38) = \begin{cases} 
10(38), & 0 \leq x \leq 40 \\
\text{not applicable}, & x > 40 
\end{cases}$ | $w(52) = \begin{cases} 
\text{not applicable}, & 0 \leq x \leq 40 \\
15(52-40) + 400, & x > 40 
\end{cases}$ |
| $w(38) = 380$ | $w(52) = \begin{cases} 
15(12) + 400, & x > 40 \\
180 + 400, & x > 40 
\end{cases}$ |
|                 | $w(52) = 580$    |

The difference between the values of $w(38)$ and $w(52)$ is $200$.

Strategy: Part b: The employee must work more than 40 hours, and compensation for hours worked in excess of 40 hours is found in the second formula and is equal to $15 \text{ per hour}$. The compensation worked in excess of 40 hours is $445 - 400 = 45$, so

$$\frac{45 \text{ dollars}}{15 \text{ dollars/hour}} = 3 \text{ hours}$$

The employee must work a total of 43 hours. The employee receives $400 for the first 40 hours and $45 for the 3 hours in excess of 40 hours.

PTS: 4  REF: 061534ai  NAT: F.IF.A.2  TOP: Functional Notation
2. ANS: D
Strategy: Inspect the function rule in a graphing calculator, then eliminate wrong answers.

![Graphing Calculator Plot](Image)

Answer choice a can be eliminated because the table clearly shows $f(x)$ values greater than zero.
Answer choice b can be eliminated because the table clearly shows $f(x)$ values less than zero.
Answer choice c can be eliminated because if $x$ is greater than -27, then $f(x) > 0$.
Choose answer choice d because the graph and table clearly show that all values of $f(x)$ are positive when values of $x$ are positive.

PTS: 2 REF: 061417ai NAT: F.IF.A.2 TOP: Domain and Range

3. ANS: A
Strategy: Understand that the meaning of $f(2)$ is the value of $y$ when $x = 2$, then eliminate wrong answers.

Choose answer choice A because represents $f(2)$ with coordinates $(2,0)$. $f(2) = 0$.
Answer choice b is wrong because if represents $f(0)$. $f(0) = 2$
Answer choice c is wrong because if represents $f(-2)$. $f(-2) = 0$
Answer choice d is wrong because if represents $f(-1)$. $f(-1) = -2$

PTS: 2 REF: 061420ai NAT: F.IF.A.2 TOP: Functional Notation
4. ANS: C

Strategy: Substitute $\frac{1}{2}$ for x, and solve.

\[ f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2x + 3}}{6x - 5} \]

\[ f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 3}}{6\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 5} \]

\[ f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{-2} \]

\[ f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{2}{-2} \]

\[ f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -1 \]


5. ANS:

Step 1. Understand this as a composition of functions problem.
Step 2. Strategy: Substitute the expression for f(x) into the equation for g(x).
Step 3. Execution of Strategy.

\[ f(x) = 2x + 1 \text{ and } g(x) = 2[f(x)]^2 - 1 \]
\[ g(x) = 2(2x + 1)^2 - 1 \text{ (answer)} \]
\[ g(x) = 2(4x^2 + 4x + 1) - 1 \text{ (alternate answer)} \]
\[ g(x) = 8x^2 + 8x + 2 - 1 \text{ (alternate answer)} \]
\[ g(x) = 8x^2 + 8x + 1 \text{ (alternate answer)} \]
6. **ANS: A**
   
   **Strategy #1**
   
   Input $25,000(0.86)^2 - 25,000(0.86)^3$ into a graphing calculator and press enter.
   
   \[
   25,000(0.86)^2 - 25,000(0.86)^3 = 18490 - 15901.40 = 2588.60
   \]

   **Strategy #2:** Input the function rule in a graphing calculator and obtain the value of the car after 2 years and 3 years from the table of values. Then, compute the difference.

   **STEP 1:** Input the function rule and obtain data from the table of values.

   **STEP 2:** Compare the value of the car after 2 years and after 3 years.
   
   The car is worth $18,490 after 2 years.
   
   The car is worth $15,901 after 3 years.
   
   The difference is $18490 - 15901 = 2589$
   
   The value of $y$ approaches zero, but never reaches zero, as the value of $x$ decreases.

   **PTS:** 2  
   **REF:** 011508ai  
   **NAT:** F.IF.A.2  
   **TOP:** Evaluating Exponential Expressions

7. **ANS: B**

   **Strategy:** Input the function in a graphing calculator and inspect the graph and table views.

   The value of $y$ approaches zero, but never reaches zero, as the value of $x$ decreases.

   The the range of $y = 5^x$ is $y > 0$.

   **PTS:** 2  
   **REF:** 011619ai  
   **NAT:** F.IF.B.5  
   **TOP:** Domain and Range

   **KEY:** real domain, exponential
8. **ANS: B**  
**Strategy:** Input the function into a graphing calculator and inspect the range of y-values.  

![Graph and Table of Values](image)

The graph and the table of values show that all values of \( f(x) \) are greater than or equal to -9. Choice b) is the correct answer.

**PTS: 2**  
**REF: 061611ai**  
**NAT: F.IF.B.5**  
**TOP: Domain and Range**  
**KEY: real domain, quadratic**

9. **ANS: A**  
\[ f(2) = 0 \]  
\[ f(6) = 8 \]  

**Strategy:** Inspect the function rule in a graphing calculator over the domain \( 2 \leq x \leq 6 \), eliminate wrong answers.

Choose answer choice a because the table of values and the graph clearly show that \( f(2) = 0 \) and \( f(6) = 8 \), and all values of y between \( x = 2 \) and \( x = 6 \) are between 0 and 8.  
Eliminate answer choice b because infinity is clearly bigger than 8.  
Eliminate answer choice c because these are the domain of x, not the range of y.  
Eliminate answer choice d because negative infinity is clearly less than 0.

**PTS: 2**  
**REF: 081411ai**  
**NAT: F.IF.B.5**  
**TOP: Domain and Range**
F.IF.A.3: Define Sequences as Functions

FUNCTIONS
F.IF.A.3: Define Sequences as Recursive Functions

A. Understand the concept of a function and use function notation.
3. Recognize that sequences are functions, sometimes defined recursively, whose domain is a subset of the integers. For example, the Fibonacci sequence is defined recursively by \( f(0) = f(1) = 1 \), \( f(n+1) = f(n) + f(n-1) \) for \( n \geq 1 \).

Vocabulary

An explicit formula is one where you do not need to know the value of the term in front of the term that you are seeking. For example, if you want to know the 55th term in a series, an explicit formula could be used without knowing the value of the 54th term.

Example: The sequence 3, 11, 19, 27, ... begins with 3, and 8 is added each time to form the pattern. The sequence can be shown in a table as follows:

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Explicit formulas for the sequence 3, 11, 19, 27, ... can be written as:

\[ f(n) = 8n - 5 \] or \[ f(n) = 3 + 8(n - 1) \]

Using these explicit formulas, we can find the following values for any term, and we do not need to know the value of any other term, as shown below:

\[
\begin{align*}
  f(1) &= 8(1) - 5 = 3 \\
  f(2) &= 8(2) - 5 = 16 - 5 = 11 \\
  f(3) &= 8(3) - 5 = 24 - 5 = 19 \\
  f(4) &= 8(4) - 5 = 32 - 5 = 27 \\
  f(5) &= 8(5) - 5 = 40 - 5 = 35 \\
  f(10) &= 8(10) - 5 = 80 - 5 = 75 \\
  f(100) &= 8(100) - 5 = 800 - 5 = 795
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
  f(1) &= 3 + 8(1 - 1) = 3 + 0 = 3 \\
  f(2) &= 3 + 8(2 - 1) = 3 + 8 = 11 \\
  f(3) &= 3 + 8(3 - 1) = 3 + 16 = 19 \\
  f(4) &= 3 + 8(4 - 1) = 3 + 24 = 27 \\
  f(5) &= 3 + 8(5 - 1) = 3 + 32 = 35 \\
  f(10) &= 3 + 8(10 - 1) = 3 + 72 = 75 \\
  f(100) &= 3 + 8(100 - 1) = 3 + 792 = 795
\end{align*}
\]

Recursive formulas requires you to know the value of another term, usually the preceding term, to find the value of a specific term.

Example: Using the same sequence 3, 11, 19, 27, ... as above, a recursive formula for the sequence 3, 11, 19, 27, ... can be written as:

\[ f(n + 1) = f(n) + 8 \]

This recursive formula tells us that the value of any term in the sequence is equal to the value of the term before it plus 8. A recursive formula must usually be anchored to a specific term in the sequence (usually the first term), so the recursive formula for the sequence 3, 11, 19, 27, ... could be anchored with the statement \( f(1) = 3 \)

Using this recursive formula, we can reconstruct the sequence as follows:
\[ f(1) = 3 \]
\[ f(2) = f(1) + 8 = 3 + 8 = 11 \]
\[ f(3) = f(2) + 8 = 11 + 8 = 19 \]
\[ f(4) = f(3) + 8 = 19 + 8 = 27 \]
\[ f(5) = f(4) + 8 = 27 + 8 = 35 \]

Observe that the recursive formula \( f(n + 1) = f(n) + 8 \) includes two different values of the dependent variable, which in this example are \( f(n) \) and \( f(n + 1) \), and we can only reconstruct our original sequence using this \textit{recursive formula} if we know the term immediately preceding the term we are seeking.

### Two Kinds of Sequences

#### arithmetic sequence \((A2T)\) A set of numbers in which the common difference between each term and the preceding term is constant.

Example: In the \textbf{arithmetic sequence} 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, … the common difference between each term and the preceding term is 3. A table of values for this sequence is:

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An \textbf{explicit formula} for this sequence is \( f(n) = 3n - 1 \)

A \textbf{recursive formula} for this sequence is: \( f(n + 1) = f(n) + 3, \ f(1) = 2 \)

#### geometric sequence \((A2T)\) A set of terms in which each term is formed by multiplying the preceding term by a common nonzero constant.

Example: In the geometric sequence 2, 4, 8, 16, 32… the common ratio is 2. Each term is 2 times the preceding term. A table of values for this sequence is:

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<th>Term ((n))</th>
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An \textbf{explicit formula} for this sequence is \( f(n) = 2^n \)

A \textbf{recursive formula} for this sequence is: \( f(n + 1) = 2f(n), \ f(1) = 2 \)

### REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. If \( f(1) = 3 \) and \( f(n) = -2f(n - 1) + 1 \), then \( f(5) = \)
   a. \(-5\)  
   b. \(11\)  
   c. \(21\)  
   d. \(43\)
F.IF.A.3: Define Sequences as Functions
Answer Section

1. ANS: D
   Strategy: Use the recursive formula: \( f(1) = 3 \) and \( f(n) = -2f(n - 1) + 1 \) to find each term in the sequence.
   \[
   f(1) = 3 \\
   f(n) = -2f(n - 1) + 1 \\
   f(2) = -2(2 - 1) + 1 = -2(1) + 1 = -2 + 1 = -1 \\
   f(3) = -2f(3 - 1) + 1 = -2f(2) + 1 = -2(-5) + 1 = 10 + 1 = 11 \\
   f(4) = -2f(4 - 1) + 1 = -2f(3) + 1 = -2(11) + 1 = -22 + 1 = -21 \\
   f(5) = -2f(5 - 1) + 1 = -2f(4) + 1 = -2(-21) + 1 = 42 + 1 = 43
   \]

PTS: 2    REF: 081424ai    NAT: F.IF.A.3    TOP: Sequences
F.IF.B.5: Use Sensible Domains and Ranges

FUNCTIONS

F.IF.B.5: Use Sensible Domains and Ranges

B. Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context.
5. Relate the domain of a function to its graph and, where applicable, to the quantitative relationship it describes. For example, if the function h(n) gives the number of person-hours it takes to assemble n engines in a factory, then the positive integers would be an appropriate domain for the function y (linear, exponential and quadratic).

Vocabulary

The **domain** of x and the **range** of y.

The coordinate plane consists of two perpendicular number lines, which are commonly referred to as the x-axis and the y-axis. Each number line represents the **set of real numbers**.

The **set of real numbers**

- **Counting numbers** \{1,2,3,...\}
- **Whole numbers** \{0,1,2,3,...\}
- **Integers** are whole numbers and their opposites \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, ...\}.
- **Rational numbers** (all number that can be expressed as a ratio of two integers)
  - A ratio begins with the word ratio. A ratio is a comparison of two numbers using division.
  - All fractions are rational numbers.
  - All repeating or terminating decimals.
- **Irrational numbers** (all numbers that cannot be expressed as ratios of integers)
  - Never ending, never repeating decimals, such as \(\pi\), e, and the square roots of all prime numbers.

**Big Ideas**

A function maps an element of the **domain** onto one and only one element of the **range**.

Many functions make sense only when a subset of all the **real numbers** are used as inputs. This subset of the **real numbers** that makes sense is known as the **domain** of the function.

**Example:** If a vendor makes $2.00 profit on each sandwich sold, total profits might be modeled by the function \(P(s) = 2s\), where \(P(s)\) represents total profits and \(s\) represents the number of sandwiches sold. It would not make sense to use the entire set of real numbers as inputs for this function.
- It would not make sense to say that the vendor sold -3 sandwiches or to use any other negative numbers.
- It would not make sense to say the vendor sold \(\pi\), sandwiches, e sandwiches, or \(\sqrt{7}\) sandwiches.
- It would make sense to say that the vendor sold 0, 1, 2, or any whole number of sandwiches.

Thus, the **domain** of \(P(s) = 2s\) can be restricted to a subset of the Real Number system, which can be described as either the set of **whole numbers** or by listing the set \{0,1,2,3,...\}. The **range** of a function can also be limited to a well-defined subset of the Real Numbers on the y-axis.

**Domains** and **ranges** can be either **continuous** or **discrete**.
NOTE: The **window function on a graphing calculator** allows us to set specific **continuous** intervals for the domain and range of the graph of a function.

These screenshots show **inappropriate domain and range** settings for the first Regents Problem in this lesson.

These screenshots show **proper domain and range** settings for the first Regents Problem in this lesson.

### REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. The function $h(t) = -16t^2 + 144$ represents the height, $h(t)$, in feet, of an object from the ground at $t$ seconds after it is dropped. A realistic domain for this function is
   a. $-3 \leq t \leq 3$
   b. $0 \leq t \leq 3$
   c. $0 \leq h(t) \leq 144$
   d. all real numbers

2. Officials in a town use a function, $C$, to analyze traffic patterns. $C(n)$ represents the rate of traffic through an intersection where $n$ is the number of observed vehicles in a specified time interval. What would be the most appropriate domain for the function?
   a. $\{\ldots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots \}$
   b. $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$
   c. $\{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, 2, 2\frac{1}{2}\}$
   d. $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots \}$
3. A construction company uses the function $f(p)$, where $p$ is the number of people working on a project, to model the amount of money it spends to complete a project. A reasonable domain for this function would be

a. positive integers
b. positive real numbers
c. both positive and negative integers
d. both positive and negative real numbers
F.IF.B.5: Use Sensible Domains and Ranges

Answer Section

1. ANS: B
   Strategy: Input the function into a graphing calculator and examine it to determine a realistic range. First, transform \( h(t) = -16t^2 + 144 \) to \( Y = -16x^2 + 144 \) for input.

   The graph and table of values show that it takes 3 seconds for the object to reach the ground. Therefore, a realistic domain for this function is \( 0 \leq t \leq 3 \).

   \( t = 0 \) represents the time when the object is dropped.
   \( t = 3 \) represents the time when the object hits the ground.

   Answer choice \( b \) is correct.

   PTS: 2       REF: 081423ai       NAT: F.IF.B.5       TOP: Domain and Range

2. ANS: D
   Strategy: Examine each answer choice and eliminate wrong answers.

   Eliminate answer choices \( a \) and \( b \) because negative numbers of cars observed do not make sense.
   Eliminate answer choice \( c \) because fractional numbers of cars observed do not make sense.
   Choose answer choice \( d \) because it is the only choice that makes sense. The number of cars observed must be either zero or some counting number.

   PTS: 2       REF: 061402ai       NAT: F.IF.B.5       TOP: Domain and Range
3. ANS: A

Strategy: Eliminate wrong answers. The number of people must be counting numbers, since it makes no sense to have a half a person or a quarter person.

The positive integers are 1, 2, 3, 4, ..., which makes sense.

Positive real numbers should be eliminated because positive real numbers include fractions, and fractions make no sense for the number of workers.

Both positive and negative integers should be eliminated because it makes no sense to have negative numbers of workers.

Both positive and negative real numbers should also be eliminated because it makes no sense to have negative numbers of workers.

The correct choice is positive integers.

PTS: 2   REF: 011615ai   NAT: F.IF.B.5   TOP: Domain and Range
FUNCTIONS

F.IF.C.7: Root, Piecewise, Step, & Absolute Value Functions

C. Analyze functions using different representations.
7. Graph functions expressed symbolically and show key features of the graph, by hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases.
   b. Graph square root, cube root, and piecewise-defined functions, including step functions and absolute value functions.

NOTE: All of the functions in this lesson require special consideration for the domain of the independent variable (the x-axis).

ROOT FUNCTIONS

Root functions are associated with equations involving square roots, cube roots, or nth roots. The easiest way to graph a root function is to use the three views of a function that are associated with a graphing calculator.

STEP 1. Input the root function in the y-editor of the calculator. (Note: The use of rational exponents is recommended, i.e. \( \sqrt[2]{x} = x^{(1/2)} \), \( \sqrt[3]{x} = x^{(1/3)} \), etc.).

STEP 2. Look at the graph of the function.

STEP 3. Use the table of values to transfer coordinate pairs to graph paper.

Example: Graph the root function \( f(x) = \sqrt{x} + 1 \)

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<th>STEP 1</th>
<th>Input the function rule in the y-editor of your graphing calculator</th>
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<td>( Y_1 \equiv (x+1)^{(1/2)} )</td>
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<th>STEP 3</th>
<th>Select coordinate pairs from the table view to create your own graph.</th>
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 PIECEWISE FUNCTIONS

A piecewise function is a function that is defined by two or more sub functions, with each sub function applying to a certain interval on the x-axis. Each sub function may also be referred to as a piece of the overall piecewise function, hence the name piecewise.

Example. The following is a piecewise function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 1, & -3 \leq x < 3 \\ 4, & 3 \leq x \leq 7 \end{cases}$$

This example of a piecewise function has two “pieces,” or sub functions.

a. Over the interval $-3 \leq x < 1$, the sub function is $f(x) = 2x + 1$

b. Over the interval $1 \leq x \leq 7$, the sub function is $f(x) = 4$.

A table of values for this function might look like this, reflecting two pieces.

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Continuity

Piecewise functions are often discontinuous, which means that the graph will not appear as a single line. In the above table, the piecewise function is discontinuous when $x = 3$. This is because $x = 3$ is not included in the first piece of the piecewise function. Because piecewise functions are often discontinuous, care must be taken to use proper inequalities notation when graphing.

Using Line Segments to Define Pieces

If the circle at the beginning or end of a solution set (graph) is empty, that value is not included in the solution set. If the circle is filled in, that value is included in the solution set.

The number 1 is not included in this solution set:

The number 1 is included in this following solution set:
The graph of this piecewise function looks like this:

The graph of \( f(x) = \begin{cases} 
2x + 1, & -3 \leq x < 3 \\
4, & 3 \leq x \leq 7 
\end{cases} \) appears below:

![Graph of piecewise function](image)

**STEP FUNCTIONS**

A step function is typically a piecewise function with many pieces that resemble stair steps.

![Graph of step function](image)

Each step corresponds to a specific domain. The function rule for the graph above is:

\[
\begin{align*}
  f(x) &= \begin{cases} 
    1, & 5 < x \leq 7 \\
    2, & 7 < x \leq 9 \\
    3, & 9 < x \leq 11 \\
    4, & 11 < x \leq 13 \\
    5, & 13 < x \leq 15 
  \end{cases}
\end{align*}
\]
ABSOLUTE VALUE FUNCTIONS

Using a Graphing Calculator To Solve and Graph Absolute Value Functions:

Absolute value functions may be solved in a graphing calculator by moving all terms to one side of the inequality and reducing the other side to zero. The inequality is then entered into the graphing calculator’s \( Y = \) feature. Once input, the calculator’s \text{2nd TABLE} and \text{GRAPH} features may be accessed and manipulated using the \text{[2nd TBL SET]} and graph \text{[WINDOW]} features.

Example: \[ |x+1| - 3 > 6 \]

First, move everything to one side of the inequality, leaving the other side zero.

\[ |x+1| - 3 > 6 \]
\[ |x+1| - 9 > 0 \]
\[ or \quad 0 < |x+1| - 9 \]

Y= Input
Pay particular attention to setting the inequality sign on the far left of the input screen.

NOTE: The abs entry is found in the graphing calculator’s catalog.

Graph
You can see from the graph that the solution boundaries are \(-10 and +8\). Test \( x = 0 \) to confirm the answers \( x < 10 \ and \ x > 8 \), which are the parts of the graph that lie above the x-axis. Typically, you would graph only the x-axis on the Regents Math B Exam.

NOTE: The table of values in the graphing calculator provides an excellent opportunity to reinforce the idea that absolute values cannot have negative values. Any value of \( x \) that results in a negative value of \( y \) cannot be part of the solution set of an absolute value inequality.

Table of Values

\[
\begin{array}{c|c}
|x| & \text{Table of Values} \\
\hline
3 & -5 \\
4 & -4 \\
5 & -3 \\
6 & -2 \\
7 & 0 \\
\hline
|x|=4 \\
\end{array}
\]

NOTE: The table of values in the graphing calculator provides an excellent opportunity to reinforce the idea that absolute values cannot have negative values.
1. Morgan can start wrestling at age 5 in Division 1. He remains in that division until his next odd birthday when he is required to move up to the next division level. Which graph correctly represents this information?

   a. ![Graph A]
   b. ![Graph B]
   c. ![Graph C]
   d. ![Graph D]

2. A function is graphed on the set of axes below.

   ![Graph](image)

Which function is related to the graph?

a. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 1 \\ x - 2, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

b. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

c. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 1 \\ 2x - 7, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

d. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{9}{2}, & x > 1 \end{cases}$
3. Graph the following function on the set of axes below.

\[ f(x) = \begin{cases} 
|x|, & -3 \leq x < 1 \\
4, & 1 \leq x \leq 8 
\end{cases} \]

4. Draw the graph of \( y = \sqrt{x} - 1 \) on the set of axes below.
F.IF.C.7: Graph Root, Piecewise, Step, & Absolute Value Functions

Answer Section

1. ANS: A
   Strategy: Focus on whether the line segments should begin and end with closed or open circles. A closed circle is included. An open circle is not included.
   
   PTS: 2    REF: 061507ai    NAT: F.IF.C.7    TOP: Graphing Step Functions
   KEY: bimodalgraph

2. ANS: B
   Strategy: Since $f(x) = x^2, x < 1$ is included in every answer choice, concentrate on the linear functions for $x > 1$.

   The linear equation has a slope of $\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{1}{2}$. The only linear function that has a slope of $\frac{1}{2}$ is $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}$, which is answer choice b.

   PTS: 2    REF: 081422ai    NAT: F.IF.C.7    TOP: Graphing Piecewise-Defined Functions
3. ANS:

Strategy: Use a graphing calculator and graph the function in sections, paying careful attention to open and closed circles at the end of each function segment.

STEP 1. Graph \( f(x) = |x| \) over the interval \(-3 \leq x < 1\). Use a closed dot for \((-3, 3)\) and an open dot for \((1,1)\). Use data from the table of values to plot the interval \(-3 \leq x < 1\).

STEP 2: Graph \( f(x) = 4 \) over the interval \(1 \leq x \leq 8\). Use a closed dot for \((1,4)\) and a closed dot for \((8,4)\). Use data from the table of values to plot the interval \(1 \leq x \leq 8\).

Do not connect the two graph segments.

PTS: 2  
REF: 011530ai  
NAT: F.IF.C.7  
TOP: Graphing Piecewise-Defined Functions
4. ANS:

Strategy: Input the function in a graphing calculator, then use the graph and table views to construct the graph on paper.

STEP 1: Use exponential notation to input the function into the graphing calculator, where \(\sqrt{x - 1} = x^{(1/2)} - 1\). Then use the table and graph views to reproduce the graph on paper.

Note: Do not plot coordinates with errors. Focus on plotting coordinates with integer values and estimate the graph between the points with integer values when drawing the graph.

STEP 2: Limit the domain of the function to \(-6 \leq x \leq 10\). Used closed dots to show the ends of the function at coordinates (-6, -2) and for (10, 2).

PTS: 2          REF: 061425ai      NAT: F.IF.C.7      TOP: Graphing Root Functions
F.IF.C.9: Four Views of a Function

FUNCTIONS

F.IF.C.9: Four Views of a Function

A. Analyze functions using different representations.

9. Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions). For example, given a graph of one quadratic function and an algebraic expression for another, say which has the larger maximum.

BIG IDEAS:

A function can be represented mathematically through four inter-related views. These are:

#1 a function rule (equation)
#2 a table of values
#3 a graph.
#4 context (words)

The TI-83+ graphing calculator allows you to input the function rule and access the graph and table of values, as shown below:

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<th>Function Rule View</th>
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<td>1 = x² + 2x - 4</td>
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| ![Graph](image)

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Definition of a Function: a function takes the input value of an independent variable and pairs it with one and only one output value of a dependent variable.

Function: A function is a relation that assigns exactly one value of the dependent variable to each value of the independent variable. A function is always a relation.

Example: y=2x

Function Rules show the relationship between dependent and independent variables in the form of an equation with two variables.

§ The independent variable is the input of the function and is typically denoted by the x-variable.

§ The dependent variable is the output of the function and is typically denoted by the y-variable.

When inputting function rules in a TI 83+ graphing calculator, the y-value (dependent variable) must be isolated as the left expression of the equation.

Tables of Values show the relationship between dependent and independent variables in the form of a table with columns and rows:

§ The independent variable is the input of the function and is typically shown in the left column of a vertical table or the top row of a horizontal table.

§ The dependent variable is the output of the function and is typically shown in the right column of a vertical table or the bottom row of a horizontal table.
**Graphs** show the relationship between dependent and independent variables in the form of line or curve on a coordinate plane:

§ The value of *independent* variable is the input of the function and is typically shown on the *x-axis* (horizontal axis) of the coordinate plane.

§ The value of the *dependent* variable is the output of the function and is typically shown on the *y-axis* (vertical axis) of the coordinate plane.

**REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD**

1. Given the following quadratic functions:
   \[ g(x) = -x^2 - x + 6 \]
   and
   
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Which statement about these functions is true?

a. Over the interval \(-1 \leq x \leq 1\), the average rate of change for \(n(x)\) is less than that for \(g(x)\).

b. The \(y\)-intercept of \(g(x)\) is greater than the \(y\)-intercept for \(n(x)\).

c. The function \(g(x)\) has a greater maximum value than \(n(x)\).

d. The sum of the roots of \(n(x) = 0\) is greater than the sum of the roots of \(g(x) = 0\).

2. Which quadratic function has the largest maximum?

   a. \(h(x) = (3 - x)(2 + x)\)
   
   b. \[\begin{array}{c|c}
   x & f(x) \\
   \hline
   -1 & -3 \\
   0 & 5 \\
   1 & 9 \\
   2 & 9 \\
   3 & 5 \\
   4 & -3
   \end{array}\]
   
   c. \(k(x) = -5x^2 - 12x + 4\)

   d.
3. Let $f$ be the function represented by the graph below.

Let $g$ be a function such that $g(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^2 + 4x + 3$. Determine which function has the larger maximum value. Justify your answer.

4. The graph representing a function is shown below.

Which function has a minimum that is less than the one shown in the graph?

a. $y = x^2 - 6x + 7$

b. $y = |x + 3| - 6$

c. $y = x^2 - 2x - 10$

d. $y = |x - 8| + 2$
F.IF.C.9: Four Views of a Function
Answer Section

1. ANS: D
   Strategy: Each answer choice must be evaluated using a different strategy.
   a. Use the slope formula to find the rate of change for
   \[ m_{g(x)} = \frac{[g(1)] - [g(-1)]}{[1] - [-1]} = \frac{4 - 6}{2} = -2 = -1 \]
   \[ m_{n(x)} = \frac{[n(1)] - [n(-1)]}{[1] - [-1]} = \frac{9 - 5}{2} = 4 = 2 \]
   Statement a is false. The average rate of change for \( n(x) \) is more than that for \( g(x) \).

   b. Compare the y-intercepts for both functions. The y-intercepts occur when \( x = 0 \).
      The y-intercept for \( g(x) = 6 \). \( g(0) = -0^2 - 0 + 6 = 6 \)
      The y-intercept for \( n(x) = 8 \) from the table.
      Statement b is false. The y-intercept of \( g(x) \) is less than the y-intercept for \( n(x) \).

   c. Compare the maxima of both functions.
      The maxima of \( g(x) = -x^2 - x + 6 \) is 6. This can be found manually or with a graphing calculator.
      
      ![](image1)
      The maxima of \( n(x) = 9 \), which can be seen in the table.
      Statement c is false. The function \( g(x) \) has a smaller maximum value than \( n(x) \).

   d. Compare the sum of the roots for both functions.
      The sum of the roots for \( g(x) = -3 + 2 = -1 \) from a graphing calculator.
      
      ![](image2)
      The sum of the roots for \( n(x) = -2 + 4 = 2 \) from the table.
      Statement d is true. The sum of the roots of \( n(x) = 0 \) is greater than the sum of the roots of \( g(x) = 0 \).

PTS: 2 REF: 081521ai NAT: F.IF.C.9 TOP: Graphing Quadratic Functions
2. **ANS: C**  
Strategy: Each answer choice needs to be evaluated for the largest maximum using a different strategy.

a) Input \( h(x) = (3 - x)(2 + x) \) in a graphing calculator and find the maximum.

The maximum for answer choice \( a \) is a little more than 6.

b) The table shows that the maximum is a little more than 9.

c) Input \( k(x) = -5x^2 - 12x + 4 \) in a graphing calculator and find the maximum.

The table of values shows that the maximum is 11 or more.

d) The graph shows that the maximum is a little more than 4.

Answer choice \( c \) is the best choice.

**PTS: 2**  
**REF: 061514ai**  
**NAT: F.IF.C.9**  
**TOP: Graphing Quadratic Functions**
3. **ANS:**
   Function \( g \) has the larger maximum value. The maximum of function \( g \) is 11. The maximum of function \( f \) is 6.

   **Strategy:** Determine the maximum for \( f \) from the graph. Determine the maximum for \( g \) by inputting the function rule in a graphing calculator and inspecting the graph.

   ![Graph of functions](image)

   The table of values shows the maximum for \( g \) is 11.

   Another way of finding the maximum for \( g \) is to use the axis of symmetry formula and the function rule, as follows:

   \[
   x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-4}{2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = -4 \cdot -1 = 4
   \]

   \[
   y = \frac{1}{2} (4)^2 + 4(4) + 3 = -8 + 16 + 3 = 11
   \]

   **PTS:** 2  **REF:** 081429ai  **NAT:** F.IF.C.9  **TOP:** Graphing Quadratic Functions

4. **ANS:** C

   **Strategy:** The graph shows a parabola with a vertex at (3, -7), so the minima is at -7. Identify the lowest y-value of each function rule. Then, select the function rule that has a lowest y value that is less than -7.

   ![Graph of functions](image)

   The graph view of the four functions shows that the function \( y = x^2 - 2x - 10 \) has a y-value less than -7.

   **PTS:** 2  **REF:** 011622ai  **NAT:** F.IF.C.9  **TOP:** Comparing Functions
F.L.E.A.1: Model Families of Functions

FUNCTIONS

A. Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.
1. Distinguish between situations that can be modeled with linear functions and with exponential functions.
   a. Prove that linear functions grow by equal differences over equal intervals, and that exponential functions grow by equal factors over equal intervals.
   b. Recognize situations in which one quantity changes at a constant rate per unit interval relative to another.
   c. Recognize situations in which a quantity grows or decays by a constant percent rate per unit interval relative to another.

Families of Functions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
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<th>Equation</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Linear functions</td>
<td>$y = mx + b$</td>
<td>The graph is a straight line, the function is in the family of <strong>linear functions</strong>.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Quadratic functions</td>
<td>$y = x^2$</td>
<td>The graph is a parabola, the function is in the family of <strong>quadratic functions</strong>. All quadratic functions have an exponent of 2 or can be factored into a single factor with an exponent of 2. Examples: $x^2 + 6x + 9 = (x + 3)^2$, $x^{16} + 6x^8 + 9 = \left(x^8 + 3\right)^2$.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Exponential functions</td>
<td>$y = a^x$</td>
<td>The graph is a curve that approached a horizontal limit on one end and gets steeper on the other end, the function is in the family of <strong>exponential functions</strong>. An exponential function is a function that contains a variable for an exponent. Example: $y = 2^x$. Exponential growth and decay can be modeled using the general formula $A = P(1 + r)^t$.</td>
</tr>
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</table>

NOTE: All functions in the form of $y = ax^n$, where $a \neq 0$ and $n > 1$ and $n$ is an odd number, take the form of parabolas. The larger the value of $n$, the wider the flat part at the bottom/top. Note: All functions in the form of $y = ax^n$, where $a \neq 0$ and $n > 1$ and $n$ is an even number, take the form of hyperbolas. These are not quadratic functions.
1. The function, \( t(x) \), is shown in the table below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>( x )</th>
<th>( t(x) )</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>-3</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-1</td>
<td>7.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>2.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Determine whether \( t(x) \) is linear or exponential. Explain your answer.

2. Which situation could be modeled by using a linear function?
   a. a bank account balance that grows at a rate of 5% per year, compounded annually
   b. a population of bacteria that doubles every 4.5 hours
   c. the cost of cell phone service that charges a base amount plus 20 cents per minute
   d. the concentration of medicine in a person’s body that decays by a factor of one-third every hour

3. Grisham is considering the three situations below.
   I. For the first 28 days, a sunflower grows at a rate of 3.5 cm per day.
   II. The value of a car depreciates at a rate of 15% per year after it is purchased.
   III. The amount of bacteria in a culture triples every two days during an experiment.

Which of the statements describes a situation with an equal difference over an equal interval?
   a. I, only
   b. II, only
   c. I and III
   d. II and III
4. The table below shows the average yearly balance in a savings account where interest is compounded annually. No money is deposited or withdrawn after the initial amount is deposited.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Balance, in Dollars</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>380.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>562.49</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>832.63</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30</td>
<td>1232.49</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>40</td>
<td>1824.39</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50</td>
<td>2700.54</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Which type of function best models the given data?

a. linear function with a negative rate of change  
   b. linear function with a positive rate of change  
   c. exponential decay function  
   d. exponential growth function

5. The tables below show the values of four different functions for given values of $x$.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>$x$</th>
<th>$f(x)$</th>
<th>$x$</th>
<th>$g(x)$</th>
<th>$x$</th>
<th>$h(x)$</th>
<th>$x$</th>
<th>$k(x)$</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>-1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>-2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Which table represents a linear function?

a. $f(x)$  
   b. $g(x)$  
   c. $h(x)$  
   d. $k(x)$
6. Rachel and Marc were given the information shown below about the bacteria growing in a Petri dish in their biology class.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of Hours, $x$</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>5</th>
<th>6</th>
<th>7</th>
<th>8</th>
<th>9</th>
<th>10</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Number of Bacteria, $B(x)$</td>
<td>220</td>
<td>280</td>
<td>350</td>
<td>440</td>
<td>550</td>
<td>690</td>
<td>860</td>
<td>1070</td>
<td>1340</td>
<td>1680</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Rachel wants to model this information with a linear function. Marc wants to use an exponential function. Which model is the better choice? Explain why you chose this model.
F.LE.A.1: Model Families of Functions
Answer Section

1. ANS:

Strategy #1. Calculate the change in x and the change in y for each ordered pair in the table. If the ratio of \( \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \) is constant, the function is linear.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Change in x</th>
<th>x</th>
<th>t(x)</th>
<th>Change in y</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>+2&lt;</td>
<td>-3</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>&gt;-2.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>+2&lt;</td>
<td>-1</td>
<td>7.5</td>
<td>&gt;-2.5</td>
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<td>-1</td>
<td>7.5</td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This table shows a linear function, because the ratio of \( \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \) can always be expressed as \( -\frac{2.5}{2} \).

Strategy #2. Input values from the table into the stats editor of a graphing calculator, turn stats plot on, then use zoom stat to inspect the scatterplot.

The scatterplot shows a linear relationship.

PTS: 2  REF: 011625ai  NAT: F.LE.A.1  TOP: Families of Functions

2. ANS: C

Strategy: Eliminate wrong answers.

a) Eliminate answer choice a because it describes exponential growth of money in a bank account.

b) Eliminate answer choice b because it describes exponential growth of bacteria.

c) Choose answer choice c because it can be modeled using the slope intercept formula as follows:

\[
y = mx + b
\]

cost of cell phone service = $0.20 \times \text{number of minutes} + \text{base cost}

d) Eliminate answer choice d because it describes exponential decay of medicine in the body.

PTS: 2  REF: 081412ai  NAT: F.LE.A.1  TOP: Families of Functions
3. **ANS: A**

Interpreting the Question: Equal differences over equal intervals suggests a constant rate of change, which would be a linear relationship.

Strategy: Model each situation with a function rule, then select the linear functions.

I. For the first 28 days, a sunflower grows at a rate of 3.5 cm per day.

   This can be modeled with the **linear** function \( h = 3.5d \), where \( h \) represents the height of the sunflower and \( d \) represents the number of days. Since this function is linear, it represents a situation with an equal difference over an equal interval.

II. The value of a car depreciates at a rate of 15% per year after it is purchased.

   This can be modeled with the **exponential decay** function \( V = P(1 - .15)^t \), where \( V \) represents the value of the car, \( P \) represents its price when purchased, \(-.15\) represents the annual depreciation rate, and \( t \) represents the number of years after purchase. This is an exponential decay function, so it does not represent a situation with an equal difference over an equal interval.

III. The amount of bacteria in a culture triples every two days during an experiment.

   This can be modeled with the **exponential growth** function \( A = B(3)^{\frac{d}{2}} \), where \( A \) represents the amount of bacteria, \( B \) represents starting amount of bacteria, 3 represents the growth rate, and \( \frac{d}{2} \) represents the number of growth cycles. This is an exponential growth function, so it does not represent a situation with an equal difference over an equal interval.

The only choice that represents a situation with an equal difference over an equal interval is the first situation.

**PTS: 2**  
**REF: 011623ai**  
**NAT: F.LE.A.1**  
**TOP: Families of Functions**

4. **ANS: D**

Strategy: Input the table into the stats editor of a graphing calculator, then plot the points and examine the shape of the scatterplot.

The data in this table creates a scatterplot that appears to model an exponential growth function.

**DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes.** Savings accounts are excellent exemplars of exponential growth.

**PTS: 2**  
**REF: 061406ai**  
**NAT: F.LE.A.1**  
**TOP: Modeling Exponential Equations**
5. **ANS: A**

Step 1. Notice that in each of the tables, the values of the independent variable (x) are 1, 2, 3, and 4, while the dependent variables are different. The question asks which table represents a linear function and, by definition, a linear function must have a constant rate of change.

Step 2. Use the slope formula and data from each table to determine which table represents a constant rate of change.

Step 3. Execute the strategy.

\[ f(x) \text{ rate of change} = \frac{f(x)_2 - f(x)_1}{x_2 - x_1} \]

Every time x increases by 1, f(x) increases by 7. This is a constant rate of change, so f(x) is a linear function.

\[ g(x) \text{ rate of change} = \frac{g(x)_2 - g(x)_1}{x_2 - x_1} \]

Every time x increases by 1, g(x) increases by a different amount. This is not a constant rate of change, so g(x) is not a linear function.

\[ h(x) \text{ rate of change} = \frac{h(x)_2 - h(x)_1}{x_2 - x_1} \]

Every time x increases by 1, h(x) increases by a different amount. This is not a constant rate of change, so h(x) is not a linear function.

\[ k(x) \text{ rate of change} = \frac{k(x)_2 - k(x)_1}{x_2 - x_1} \]

Every time x increases by 1, k(x) increases by a different amount. This is not a constant rate of change, so k(x) is not a linear function.

Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. Only one table shows a constant rate of change.

PTS: 2  
REF: 061606ai  
NAT: F.LE.A.1  
TOP: Families of Functions
6. **ANS:**
Exponential, because the function does not grow at a constant rate.

**Strategy 1:**
Compare the rates of change for different pairs of data using the slope formula.

\[
\text{Rate of change between } (1, 220) \text{ and } (5, 550): \quad m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{550 - 220}{5 - 1} = \frac{330}{4} = 82.5
\]

\[
\text{Rate of change between } (6, 690) \text{ and } (10, 1680): \quad m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{1680 - 690}{10 - 6} = \frac{990}{4} = 247.5
\]

**Strategy 2:** Use stat plots in a graphing calculator to create a scatterplot view of the multivariate data.

The graph view of the data clearly shows that the data is not linear.

PTS: 2 REF: 081527ai NAT: S.ID.B.6a
TOP: Comparing Linear and Exponential Functions
F.L.E.A.2: Construct a Function Rule from Other Views of a Function

FUNCTIONS

F.L.E.A.2: Construct a Function Rule from Other Views of a Function

A. Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.

2. Construct linear and exponential functions, including arithmetic and geometric sequences, given a graph, a description of a relationship, or two input-output pairs (include reading these from a table).

BIG IDEAS:

A function can be represented mathematically through four inter-related views. These are:

1. a function rule (equation)
2. a table of values
3. a graph.
4. words

The TI-83+ graphing calculator allows you to input the function rule and access the graph and table of values, as shown below:

Students must be able to move from one view of a function to another. The problems in this set can generally be better understood by using different views of functions. For example, it is easier for some students to understand the first problem if the problem is modeled using a table of values.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. The diagrams below represent the first three terms of a sequence.

Assuming the pattern continues, which formula determines \( a_n \), the number of shaded squares in the \( n \)th term?

- a. \( a_n = 4n + 12 \)
- b. \( a_n = 4n + 8 \)
- c. \( a_n = 4n + 4 \)
- d. \( a_n = 4n + 2 \)
2. The third term in an arithmetic sequence is 10 and the fifth term is 26. If the first term is \( a_1 \), which is an equation for the \( n \)th term of this sequence?
   a. \( a_n = 8n + 10 \)  
   b. \( a_n = 8n - 14 \)  
   c. \( a_n = 16n + 10 \)  
   d. \( a_n = 16n - 38 \)

3. The table below represents the function \( F \).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>( x )</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>6</th>
<th>7</th>
<th>8</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>( F(x) )</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>65</td>
<td>129</td>
<td>257</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The equation that represents this function is
   a. \( F(x) = 3^x \)  
   b. \( F(x) = 3x \)  
   c. \( F(x) = 2^x + 1 \)  
   d. \( F(x) = 2x + 3 \)

4. A laboratory technician studied the population growth of a colony of bacteria. He recorded the number of bacteria every other day, as shown in the partial table below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>( t ) (time, in days)</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>4</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>( f(t) ) (bacteria)</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>15,625</td>
<td>9,765,625</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Which function would accurately model the technician's data?
   a. \( f(t) = 25^t \)  
   b. \( f(t) = 25^{t+1} \)  
   c. \( f(t) = 25t \)  
   d. \( f(t) = 25(t + 1) \)
5. Which function is shown in the table below?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>x</th>
<th>f(x)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>-2</td>
<td>1/9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-1</td>
<td>1/3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>27</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

a. \( f(x) = 3x \)  
b. \( f(x) = x + 3 \)  
c. \( f(x) = -x^3 \)  
d. \( f(x) = 3^x \)

6. Which recursively defined function represents the sequence 3, 7, 15, 31, \ldots?

a. \( f(1) = 3, \ f(n + 1) = 2^{f(n)} + 3 \)  
b. \( f(1) = 3, \ f(n + 1) = 2^{f(n)} - 1 \)  
c. \( f(1) = 3, \ f(n + 1) = 2f(n) + 1 \)  
d. \( f(1) = 3, \ f(n + 1) = 3f(n) - 2 \)
7. A pattern of blocks is shown below.

If the pattern of blocks continues, which formula(s) could be used to determine the number of blocks in the \( n \)th term?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>I</th>
<th>II</th>
<th>III</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>( a_n = n + 4 )</td>
<td>( a_1 = \frac{2}{a_n} - \frac{1}{a_n} + 4 )</td>
<td>( a_n = 4n - 2 )</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

a. I and II  
b. I and III  
c. II and III  
d. III, only

8. Which recursively defined function has a first term equal to 10 and a common difference of 4?

a. \( f(1) = 10 \)
   \( f(x) = f(x - 1) + 4 \)

b. \( f(1) = 4 \)
   \( f(x) = f(x - 1) + 10 \)

c. \( f(1) = 10 \)
   \( f(x) = 4f(x - 1) \)

d. \( f(1) = 4 \)
   \( f(x) = 10f(x - 1) \)
F.L.E.A.2: Construct a Function Rule from Other Views of a Function

Answer Section

1. ANS: B
Strategy: Examine the pattern, then test each formula and eliminate wrong choices.

Term 1 has 12 shaded squares.
Term 2 has 16 shaded squares.
Term 3 has 20 shaded squares.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Choice</th>
<th>Equation</th>
<th>Term 1 = 12</th>
<th>Term 2 = 16</th>
<th>Term 3 = 20</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>a</td>
<td>$a_n = 4n + 12$</td>
<td>= 16 (eliminate)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b</td>
<td>$a_n = 4n + 8$</td>
<td>= 12 (correct)</td>
<td>= 16 (correct)</td>
<td>= 20 (correct)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c</td>
<td>$a_n = 4n + 4$</td>
<td>= 8 (eliminate)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d</td>
<td>$a_n = 4n + 2$</td>
<td>= 6 (eliminate)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

PTS: 2  REF: 061424ai  NAT: F.L.E.A.2  TOP: Sequences

2. ANS: B
Strategy: Build the sequence in a table, then test each equation choice and eliminate wrong answers.

$a_1$  $a_2$  $a_3$  $a_4$  $a_5$
10  26  

The $a_4$ term must be half way between 10 and 26, so it must be 18.
The common difference is 8, so we can fill in the rest of the table as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>$a_1$</th>
<th>$a_2$</th>
<th>$a_3$</th>
<th>$a_4$</th>
<th>$a_5$</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>-6</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>26</td>
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The first term in the sequence is -6.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Choice</th>
<th>Equation</th>
<th>Term $a_1$ = -6</th>
<th>Term $a_3$ = 10</th>
<th>Term $a_5$ = 26</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>a</td>
<td>$a_n = 8n + 10$</td>
<td>= 18 (eliminate)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b</td>
<td>$a_n = 8n - 14$</td>
<td>= -6 (correct)</td>
<td>= 10 (correct)</td>
<td>= 26 (correct)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c</td>
<td>$a_n = 16n + 10$</td>
<td>= 26 (eliminate)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d</td>
<td>$a_n = 16n - 38$</td>
<td>= -12 (eliminate)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
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PTS: 2  REF: 081416ai  NAT: F.L.E.A.2  TOP: Sequences

3. ANS: C
Strategy: Test each function to see if it fits the table:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Choice</th>
<th>Equation</th>
<th>$(3,9)$</th>
<th>$(6,65)$</th>
<th>$(8,257)$</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>a</td>
<td>$F(x) = 3^x$</td>
<td>$F(3) = 3^3 = 27$</td>
<td>(eliminate)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b</td>
<td>$F(x) = 3x$</td>
<td>$F(3) = 3(3) = 9$</td>
<td>(correct)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c</td>
<td>$F(x) = 2^x + 1$</td>
<td>$F(3) = 2^3 + 1 = 9$</td>
<td>(correct)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d</td>
<td>$F(x) = 2x + 3$</td>
<td>$F(3) = 2(3) + 3 = 9$</td>
<td>(correct)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

PTS: 2  REF: 061415ai  NAT: F.L.E.A.2  TOP: Modeling Exponential Equations

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4. ANS: B
Strategy: Input all four functions into a graphing calculator and compare the table of values.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>X</th>
<th>Y1</th>
<th>Y2</th>
<th>Y3</th>
<th>Y4</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>625</td>
<td>125</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>625</td>
<td>15625</td>
<td>3125</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>625</td>
<td>15625</td>
<td>390625</td>
<td>78125</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>125</td>
<td>3125</td>
<td>62500</td>
<td>125000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Answer choice b produces a table of values that agrees with the table of values in the problem.

PTS: 2    REF: 061513ai    NAT: F.LE.A.2    TOP: Modeling Linear and Exponential Equations

5. ANS: D
Strategy: Put the functions in a graphing calculator and inspect the table view. The correct answer is $f(x) = 3^x$.

PTS: 2    REF: 011616ai    NAT: F.LE.A.2    TOP: Families of Functions

6. ANS: C
Each choice has a first term equal to 3. Each additional term is twice its preceding term plus 1.
Strategy: Eliminate wrong answers and check.
All choices have show the first term equals three: $f(1) = 3$.
Eliminate $f(1) = 3$, $f(n + 1) = 2^{f(n)} + 3$ and $f(n + 1) = 2^{f(n)} - 1$ because they are exponential. Eliminate $f(1) = 3$, $f(n + 1) = 3f(n) - 2$ because each term is not three times its preceding term minus two. Check $f(1) = 3$, $f(n + 1) = 2f(n) + 1$ as follows:

$$f(1) = 3, \quad f(n + 1) = 2f(n) + 1$$

$$f(2) = 2(3) + 1 = 7$$
$$f(3) = 2(7) + 1 = 15$$
$$f(4) = 2(15) + 1 = 31$$

$f(1) = 3$, $f(n + 1) = 2f(n) + 1$ produces the sequence 3, 7, 15, 31,.....

PTS: 2    REF: 011618ai    NAT: F..IF.A.3    TOP: Sequences
7. ANS: C
Strategy: Examine the pattern, then test each formula and eliminate wrong choices.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>n</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>a_n</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Term 1 has 2 squares.
Term 2 has 6 squares.
Term 3 has 10 squares.
Term 4 has 14 squares

Formula I

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>an</th>
<th>Equation</th>
<th>Term 1 = 2</th>
<th>Term 2 = 6</th>
<th>Term 3 = 10</th>
<th>Term 4 = 14</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>a_n</td>
<td>n + 4</td>
<td>a_1 = 1 + 4</td>
<td>a_1 = 5</td>
<td>This is wrong, so eliminate choices a and b.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Formula II

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>a_1</th>
<th>a_n = a_n-1 + 4</th>
<th>a_2 = a_1 + 4</th>
<th>a_2 = 2 + 4</th>
<th>a_2 = 6</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>a_n</td>
<td>correct</td>
<td>correct</td>
<td>correct</td>
<td>correct</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Formula III

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>a_n</th>
<th>a_1 = 2</th>
<th>a_1 = 2</th>
<th>a_1 = 2</th>
<th>a_1 = 2</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>a_n</td>
<td>4n - 2</td>
<td>4(1) - 2</td>
<td>4 - 2</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a_1</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a_1</td>
<td>correct</td>
<td>correct</td>
<td>correct</td>
<td>correct</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Choose answer choice c because Formulas II and III are both correct.

PTS: 2 REF: 061522ai NAT: F.BF.A.1 TOP: Sequences

8. ANS: A
Strategy: Eliminate wrong answers.

Choices b and d have first terms equal to 4, but the problem states that the first term is equal to 10. Therefore, eliminate choices b and d.

A common difference of 4 requires the addition or subtraction of 4 to find the next term in the sequence. Eliminate choice c because choice c multiplies the preceding term by 4.

Choice a is correct because the first term is 10 and 4 is added to each preceding term.

PTS: 2 REF: 081514ai NAT: F.IF.A.3 TOP: Sequences
F.L.E.A.3: Compare Families of Functions

FUNCTIONS

F.L.E.A.3: Compare Families of Functions

A. Linear, Quadratic, & Exponential Models

Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.

3. Observe using graphs and tables that a quantity increasing exponentially eventually exceeds a quantity increasing linearly, quadratically, or (more generally) as a polynomial function.

Big Idea

A quantity increasing *exponentially* will eventually exceed a quantity increasing *linearly* or *quadratically*. In other words, given a big enough values of $x$, the exponential growth of $f(x)$ will always be greater than the linear or quadratic growth of $f(x)$.

Use a graphing calculator and different views of functions to compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Linear Functions</th>
<th>Quadratic Functions</th>
<th>Absolute Value Functions</th>
<th>Exponential Functions</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>…look like straight lines that are not vertical.</td>
<td>…look like parabolas that open up or down.</td>
<td>…look like v-shapes.</td>
<td>…look like one-sided curves.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The rate of change is a constant.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>The rate of change is exponential.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. If $f(x) = 3^x$ and $g(x) = 2x + 5$, at which value of $x$ is $f(x) < g(x)$?
   a. $-1$
   b. $2$
   c. $-3$
   d. $4$
2. Alicia has invented a new app for smart phones that two companies are interested in purchasing for a 2-year contract. Company A is offering her $10,000 for the first month and will increase the amount each month by $5000. Company B is offering $500 for the first month and will double their payment each month from the previous month. Monthly payments are made at the end of each month. For which monthly payment will company B’s payment first exceed company A’s payment?
   a. 6  
   b. 7  
   c. 8  
   d. 9

3. What is the largest integer, x, for which the value of \( f(x) = 5x^4 + 30x^2 + 9 \) will be greater than the value of \( g(x) = 3^x \)?
   a. 7  
   b. 8  
   c. 9  
   d. 10

4. As x increases beyond 25, which function will have the largest value?
   a. \( f(x) = 1.5^x \)  
   b. \( g(x) = 1.5x + 3 \)  
   c. \( h(x) = 1.5x^2 \)  
   d. \( k(x) = 1.5x^3 + 1.5x^2 \)
5. Graph \( f(x) = x^2 \) and \( g(x) = 2^x \) for \( x \geq 0 \) on the set of axes below.

State which function, \( f(x) \) or \( g(x) \), has a greater value when \( x = 20 \). Justify your reasoning.
F.LE.A.3: Compare Families of Functions

Answer Section

1. ANS: A
   Strategy: Input both functions in a graphing calculator and compares the values of $y$ for various values of $x$.

   ![Graphing Calculator Image]

   The table of values shows:
   - When $x = -1$, $f(x) < g(x)$
   - When $x = 2$, $f(x) = g(x)$
   - When $x = -3$, $f(x) > g(x)$
   - When $x = 4$, $f(x) > g(x)$

   PTS: 2  REF: 061515ai  NAT: F.LE.A.3  TOP: Families of Functions

2. ANS: C
   Strategy: Build a table of values for the integer values of the domain $6 \leq x \leq 9$ to compare both offers.

   \[
   \begin{array}{c|c|c}
   x & A = 5000x + 10000 & B = 500(2)^{x-1} \\
   \hline
   6 & 40,000 & 16,000 \\
   7 & 45,000 & 32,000 \\
   8 & 50,000 & 64,000 \\
   9 & 55,000 & 128,000 \\
   \end{array}
   \]

   Offer B is greater than offer A when $x = 8$.

   PTS: 2  REF: 081518ai  NAT: F.LE.A.3  TOP: Comparing Linear and Exponential Functions
3. ANS: C
Step 1. Understand that the problem asks you to select the largest value of x where the value of \( f(x) \) will be greater than the value of \( g(x) \).
Step 2. Strategy. Input both functions in a graphing calculator and explore the table of values.
Step 3. Execution of Strategy.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>X</th>
<th>Y1</th>
<th>Y2</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>13484</td>
<td>2187</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>22409</td>
<td>6561</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>35244</td>
<td>19683</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>53009</td>
<td>59949</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>76844</td>
<td>177147</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>108009</td>
<td>531441</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>147884</td>
<td>1.59E6</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The table shows that \( f(x) \) is greater than \( g(x) \) when \( x = 7, x = 8, \) and \( x = 9 \), but not when \( x = 10 \). The largest integer for which \( f(x) \) is greater than \( g(x) \) is 9.
Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. \( f(x) = 5x^4 + 30x^2 + 9 \) is a quadratic function and \( g(x) = 3^x \) is an exponential function. Exponential growth eventually outpaces quadratic growth.

PTS: 2  REF: 061621ai  NAT: F.LE.A.3  TOP: Families of Functions

4. ANS: A
Strategy: Input all functions in a graphing calculator, then inspect the table of values for \( x = 26 \), which is beyond 25, as required by the problem.

Let \( f(x) = y_1 \)
\( g(x) = y_2 \)
\( h(x) = y_3 \)
\( k(x) = y_4 \)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>X</th>
<th>Y1</th>
<th>Y2</th>
<th>X</th>
<th>Y3</th>
<th>Y4</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>3235.3</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>600</td>
<td>12600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>4587.9</td>
<td>34.5</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>661.5</td>
<td>14553</td>
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<td>22</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>726</td>
<td>16658</td>
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<td>23</td>
<td>795.5</td>
<td>19044</td>
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<td>24</td>
<td>16834</td>
<td>39</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>864</td>
<td>21600</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| 25  | 25251 | 40.5| 25  | 937.5 | 24325| X=26
Y4=27378

PTS: 2  REF: 081618ai  NAT: F.LE.A.3
5. ANS:

\[ g(x) \text{ has a greater value: } 2^{20} > 2^2 \]

Strategy: Input both functions in a graphing calculator, use the table of values to create the paper graph, and to compare the values of \( y \) for various values of \( x \).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>X</th>
<th>Y₁</th>
<th>Y₂</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>32</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>64</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The table of values shows that when \( x = 20 \), \( g(x) > f(x) \).

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. \( 2^{20} > 2^2 \)

PTS: 4        REF: 081533ai        NAT: F.LE.A.3
TOP: Comparing Quadratic and Exponential Functions
F.BF.A.1: Model Explicit and Recursive Processes

FUNCTIONS

F.BF.A.1: Model Explicit and Recursive Processes

A. Build a function that models a relationship between two quantities.
1. Write a function that describes a relationship between two quantities.
   a. Determine an explicit expression, a recursive process, or steps for calculation from a context.

Vocabulary

An explicit formula is one where you do not need to know the value of the term in front of the term that you are seeking.
A recursive formula requires you to know the value of another term, usually the preceding term, to find the value of a specific term.

BIG IDEA

There are four views of a function: 1) the function rule; 2) the table of values; 3) the graph; and 4) the narrative or “context” view. Sometimes, it is easier to understand a function using different views. For example, the same function can be modeled in four different views. Understanding one view can help to find the other views.

Modeling a Sample Function

Context View: The inside of a freeze is kept at a constant temperature of 15 degrees farenheit. When a quart of liquid water is placed in the freezer, its farenheit temperature drops by one-half every 20 minutes until it turn into ice and reaches a constant temperature of 15 degrees.

Table View: These tables shows what the temperatures of two different quarts of water would be after $m$ minutes in the freezer.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Minutes in Freezer ($m$)</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>20</th>
<th>40</th>
<th>60</th>
<th>80</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Temperature ($f(m)$)</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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<th>40</th>
<th>60</th>
<th>80</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Temperature ($f(m)$)</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>60</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Function Rule View

The narrative view and the table views suggest that the temperature drops exponentially at first, then stays at a constant temperature of 15 degrees.

* The exponential parts of the functions can be modeled using the formula for exponential decay, as follows:

$$f(m) = I \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{m}{20}}$$

$$f(m) = I \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{m}{20}}$$

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\( f(m) \) represents the temperature of the water after \( m \) minutes in the freezer. \\

\( I \) represents the initial temperature of the water. \\

\( \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{m}{20}} \) represents the exponential rate of decay. \\

\[ \frac{m}{20} \] represents time. \\

The range of the function would be limited to \( 212 \geq f(m) \geq 15 \)

Check: Input the system of equations in a graphing calculator for a quart of water with an initial temperature of 80 degrees.

Graph View

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>X</th>
<th>Y_1</th>
<th>Y_2</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>56.569</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
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<td>20</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>15</td>
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<td>50</td>
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<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>60</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

DIMS - Does It Make Sense? Yes, all four views of the function show that the water cools down quickly at first, then more slowly, then reaches a final temperature of 15 degrees. The graph view shows that it would take about 48 minutes for a quart of liquid water with an initial temperature of 80 degrees to reach a frozen temperature of 15 degrees.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. Alex is selling tickets to a school play. An adult ticket costs $6.50 and a student ticket costs $4.00. Alex sells \( x \) adult tickets and 12 student tickets. Write a function, \( f(x) \), to represent how much money Alex collected from selling tickets.
2. Each day Toni records the height of a plant for her science lab. Her data are shown in the table below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day (n)</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>5</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Height (cm)</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>4.5</td>
<td>6.0</td>
<td>7.5</td>
<td>9.0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The plant continues to grow at a constant daily rate. Write an equation to represent \( h(n) \), the height of the plant on the \( n \)th day.

3. Krystal was given $3000 when she turned 2 years old. Her parents invested it at a 2\% interest rate compounded annually. No deposits or withdrawals were made. Which expression can be used to determine how much money Krystal had in the account when she turned 18?

a. \( 3000(1 + 0.02)^{16} \)

b. \( 3000(1 - 0.02)^{16} \)

c. \( 3000(1 + 0.02)^{18} \)

d. \( 3000(1 - 0.02)^{18} \)

4. Caitlin has a movie rental card worth $175. After she rents the first movie, the card’s value is $172.25. After she rents the second movie, its value is $169.50. After she rents the third movie, the card is worth $166.75. Assuming the pattern continues, write an equation to define \( A(n) \), the amount of money on the rental card after \( n \) rentals.

Caitlin rents a movie every Friday night. How many weeks in a row can she afford to rent a movie, using her rental card only? Explain how you arrived at your answer.
5. In 2013, the United States Postal Service charged $0.46 to mail a letter weighing up to 1 oz. and $0.20 per ounce for each additional ounce. Which function would determine the cost, in dollars, \( c(z) \), of mailing a letter weighing \( z \) ounces where \( z \) is an integer greater than 1?

a. \( c(z) = 0.46z + 0.20 \)

b. \( c(z) = 0.20z + 0.46 \)

c. \( c(z) = 0.46(z - 1) + 0.20 \)

d. \( c(z) = 0.20(z - 1) + 0.46 \)

6. Jackson is starting an exercise program. The first day he will spend 30 minutes on a treadmill. He will increase his time on the treadmill by 2 minutes each day. Write an equation for \( T(d) \), the time, in minutes, on the treadmill on day \( d \). Find \( T(6) \), the minutes he will spend on the treadmill on day 6.
F.BF.A.1: Model Explicit and Recursive Processes
Answer Section

1. ANS:
   \[ f(x) = 6.50x + 4(12) \]

   Strategy: Translate the words into math.

   $6.50$ per adult ticket plus $4.00$ per student ticket equals total money collected.
   $6.50$ times \( x \) plus $4.00$ times $12$ students equals total money collected
   $6.50x + 4(12) = f(x)$

PTS: 2       REF: 061526ai       NAT: F.BF.A.1       TOP: Modeling Linear Equations
2. ANS:
\[ y = 1.5x + 1.5 \]

Strategy 1: The problem states that the plant grows at a constant daily rate, so the rate of change is constant. Use the slope-intercept form of a line, \( y = mx + b \), and data from the table to identify the slope and \( y \)-intercept.

STEP 1: Extend the table to show the \( y \)-intercept, as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day (n)</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>5</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Height (cm)</td>
<td>1.5</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4.5</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>7.5</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The \( y \)-intercept is 1.5, so we can write \( y = mx + 1.5 \).

STEP 2. Use the slope formula and any two pairs of data to find the slope. In the following calculation, the points (1,3) and (5,9) are used.

\[
\begin{align*}
    y &= y_2 - y_1 \\
    x &= x_2 - x_1 \\
    m &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \\
    &= \frac{9 - 3}{5 - 1} \\
    &= \frac{6}{4} \\
    &= \frac{3}{2} = 1.5
\end{align*}
\]

The slope is 1.5, so we can write \( y = 1.5x + 1.5 \)

DIMS?: See below.

Strategy 2: Use linear regression.

The equation is \( y = 1.5x + 1.5 \)

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. The equation can be used to reproduce the table view, as follows:

PTS: 2     REF: 081525ai     NAT: F.BF.A.1     TOP: Modeling Linear Functions
3. ANS: A

Strategy 1: Use the formula for exponential growth to model the problem.

The formula for exponential growth is \[ y = a(1 + r)^t. \]

The formula for exponential decay is \[ y = a(1 - r)^t. \]

- \( y = \text{final amount} \) after measuring growth/decay
- \( a = \text{initial amount} \) before measuring growth/decay
- \( r = \text{growth/decay rate} \) (usually a percent)
- \( t = \text{number of time intervals} \) that have passed

The problem asks for the right side expression for exponential growth. The problem states that $3,000 is the initial amount. The problem states that the growth factor is 2%, which is written as .02 and added to 1. The problem states that interest is compounded annually from age 2 through age 18, so the number of time intervals is 16 years.

The final expression for the right side of the exponential growth equation is written as \( 3000(1 + 0.02)^{16} \).

Strategy 2. Build a model and eliminate wrong answers.

Model the words using a table of values to see the pattern.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Krystal’s Age</th>
<th># Times Compounding</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3060</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3121.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>3183.624</td>
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<td>...</td>
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<tr>
<td>18</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>?</td>
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It is clear from the table that the number of times interest compounds is 2 less than Krystal’s age. Eliminate answer choices c and d, because both show exponents of 18, which is Krystal’s age, not the number of times the interest will compound.

The choices now are a and b. The table shows that the amounts are increasing, which is exponential growth, not exponential decay. Eliminate choice b because it shows exponential decay.

Check by putting choice a in a graphing calculator using x as the exponent.

Answer choice a creates the same table of values, and the amount of money on Krystal’s 18th birthday will be \( 3000(1 + 0.02)^{16} \) dollars.

PTS: 2 REF: 011504ai NAT: F.BF.A.1 TOP: Modeling Exponential Equations
4. ANS:
63 weeks

Strategy: Model the problem with a linear function.

\[ A(n) = 175 - 2.75n \]
Each movie rental costs $2.75
Let \( n \) represent the number of rentals.
Let \( A(n) \) represent the amount of money on the rental card after \( n \) rentals.
Caitlin can rent a movie for 63 weeks in a row.

Explanation:
Caitlin has $175.
Each movie rental costs $2.75
$175 divided by $2.75 equals 63.6, so $2.75 times 63.6 equals $175.
Caitlin has enough money to rent 63 videos. After 63 weeks, Caitlin will not have enough money to rent another movie.

\[ A(63) = 175 - 2.75(63) \]
\[ A(63) = 175 - 173.25 \]
\[ A(63) = 1.75 \]
After 63 weeks, Caitlin will have $1.75 on her rental card, which is not enough to rent another movie.

Check using a table of values:

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<td>1</td>
<td>172.25</td>
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<td>169.5</td>
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<td>166.75</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>164</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>161.25</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>158.5</td>
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<td>7.25</td>
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<td>62</td>
<td>4.5</td>
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<td>1.75</td>
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<td>-1</td>
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<tr>
<td>65</td>
<td>-3.75</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>66</td>
<td>-6.5</td>
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Press + for \( \Delta \) tblX=60
5. **ANS: D**  
**Strategy:** Eliminate wrong answers.

The problem states that there is a flat charge of $0.46 to mail a letter. This flat charge applies regardless of what the letter weighs. Eliminate any answer that multiplies this flat charge by the weight of the letter. Eliminate answer choices a and c.

The difference between answer choices b and d is in the terms $0.20z$ and $0.20(z - 1)$, where $z$ represents the weight of the letter in ounces. Choice b charges 20 cents for every ounce. Choice d charges 20 cents for every ounce in excess of the first ounce. Choice d is the correct answer.

**DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes.** Transform answer choice c for input into the graphing calculator.

\[
c(z) = 0.20(z - 1) + 0.46
\]

\[
Y_1 = 0.20(x - 1) + 0.46
\]

The table shows $0.46 to mail a letter weighing up to 1 oz. and $0.20 per ounce for each additional ounce.

**PTS:** 2  
**REF:** 011523ai  
**NAT:** A.CED.A.2  
**TOP:** Modeling Linear Equations
6. ANS: 
\[ T(d) = 2d + 28 \]
Jackson will spend 40 minutes on the treadmill on day 6.

Strategy: Start with a table of values, then write an equation that models both the table view and the narrative view of the function. Then, use the equation to determine the number of minutes Jackson will spend on the treadmill on day 6.

STEP 1: Model the narrative view with a table view.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>(d)</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>5</th>
<th>6</th>
<th>7</th>
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<th>9</th>
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<td>(T(d))</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>46</td>
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</table>

STEP 2: Write an equation.

\[
T(d) = 30 + 2(d - 1)
\]
\[
T(d) = 30 + 2d - 2
\]
\[
T(d) = 28 + 2d
\]

STEP 3: Use the equation to find the number of minutes Jackson will spend on the treadmill on day 6.

\[
T(d) = 28 + 2d
\]
\[
T(6) = 28 + 2(6)
\]
\[
T(6) = 40
\]

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. Both the equation and the table of values predict that Jackson will spend 40 minutes on the treadmill on day 6.

PTS: 2 REF: 081532ai NAT: A.CED.A.1 TOP: Modeling Linear Functions
F.BF.B.3: Build New Functions from Existing Functions.

FUNCTIONS

F.BF.B.3: Transformations of Graphs of Functions

B. Build new functions from existing functions.

3. Identify the effect on the graph of replacing \( f(x) \) by \( f(x) + k \), \( k f(x) \), \( f(kx) \), and \( f(x + k) \) for specific values of \( k \) (both positive and negative); find the value of \( k \) given the graphs. Experiment with cases and illustrate an explanation of the effects on the graph using technology. Include recognizing even and odd functions from their graphs and algebraic expressions for them.

**BIG IDEA**

The graph of a function is changed when either \( f(x) \) or \( x \) is multiplied by a scalar, or when a constant is added to or subtracted from either \( f(x) \) or \( x \). A graphing calculator can be used to explore the translations of graph views of functions.

**Rules:**

- \( f(x) \Rightarrow f(x) \pm k \) moves the graph \( \uparrow \) up or down.
  - \( +k \) moves every point on the graph up \( k \) units.
  - \( -k \) moves every point on the graph down \( k \) units
- \( f(x) \Leftrightarrow f(x \pm k) \) moves the graph \( \leftrightarrow \) left or right.
  - \( +k \) moves every point on the graph left \( k \) units.
  - \( -k \) moves every point on the graph right \( k \) units

**Examples:**

Replace \( f(x) \) by \( f(x) + k \)

![Graph showing function transformations](image)

The addition or subtraction of a constant \textbf{outside the parentheses} moves the graph up or down by the value of the constant.

Replace \( f(x) \) by \( f(x + k) \)

![Graph showing function transformations](image)

The addition or subtraction of a constant \textbf{inside the parentheses} moves the graph left or right by the value of the constant.
Rule: \( f(x) \leftrightarrow f(kx) \) changes the direction and width of a parabola

\(-k\) inverts the parabola

If \( k \) is a fraction less than \(|1|\), the parabola will become wider.

If \( k \) is a number larger than \(|1|\), the parabola will become narrower.

Examples:

Changing the value of \( a \) in a quadratic affects the width and direction of a parabola. The bigger the absolute value of \( a \), the narrower the parabola.

\( f(x) \leftrightarrow kf(x) \) changes the y intercept of the graph.
Even and Odd Functions

**Even functions**: must
1. have exponents that are all even numbers (divisible by 2)
2. reflect in the y-axis.

**Example of an Even Function**:

```
Plot1  Plot2  Plot3
Y1  X^2-4
Y2  =
Y3  =
Y4  =
Y5  =
Y6  =
```

**Odd functions**: must
1. have exponents that are all odd numbers
2. reflect in the origin (0,0).

**Example of an Odd Function**:

```
Plot1  Plot2  Plot3
Y1  X^3+X
Y2  =
Y3  =
Y4  =
Y5  =
Y6  =
```

**Examples of Functions that are Not Even or Odd**:

```
Plot1  Plot2  Plot3
Y1  X^2+X-4
Y2  =
Y3  =
Y4  =
Y5  =
Y6  =
```

```
Plot1  Plot2  Plot3
Y1  X^2+X+3
Y2  =
Y3  =
Y4  =
Y5  =
Y6  =
```
An Algebraic Test to Determine if a Function is Even, Odd, or Neither:

Evaluate the function for \( f(-x) \).

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<td>( f(x) = x^3 + x + 3 )</td>
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<td>( f(-x) = (-x)^2 + 4 )</td>
<td>( f(-x) = (-x)^3 + (-x) )</td>
<td>( f(-x) = (-x)^3 + (-x) + 3 )</td>
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<td>( f(-x) = -x^3 - x )</td>
<td>( f(-x) = -x^3 - x + 3 )</td>
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</table>

The function is **even** if \( f(x) \) has exactly the same terms as \( f(-x) \).

The function is **odd** if all the terms of \( f(x) \) and \( f(-x) \) are additive inverses.

The function is **neither** even or odd if the terms if all the terms are not the same or opposites.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. How does the graph of \( f(x) = 3(x - 2)^2 + 1 \) compare to the graph of \( g(x) = x^2 \)?
   a. The graph of \( f(x) \) is wider than the graph of \( g(x) \), and its vertex is moved to the left 2 units and up 1 unit.
   b. The graph of \( f(x) \) is narrower than the graph of \( g(x) \), and its vertex is moved to the right 2 units and up 1 unit.
   c. The graph of \( f(x) \) is narrower than the graph of \( g(x) \), and its vertex is moved to the left 2 units and up 1 unit.
   d. The graph of \( f(x) \) is wider than the graph of \( g(x) \), and its vertex is moved to the right 2 units and up 1 unit.
2. In the diagram below, \( f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 \) is graphed. Also graphed is \( g(x) \), the result of a translation of \( f(x) \).

Determine an equation of \( g(x) \). Explain your reasoning.

3. The graph of the equation \( y = ax^2 \) is shown below.

If \( a \) is multiplied by \( \frac{-1}{2} \), the graph of the new equation is

a. wider and opens downward
b. wider and opens upward
c. narrower and opens downward
d. narrower and opens upward
4. The vertex of the parabola represented by \( f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3 \) has coordinates \((2, -1)\). Find the coordinates of the vertex of the parabola defined by \( g(x) = f(x - 2) \). Explain how you arrived at your answer. [The use of the set of axes below is optional.]

5. Graph the function \( y = |x - 3| \) on the set of axes below.

Explain how the graph of \( y = |x - 3| \) has changed from the related graph \( y = |x| \).
6. On the axes below, graph $f(x) = |3x|$. 

If $g(x) = f(x) - 2$, how is the graph of $f(x)$ translated to form the graph of $g(x)$? 
If $h(x) = f(x - 4)$, how is the graph of $f(x)$ translated to form the graph of $h(x)$?
F.BF.B.3: Build New Functions from Existing Functions.
Answer Section

1. ANS: B
   Strategy: Input both functions in a graphing calculator and compare them.

   Let the graph of \( Y_1 \) be the graph of \( f(x) = 3(x - 2)^2 + 1 \)
   Let the graph of \( Y_2 \) be the graph of \( g(x) = x^2 \)
   Input both functions in a graphing calculator.
   \( g(x) \) is the thick line and \( f(x) \) is the thin line.

![Graph showing two functions and a table of values]

   PTS: 2    REF: 011512ai    NAT: F.BF.B.3
   TOP: Transformations with Functions and Relations

2. ANS:

   \( g(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 4 \)

   \( f(x) \) has a y-intercept of 0.
   \( g(x) \) has a y-intercept of -4.
   Every point on \( f(x) \) is a translation down 4 units to create \( g(x) \).

   PTS: 2    REF: 061632ai    NAT: F.BF.B.3    TOP: Graphing Polynomial Functions
3. ANS: A
Strategy: Use the following general rules for quadratics, then check with a graphing calculator.
As the value of \( a \) approaches 0, the parabola gets wider.
A positive value of \( a \) opens upward.
A negative value of \( a \) opens downward.

Check with graphing calculator:
Assume \( a = 1 \), then \( y_1 = 1x^2 \)
If \( a \) is multiplied by \( -\frac{1}{2} \), then \( y_2 = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 \).

Input both equations in a graphing calculator, as follows:

```
Plot1 Plot2 Plot3
\( Y_1 = 1x^2 \)
\( Y_2 = (1/2)x^2 \)
\( Y_3 = \)
\( Y_4 = \)
\( Y_5 = \)
\( Y_6 = \)
```

PTS: 2  REF: 081417ai  NAT: F.BF.B.3
TOP:  Transformations with Functions and Relations
4. ANS:

(4, -1). \( f(x - 2) \) is a horizontal shift two units to the right

Strategy 1: Compose a new function, find the axis of symmetry, solve for \( g(x) \) at axis of symmetry, as follows:

\[
\begin{align*}
  f(x) & = x^2 - 4x + 3 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = f(x - 2) \\
  \text{Therefore:} \quad g(x) & = (x - 2)^2 - 4(x - 2) + 3 \\
  g(x) & = x^2 - 4x + 4 - 4x + 8 + 3 \\
  g(x) & = x^2 - 8x + 15
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
  \text{axis of symmetry} & = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-(-8)}{2(1)} = \frac{8}{2} = 4 \\
  g(x) & = x^2 - 8x + 15 \\
  g(4) & = (4)^2 - 8(4) + 15 \\
  g(4) & = 16 - 32 + 15 \\
  g(4) & = -1
\end{align*}
\]

The coordinates of the vertex of \( g(x) \) are (4, -1)

Strategy #2. Input the new function in a graphing calculator and identify the vertex.

PTS: 2  REF: 061428ai  NAT: F.BF.B.3  TOP: Transformations with Functions and Relations
5. ANS:

The graph has shifted three units to the right.

Strategy: Input both functions in a graphing calculator and compare the graphs.

PTS: 2        REF: 061525ai        NAT: F.BF.B.3
TOP: Transformations with Functions and Relations
6. ANS:

b) If $g(x) = f(x) - 2$, the graph of $f(x)$ is translated 2 down to form the graph of $g(x)$.

c) If $h(x) = f(x - 4)$, the graph of $f(x)$ translated 4 right to form the graph of $h(x)$.

Strategy: Input the three functions in a graphing calculator and compare the graphs.

PTS: 4
REF: 081433ai
NAT: F.BF.B.3
TOP: Transformations with Functions and Relations
A.APR.A.1: Arithmetic Operations on Polynomials

POLYNOMIALS AND QUADRATICS

A.APR.A.1: Arithmetic Operations on Polynomials

A. Perform arithmetic operations on polynomials.

1. Understand that polynomials form a system analogous to the integers, namely, they are closed under the operations of addition, subtraction, and multiplication; add, subtract, and multiply polynomials (linear, quadratic).

Vocabulary

- **Polynomial**: A monomial or the sum of two or more monomials whose exponents are positive.
  
  Example: \(5a^2 + ba - 3\)

- **Monomial**: A polynomial with one term; it is a number, a variable, or the product of a number (the coefficient) and one or more variables
  
  Examples: \(-\frac{1}{4}a^2, 4a^2b, -1.2, m^2n^3p^4\)

- **Binomial**: An algebraic expression consisting of two terms
  
  Example \((5a + 6)\)

- **Trinomial**: A polynomial with exactly three terms.
  
  Example \((a^2 + 2a - 3)\)

- **Like Terms**: Like terms must have **exactly the same base and the same exponent**. Their coefficients may be different. Real numbers are like terms.
  
  Example: Given the expression
  \[
  1x^2 + 2y + 3x^2 + 4x + 5x^3 + 6y^2 + 7y + 8x^3 + 9y^2,
  \]
  the following are like terms:
  
  - \(1x^2\) and \(3x^2\)
  - \(2y\) and \(7y\)
  - \(4x\) has no other like terms in the expression
  - \(5x^3\) and \(8x^3\)
  - \(6y^2\) and \(9y^2\)

  Like terms in the same expression can be combined by adding their coefficients.
  
  - \(1x^2 + 3x^2 = 4x^2\)
  - \(2y + 7y = 9y\)
  - \(4x\) has no other like terms in the expression = \(4x\)
  - \(5x^3 + 8x^3 = 13x^3\)
  - \(6y^2 + 9y^2 = 15y^2\)
  
  \[
  1x^2 + 2y + 3x^2 + 4x + 5x^3 + 6y^2 + 7y + 8x^3 + 9y^2 = 4x^2 + 9y + 4x + 13x^3 + 15y^2
  \]

**Adding and Subtracting Polynomials**: To add or subtract polynomials, arrange the polynomials one above the other with like terms in the same columns. Then, add or subtract the coefficients of the like terms in each column and write a new expression.
### Addition Example
Add: \((3r^4 - 9r^3 - 8) + (4r^4 + 8r^3 - 8)\)

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<tr>
<td>4r^4</td>
<td>+8r^3</td>
<td>-8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7r^4</td>
<td>-r^3</td>
<td>-16</td>
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### Subtraction Example
Subtract: \((3r^4 - 9r^3 - 8) - (4r^4 + 8r^3 - 8)\)

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<td>-(8)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-1r^4</td>
<td>-17r^3</td>
<td>+0</td>
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### Multiplying Polynomials
To multiply two polynomials, multiply each term in the first polynomial by each term in the second polynomial, then combine like terms.

**Example:**
Multiply: \((-8r^2 - 9r + 7)(-5r + 1)\)

**STEP 1:** Multiply the first term in the first polynomial by each term in the second polynomial, as follows:

\[-8r^2(-5r+1)\]

\[-8r^2(-5r)+(-8r^2)(1)\]

\[40r^3-8r^2\]

**STEP 2:** Multiply the next term in the first polynomial by each term in the second polynomial, as follows:

\[-9r(-5r+1)\]

\[-9r(-5r)+(-9r)(1)\]

\[45r^2-9r\]

**STEP 3:** Multiply the next term in the first polynomial by each term in the second polynomial, as follows:

\[7(-5r+1)\]

\[7(-5r)+7(1)\]

\[-35r+7\]

**STEP 4:** Combine like terms from each step.

\[40r^3 - 8r^2 + 45r^2 - 9r - 35r + 7\]

\[40r^3 + 37r^2 - 44r + 7\]
1. If the difference \((3x^2 - 2x + 5) - (x^2 + 3x - 2)\) is multiplied by \(\frac{1}{2}x^2\), what is the result, written in standard form?

2. If \(A = 3x^2 + 5x - 6\) and \(B = -2x^2 - 6x + 7\), then \(A - B\) equals
   
   a. \(-5x^2 - 11x + 13\)  
   b. \(5x^2 + 11x - 13\)  
   c. \(-5x^2 - x + 1\)  
   d. \(5x^2 - x + 1\)

3. Subtract \(5x^2 + 2x - 11\) from \(3x^2 + 8x - 7\). Express the result as a trinomial.
4. A company produces \( x \) units of a product per month, where \( C(x) \) represents the total cost and \( R(x) \) represents the total revenue for the month. The functions are modeled by \( C(x) = 300x + 250 \) and \( R(x) = -0.5x^2 + 800x - 100 \). The profit is the difference between revenue and cost where \( P(x) = R(x) - C(x) \). What is the total profit, \( P(x) \), for the month?

a. \( P(x) = -0.5x^2 + 500x - 150 \)  

b. \( P(x) = -0.5x^2 + 500x - 350 \)

c. \( P(x) = -0.5x^2 - 500x + 350 \)

d. \( P(x) = -0.5x^2 + 500x + 350 \)

5. Fred is given a rectangular piece of paper. If the length of Fred's piece of paper is represented by \( 2x - 6 \) and the width is represented by \( 3x - 5 \), then the paper has a total area represented by

a. \( 5x - 11 \) 

b. \( 6x^2 - 28x + 30 \)

c. \( 10x - 22 \)

d. \( 6x^2 - 6x - 11 \)

6. Express the product of \( 2x^2 + 7x - 10 \) and \( x + 5 \) in standard form.
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Answer Section

1. ANS:

\[ x^4 - \frac{5}{2} x^3 + \frac{7}{2} x^2 \]

Strategy. First, find the difference between \((3x^2 - 2x + 5) - (x^2 + 3x - 2)\), the use the distributive property to multiply the difference by \(\frac{1}{2} x^2\). Simplify as necessary.

STEP 1. Find the difference between \((3x^2 - 2x + 5) - (x^2 + 3x - 2)\). To subtract polynomials, change the signs of the subtrahend and add.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Given: ((3x^2 - 2x + 5))</th>
<th>Change the signs and add: (3x^2 - 2x + 5)</th>
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<tr>
<td>(- (x^2 + 3x - 2))</td>
<td>(-x^2 - 3x + 2)</td>
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<td>(2x^2 - 5x + 7)</td>
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STEP 2. Multiply \(2x^2 - 5x + 7\) by \(\frac{1}{2} x^2\).

\[ \frac{1}{2} x^2 \left( 2x^2 - 5x + 7 \right) \]

\[ x^4 - \frac{5}{2} x^3 + \frac{7}{2} x^2 \]


2. ANS: B

Strategy: To subtract, change the signs of the subtrahend and add.

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<td>(- \left( -2x^2 - 6x + 7 \right))</td>
<td>(+2x^2 + 6x - 7)</td>
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PTS: 2 REF: 061403ai NAT: A.APR.A.1 TOP: Addition and Subtraction of Polynomials KEY: subtraction

3. ANS:

Strategy: To subtract, change the signs of the subtrahend and add.

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<td>(- \left( 5x^2 + 2x - 11 \right))</td>
<td>(-5x^2 - 2x + 11)</td>
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<td>(-2x^2 + 6x + 4)</td>
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PTS: 2 REF: 011528ai NAT: A.APR.A.1 TOP: Addition and Subtraction of Polynomials KEY: subtraction
4. ANS: B
Strategy: Substitute $R(x)$ and $C(x)$ into $P(x) = R(x) - C(x)$.

Given: 
$P(x) = R(x) - C(x)$
$R(x) = -0.5x^2 + 800x - 100$
$C(x) = 300x + 250$

Therefore: 
$P(x) = \left(-0.5x^2 + 800x - 100\right) - \left(300x + 250\right)$
$P(x) = -0.5x^2 + 800x - 100 - 300x - 250$
$P(x) = -0.5x^2 + 500x - 350$

PTS: 2   REF: 081406ai   NAT: A.APR.A.1   TOP: Addition and Subtraction of Polynomials
KEY: subtraction

5. ANS: B
Strategy: Draw a picture and use the area formula for a rectangle: $A = lw$.

\[ A = (2x - 6)(3x - 5) \]
\[ A = 6x^2 - 10x - 18x + 30 \]
\[ A = 6x^2 - 28x + 30 \]

PTS: 2   REF: 011510ai   NAT: A.APR.A.1   TOP: Multiplication of Polynomials
6. ANS:
\[2x^3 + 17x^2 + 25x - 50\]

Strategy: Use the distribution property to multiply polynomials, then simplify.

STEP 1. Use the distributive property

\[\begin{align*}
(2x^2 + 7x - 10)(x + 5) \\
2x^3 + 10x^2 + 7x^2 + 35x - 10x - 50 \\
2x^3 + 17x^2 + 25x - 50
\end{align*}\]

STEP 2. Simplify by combining like terms.

\[\begin{align*}
2x^3 + 10x^2 + 7x^2 + 35x - 10x - 50 \\
2x^3 + 17x^2 + 25x - 50
\end{align*}\]

PTS: 2 REF: 081428ai NAT: A.APR.A.1 TOP: Multiplication of Polynomials
A.APR.B.3: Find Zeros of Polynomials

POLYNOMIALS AND QUADRATICS

A.APR.B.3: Find Zeros of Polynomials

B. Understand the relationship between zeros and factors of polynomials.
3. Identify zeros of polynomials when suitable factorizations are available, and use the zeros to construct a rough graph of the function defined by the polynomial.

Vocabulary

**Multiplication Property of Zero**: The *multiplication property of zero* says that if the product of two numbers or expressions is zero, then one or both of the numbers or expressions must equal zero. More simply, if \( x \cdot y = 0 \), then either \( x = 0 \) or \( y = 0 \), or, \( x \) and \( y \) both equal zero.

**Factor**: A *factor* is:
1) a whole number that is a *divisor* of another number, or
2) an algebraic expression that is a *divisor* of another algebraic expression.

Examples:
- 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 12 all divide the number 12, so 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 12 are all factors of 12.
- \((x - 3)\) and \((x + 2)\) will divide the trinomial expression \(x^2 - x - 6\), so \((x - 3)\) and \((x + 2)\) are both factors of the \(x^2 - x - 6\).

**Zeros**: A *zero* of an equation is a *solution* or *root* of the equation. The words *zero*, *solution*, and *root* all mean the same thing. The zeros of a polynomial expression are found by finding the value of \( x \) when the value of \( y \) is 0. This done by making and solving an equation with the value of the polynomial expression equal to zero.

Example:
- The *zeros* of the trinomial expression \(x^2 + 2x - 24\) can be found by writing and then factoring the equation:
  \[x^2 + 2x - 24 = 0\]
  \[(x + 6)(x - 4) = 0\]
  After factoring the equation, use the *multiplication property of zero* to find the zeros, as follows:
  \[(x + 6)(x - 4) = 0\]
  \[\therefore x + 6 = 0 \text{ and/or } x - 4 = 0\]
  If \(x + 6 = 0\), then \(x = -6\)
  If \(x - 4 = 0\), then \(x = +4\)
  The zeros of the expression \(x^2 + 2x - 24 = 0\) are -6 and +4.
Check: You can check this by substituting both -6 or +4 into the expression, as follows:

Check for -6

\[ x^2 + 2x - 24 \]
\[ (-6)^2 + 2(-6) - 24 \]
\[ 36 - 12 - 24 \]
\[ 0 \]

Check for +4

\[ x^2 + 2x - 24 \]
\[ (4)^2 + 2(4) - 24 \]
\[ 16 + 8 - 24 \]
\[ 0 \]

**x-axis intercepts**: The zeros of an expression can also be understood as the **x-axis intercepts** of the graph of the equation when \( f(x) = 0 \). This is because the coordinates of the x-axis intercepts, by definition, have y-values equal to zero, and is the same as writing an equation where the expression is equal to zero.

The roots of \( x^2 + 2x - 24 = 0 \) are \( x = -6 \) and \( x = 4 \). These are the x coordinate values of the x-axis intercepts.

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<tr>
<th>Plot1</th>
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**BIG IDEA #1**

**Starting with Factors and Finding Zeros**

Remember that the **factors** of an expression are **related to** the **zeros** of the expression by the **multiplication property of zero**. Thus, if you know the **factors**, it is easy to find the **zeros**.

Example: The factors of an expression are \((2x + 2), (x + 3)\) and \((x - 1)\).

The zeros are found as follows using the multiplication property of zero:

\[(2x + 2)(x + 3)(x - 1) = 0\]

\[\therefore 2x + 2 = 0 \text{ and } x = -1\]

\[\text{and/or } x + 3 = 0 \text{ and } x = -3\]

\[\text{and/or } x - 1 = 0 \text{ and } x = 1\]

The zeros are -3, -1, and +1.
BIG IDEA #2

Starting with Zeros and Finding Factors

If you know the zeros of an expression, you can work backwards using the multiplication property of zero to find the factors of the expression. For example, if you inspect the graph of an equation and find that it has x-intercepts at $x = 3$ and $x = -2$, you can write:

\[ x = 3 \]

\[ \implies (x - 3) = 0 \]

\[ \text{and} \]

\[ x = -2 \]

\[ \implies (x + 2) = 0 \]

The equation of the graph has factors of $(x - 3)$ and $(x + 2)$, so you can write the equation:

\[ (x - 3)(x + 2) = 0 \]

which simplifies to

\[ x^2 + 2x - 3x - 6 = f(x) \]

\[ x^2 - x - 6 = f(x) \]

With practice, you can probably move back and forth between the zeros of an expression and the factors of an expression with ease.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. A polynomial function contains the factors $x$, $x - 2$, and $x + 5$. Which graph(s) below could represent the graph of this function?

   a. I, only
   b. II, only
   c. I and III
   d. I, II, and III
2. Which equation(s) represent the graph below?

I \hspace{1em} y = (x + 2)(x^2 - 4x - 12)

II \hspace{1em} y = (x - 3)(x^2 + x - 2)

III \hspace{1em} y = (x - 1)(x^2 - 5x - 6)

a. I, only \hspace{5em} c. I and II
b. II, only \hspace{5em} d. II and III

3. The zeros of the function \( f(x) = (x + 2)^2 - 25 \) are

a. \(-2\) and \(5\) \hspace{5em} c. \(-5\) and \(2\)
b. \(-3\) and \(7\) \hspace{5em} d. \(-7\) and \(3\)
A.APR.B.3: Find Zeros of Polynomials

Answer Section

1. ANS: A
   Strategy 1. Convert the factors to zeros, then find the graph(s) with the corresponding zeros.
   STEP 1. Convert the factors to zeros.
   A factor of $x - 0$ equates to a zero of the polynomial at $x=0$.
   A factor of $x - 2$ equates to a zero of the polynomial at $x=2$.
   A factor of $x + 5$ equates to a zero of the polynomial at $x=-5$.
   STEP 2. Find the zeros of the graphs.
   Graph I has zeros at -5, 0, and 2.
   Graph II has zeros at -5 and 2.
   Graph III has zeros at -2, 0, and 5.
   Answer choice $a$ is correct.

   Strategy 2: Input the factors into a graphing calculator and view the graph of the function $y = (x)(x - 2)(x + 5)$.

   ![Graph Image]

   Note: This graph has the same zeros as graph I, but the end behaviors of the graph are reversed. This graph is a reflection in the x-axis of graph I and the reversal is caused by a change in the sign of the leading coefficient in the expansion of $y = (x)(x - 2)(x + 5)$. It makes no difference in answering this problem. The zeros are the same and the correct answer choice is answer choice $a$.

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2. ANS: B
   Strategy: Factor the trinomials in each equation, then convert the factors into zeros and select the equations that have zeros at -2, 1, and 3.

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<td>Zeros at -2, 6, and -2</td>
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   The correct answer choice is $b$.

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3. ANS: D

Strategy: Use root operations to solve \( f(x) = (x + 2)^2 - 25 \) for \( f(x) = 0 \).

\[
\begin{align*}
  f(x) &= (x + 2)^2 - 25 \\
  0 &= (x + 2)^2 - 25 \\
  25 &= (x + 2)^2 \\
  \sqrt{25} &= \sqrt{(x + 2)^2} \\
  \pm 5 &= x + 2 \\
  -2 &\pm 5 = x \\
  -7 \text{ and } 3 &= x
\end{align*}
\]

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A.SSE.A.2: Factor Polynomials

POLYNOMIALS AND QUADRATICS
A.SSE.A.2: Factor Polynomials

A. Interpret the structure of expressions.

2. Use the structure of an expression to identify ways to rewrite it. For example, see \(x^4 - y^4\) as \((x^2)^2 - (y^2)^2\), thus recognizing it as a difference of squares that can be factored as \((x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)\) (linear, exponential, quadratic). Does not include factoring by grouping and factoring the sum and difference of cubes.

Big Idea:
Factoring polynomials is one of four general methods taught in the Regents mathematics curriculum for finding the roots of a quadratic equation. The other three methods are the quadratic formula, completing the square and graphing.

- The roots of a quadratic equation can found using the factoring method when the discriminant’s value is equal to either zero or a perfect square.

Factoring Monomials:
\[
204x^2 = 2(102x^2) = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot (51x^2) = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3(17x^2) = 2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 17 \cdot x^2
\]

Factoring Binomials: NOTE: This is the inverse of the distributive property.
\[
3(x + 2) = 3x + 6
\]
\[
2x^2 + 6x = 2x(x + 3)
\]

Special Case: Factoring the Difference of Perfect Squares.

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<td>((a^2 - b^2) = (a + b)(a - b))</td>
<td>(x^2 - 4 = (x + 2)(x - 2))</td>
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<td>(x^4 - 9 = (x^2 + 3)(x^2 - 3))</td>
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Factoring Trinomials.
Given a trinomial in the form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ whose discriminant equals zero or a perfect square, it may be factored as follows:

**STEP 1.** The product of these two numbers must equal $c$.

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0 = (\square x \underline{\square})(\square x \underline{\square})$$

**STEP 2.** The signs of these two numbers are determined by the signs of $b$ and $c$.

**STEP 3.** The product of the outer numbers plus the product of the inner numbers must sum to $b$.

Inners

Outers

**Modeling:**

$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = (x-2)(x-3)$$
$$2x^2 - 8x + 6 = (2x-2)(x-3)$$
$$4x^2 - 10x + 6 = (2x-2)(2x-3)$$

**Turning Factors into Roots, Solutions, and Zeros.** Students frequently do not understand why each factor of a binomial or trinomial can be set to equal zero, thus leading to the roots of the equation. Recall that the standard form of a quadratic equation is $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ and only the left side of the equation is factored. Thus, the left side of the equation equals zero.

For all numbers $a \cdot 0 = 0$

and if $a \cdot b = 0$  \(b \neq 0\)  \(\text{NOTE: substitute any two factors}\)

Therefore $a = 0$
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. Factor the expression $x^4 + 6x^2 - 7$ completely.

2. When factored completely, $x^3 - 13x^2 - 30x$ is
   a. $x(x + 3)(x - 10)$  
   b. $x(x - 3)(x - 10)$  
   c. $x(x + 2)(x - 15)$  
   d. $x(x - 2)(x + 15)$

3. When factored completely, the expression $p^4 - 81$ is equivalent to
   a. $(p^2 + 9)(p^2 - 9)$  
   b. $(p^2 - 9)(p^2 - 9)$  
   c. $(p^2 + 9)(p + 3)(p - 3)$  
   d. $(p + 3)(p - 3)(p + 3)(p - 3)$
4. If the area of a rectangle is expressed as $x^4 - 9y^2$, then the product of the length and the width of the rectangle could be expressed as
   a. $(x - 3y)(x + 3y)$
   b. $(x^2 - 3y)(x^2 + 3y)$
   c. $(x^2 - 3y)(x^2 - 3y)$
   d. $(x^4 + y)(x - 9y)$

5. Which expression is equivalent to $36x^2 - 100$?
   a. $4(3x - 5)(3x - 5)$
   b. $4(3x + 5)(3x - 5)$
   c. $2(9x - 25)(9x - 25)$
   d. $2(9x + 5)(9x - 25)$

6. Four expressions are shown below.
   I  $2(2x^2 - 2x - 60)$
   II $4(x^2 - x - 30)$
   III $4(x + 6)(x - 5)$
   IV $4x(x - 1) - 120$
   The expression $4x^2 - 4x - 120$ is equivalent to
   a. I and II, only
   b. II and IV, only
   c. I, II, and IV
   d. II, III, and IV
A.SSE.A.2: Factor Polynomials

Answer Section

1. ANS: \((x^2 + 7)(x + 1)(x - 1)\)

   Strategy: Factor the trinomial, then factor the perfect square.

   STEP 1. Factor the trinomial \(x^4 + 6x^2 - 7\).
   \[
   x^4 + 6x^2 - 7 = \left(x^2 + \_\_\right)\left(x^2 - \_\_\right)
   \]
   The factors of 7 are 1 and 7.
   \[
   \left(x^2 + 7\right)(x^2 - 1)
   \]

   STEP 2. Factor the perfect square.
   \[
   \left(x^2 + 7\right)(x^2 - 1) = \left(x^2 + 7\right)(x + 1)(x - 1)
   \]

2. ANS: C

   \[
   x^3 - 13x^2 - 30x
   \]
   \[
   x(x^2 - 13x - 30)
   \]
   \[
   x(x + 2)(x - 15)
   \]

3. ANS: C

   Strategy: Use difference of perfect squares.

   STEP 1. Factor \(p^4 - 81\)
   \[
   p^4 - 81 = \left(p^2 + 9\right)\left(p^2 - 9\right)
   \]

   STEP 2. Factor \(p^2 - 9\)
   \[
   \left(p^2 + 9\right)\left(p^2 - 9\right) = \left(p^2 + 9\right)\left(p + 3\right)\left(p - 3\right)
   \]
4. ANS: B
Strategy: Use the distributive property to work backwards from the answer choices.

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<th>d. ((x^4 + y)(x - 9y))</th>
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<td>(x^5 - 9x^4y + xy - 9y^2)</td>
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5. ANS: B

Strategy 1.
Recognize that the expression \(36x^2 - 100\) is a difference of perfect squares. Therefore,
\[
36x^2 - 100 = (6x + 10)(6x - 10)
\]
Since this is not an answer choice, continue factoring, as follows:
\[
(6x + 10)(6x - 10) = (2(3x + 5))(2(3x - 5))
\]
\[
4(3x + 5)(3x - 5)
\]

Strategy 2.
Examine the answer choices, which begin with factors 4 and 2. Extract these factors first, as follows:

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6. **ANS: C**

Strategy: Use the distributive property to expand each expression, then match the expanded expressions to the answer choices.

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Answer choice c is correct.

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A.SSE.B.3a: Transform Quadratics by Factoring

POLYNOMIALS AND QUADRATICS

A.SSE.B.3a: Transform Quadratics by Factoring

B. Write expressions in equivalent forms to solve problems.

3. Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression.

a. Factor a quadratic expression to reveal the zeros of the function it defines. Includes trinomials with leading coefficients other than 1.

BIG IDEA #1

Formulas can be modified by substituting equivalent terms and expressions. The primary benefit is to simplify a complex formula so that it can be solved more easily.

Example:

| The quadratic equation $25x^2 + 30x - 7 = 0$ can be transformed and solved as a simpler equation. Note that the first two terms have a common factor of $5x$. Let $x = 5a$. | $25a^2 + 30a - 7 = 0$ 
let $x = 5a$  
$x^2 + 6x - 7 = 0$ 
$(x + 7)(x - 1) = 0$  
x = $-7$ and $x = 1$ |
|---|---|
| Since $x = 5a$, we can reverse the substitution for $x$ and write. | $5a = -7$ and $5a = 1$  
a = $\frac{-7}{5}$  
a = $\frac{1}{5}$ |

These solutions can be checked by substituting them into the original quadratic equation.
### BIG IDEA #2: Factoring by Grouping

1. Start with a factorable trinomial:
   \[12x^2 + 23x + 10\]
   
   \[b^2 - 4ac\]
   
   \[(23)^2 - 4(12)(10) = 49\]
   
   49 is a perfect square

2. Identify the values of \(a\), \(b\), and \(c\)
   \[a=12\]
   \[b=23\]
   \[c=10\]

3. Multiply \(a\) times \(c\).
   \[ac=120\]
   \[|ac|=120\]

4. Find the factors of \(|ac|\)

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5. Box the set of factors in step 4 whose sum or difference equals \(|b|\)

6. Assign a positive or negative value to each factor. Write the signed factors below.
   \[+ 8 + 15 = 23\]
   \[b\]

7. Replace the middle term of the trinomial with two new terms.
   \[12x^2 + 8x + 15x + 10\]

8. Group the new polynomial into two binomials using parentheses.
   \[(12x^2 + 8x) + (15x + 10)\]

9. Factor each binomial. (Note that the factors in parenthesis will always be identical.)
   \[4x(3x + 2) + (15x + 10)\]
   \[4x(3x + 2) + (? ? 3x + 2)\]
   \[4x(3x + 2) + 5(3x + 2)\]

10. Extract the common factor and add the remaining terms as a second factor.
    \[(3x + 2)\]
    \[(3x + 2)(4x + 5)\]

11. Check. Use the distributive property of multiplication to make sure that your binomials in Step 10 return you to the trinomial that you started with in Step 1. If so, put a check mark here.
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A.SSE.B.3a: Transform Quadratics by Factoring

Answer Section

1. ANS:
   Use Janice’s procedure to solve for X.
   Line 4 $B = -3$ and $B = 1$
   Line 5 Therefore:
   
   $8x = -3$ and $8x = 1$
   
   $x = \frac{3}{8}$ \hspace{1cm} x = \frac{1}{8}$

   Explain the method Janice used to solve the quadratic formula.

   Janice made the problem easier by substituting $B$ for $8x$, then solving for $B$. After solving for $B$, she reversed her substitution and solved for $x$.

   Check:

   \[
   x = \frac{3}{8} \\
   0 = 64x^2 + 16x - 3
   \]

   \[
   x = \frac{1}{8} \\
   0 = 64x^2 + 16x - 3
   \]

   PTS: 4    REF: 081636ai    NAT: A.SSE.B.3a
2. **ANS: D**  
   Strategy 1: Factor by grouping.
   
   \[ 2x^2 + x - 3 = 0 \]
   
   \[ |ac| = 6 \]
   
   Factors of 6 are
   
   1 and 6
   
   2 and 3 (use these)
   
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   \[ (2x^2 + 3x) - (2x + 3) = 0 \]
   
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PTS: 2  
REF: 011503ai  
NAT: A.SSE.B.3  
TOP: Solving Quadratics
3. ANS: A
   Strategy #1: Solve by factoring:
   \[
   f(x) = 2x^2 - 4x - 6
   \]
   \[
   0 = 2x^2 - 4x - 6
   \]
   \[
   0 = 2(x^2 - 2x - 3)
   \]
   \[
   0 = 2(x - 3)(x + 1)
   \]
   \[
   x = 3 \text{ and } x = -1
   \]
   Strategy #2: Solve by inputing equation into graphing calculator, the use the graph and table views to identify the zeros of the function.

   The graph and table views show the zeros to be at -1 and 3.

   PTS: 2  REF: 011609ai  NAT: A.SSE.B.3  TOP: Solving Quadratics
   KEY: zeros of polynomials

4. ANS: A
   Strategy: Transform \( f(x) = x^2 - 12x + 7 \) into the form of \( f(x) = (x - a)^2 + b \) and find the value of \( a \).
   \[
   x^2 - 12x + 7 = f(x)
   \]
   \[
   x^2 - 12x + 7 = 0
   \]
   \[
   x^2 - 12x = -7
   \]
   \[
   x^2 - 12x + \left(\frac{-12}{2}\right)^2 = -7 + \left(\frac{-12}{2}\right)^2
   \]
   \[
   x^2 - 12x + (-6)^2 = -7 + (-6)^2
   \]
   \[
   (x - 6)^2 = -7 + 36
   \]
   \[
   (x - 6)^2 = +29
   \]
   \[
   (x - 6)^2 - 29 = 0
   \]
   \[
   f(x) = (x - 6)^2 - 29
   \]
   If \(-a = -6\), then \(a = 6\).

   PTS: 2  REF: 081520ai  NAT: A.SSE.B.3  TOP: Solving Quadratics
   KEY: completing the square
5. **ANS: B**

Strategy #1. Recognize that the function \( f(x) = (x - 2)^2 + 4 \) is expressed in vertex form, and that the vertex is located at \((2,4)\). Accordingly, the minimum value of \( f(x) \) occurs when \( x = 2 \).

Strategy #2: Input the function rule in a graphing calculator, then examine the graph and tabler views to determine the vertex. The problem wants to know the \( x \) value of when \( f(x) \) is at its minimum.

\[
\begin{array}{|c|c|}
\hline
x & Y_1 \\
\hline
0 & 13 \\
1 & 18 \\
2 & 24 \\
3 & 13 \\
\hline
\end{array}
\]

The minimum value of \( f(x) = 4 \) when \( x \) is equal to 2.

Strategy #3: Substitute each value of \( x \) into the equation and determine the minimum value of \( f(x) \).
\[ f(x) = (x - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-2) = (-2 - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-2) = (-4)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-2) = 16 + 4 \]
\[ f(-2) = 20 \]

\[ f(2) = (2 - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(2) = (0)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(2) = 4 \]

\[ f(-4) = (-4 - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-4) = (-6)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-4) = 36 + 4 \]
\[ f(-4) = 40 \]

\[ f(4) = (4 - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(4) = (2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(4) = 4 + 4 \]
\[ f(4) = 8 \]

PTS: 2  REF: 011601ai  NAT: A.SSE.B.3  TOP: Vertex Form of a Quadratic  
NOT: NYSED classifies this as A.SSE.3
6. **ANS: C**  
   **Strategy:** Complete the square to transform \( f(x) = 3x^2 + 12x + 11 \) from standard form to vertex form, as follows:  
   \[
   f(x) = 3x^2 + 12x + 11
   \]
   
   \[
   3x^2 + 12x + 11 = f(x)
   \]
   
   \[
   3x^2 + 12x + 11 = 0
   \]
   
   \[
   3x^2 + 12x = -11
   \]
   
   \[
   \frac{3x^2}{3} + \frac{12x}{3} = \frac{-11}{3}
   \]
   
   \[
   x^2 + 4x = \frac{-11}{3}
   \]
   
   \[
   x^2 + 4x + (2)^2 = \frac{-11}{3} + (2)^2
   \]
   
   \[
   (x + 2)^2 = \frac{-11}{3} + 4
   \]
   
   \[
   (x + 2)^2 = \frac{1}{3}
   \]
   
   \[
   3(x + 2)^2 = 3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)
   \]
   
   \[
   3(x + 2)^2 = 1
   \]
   
   \[
   3(x + 2)^2 - 1 = 0
   \]
   
   \[
   3(x + 2)^2 - 1 = f(x)
   \]
   
   \[
   f(x) = 3(x + 2)^2 - 1
   \]

   **PTS: 2**  
   **REF: 081621ai**  
   **NAT: A.SSE.B.3**  
   **TOP: Families of Functions**

7. **ANS: C**  
   **Strategy:** Convert the zeros to factors.  
   
   If the zeros of \( f(x) \) are \(-6\) and \(5\), then the factors of \( f(x) \) are \((x + 6)\) and \((x - 5)\).  
   Therefore, the function can be written as \( f(x) = (x + 6)(x - 5) \).  
   The correct answer choice is \(c\).  

   **PTS: 2**  
   **REF: 061412ai**  
   **NAT: A.SSE.B.3**  
   **TOP: Solving Quadratics**
8. **ANS: D**
   
   **Strategy:** If sunflower’s height is modelled using a table, then the three formulas can be tested to see which one(s) produce results that agree with the table.

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   Formula I, \(f(n) = 2n + 3\), is an explicit formula that *agrees* with the table.

   Formula II is an explicit formula that *does not agree* with the table.

   Formula III, \(f(n) = f(n - 1) + 2\) where \(f(0) = 3\), is a recursive formula that agrees with the table.

   **PTS: 2**  REF: 061421ai  NAT: A.SSE.B.3  TOP: Sequences
A.SSE.B.3b: Transform Quadratics by Completing the Square

POLYNOMIALS AND QUADRATICS
A.SSE.B.3b: Transform Quadratics by Completing the Square

B. Write expressions in equivalent forms to solve problems.
3. Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression.
b. Complete the square in a quadratic expression to reveal the max and min value of the function it defines.

**BIG IDEA: Completing the Square**

**TO FIND THE ZEROS AND/OR EXTREMES OF A QUADRATIC**

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### Example of Completing the Square

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Steps 1, 2, and 3 are identical, whether you are finding the vertex or the roots. Steps 4a and 4b on the next page diverge.
### Example of Completing the Square (Continued)

| STEP 4a) | (To Find the Roots)  
Take the square roots of both sides of the equation and simplify. | \((x + 1)^2 = 2\)  
\[\sqrt{(x + 1)^2} = \sqrt{2}\]  
\[x + 1 = \pm \sqrt{2}\]  
\[x = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}\] | \(\sqrt{\left(x + \frac{1}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{6}{25}}\)  
\[x + \frac{1}{5} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{5}\]  
\[x = -\frac{1}{5} \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{5} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{6}}{5}\] |

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Multiply both sides of the equation by \(a\).  
Move all terms to left side of equation.  
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The number not in parentheses is the \(y\)-value of the vertex. | \(1(x + 1)^2 = 1(2)\)  
\[(x + 1)^2 = 2\]  
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-1 is the axis of symmetry  
-2 is the \(y\)-value of the vertex  
The vertex is at \((-1, -2)\)  
\[(x + 1)^2 = 2\] | \(5\left(x + \frac{1}{5}\right)^2 = 5\left(\frac{6}{25}\right)\)  
\[5\left(x + \frac{1}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{6}{5}\]  
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-\(\frac{1}{5}\) is the axis of symmetry  
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A.SSE.B.3b: Transform Quadratics by Completing the Square
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PTS: 2  REF: 011503ai  NAT: A.SSE.B  TOP: Solving Quadratics
2. ANS: A
Strategy #1: Solve by factoring:

\[ f(x) = 2x^2 - 4x - 6 \]

\[ 0 = 2x^2 - 4x - 6 \]

\[ 0 = 2(x^2 - 2x - 3) \]

\[ 0 = 2(x - 3)(x + 1) \]

\[ x = 3 \text{ and } x = -1 \]

Strategy #2: Solve by inputing equation into graphing calculator, the use the graph and table views to identify the zeros of the function.

![Graph and Table Views](image)

The graph and table views show the zeros to be at -1 and 3.

PTS: 2 RE: 011609ai NAT: A.SSE.B.3 TOP: Solving Quadratics
KEY: zeros of polynomials

3. ANS: A
Strategy: Transform \( f(x) = x^2 - 12x + 7 \) into the form of \( f(x) = (x - a)^2 + b \) and find the value of \( a \).

\[ x^2 - 12x + 7 = f(x) \]

\[ x^2 - 12x + 7 = 0 \]

\[ x^2 - 12x = -7 \]

\[ x^2 - 12x + \left(\frac{-12}{2}\right)^2 = -7 + \left(\frac{-12}{2}\right)^2 \]

\[ x^2 - 12x + (-6)^2 = -7 + (-6)^2 \]

\[ (x - 6)^2 = -7 + 36 \]

\[ (x - 6)^2 = +29 \]

\[ (x - 6)^2 - 29 = 0 \]

\[ f(x) = (x - 6)^2 - 29 \]

If \(-a = -6\), then \(a = 6\).

PTS: 2 RE: 081520ai NAT: A.SSE.B.3 TOP: Solving Quadratics
KEY: completing the square
4. **ANS: B**

   Strategy #1. Recognize that the function \( f(x) = (x - 2)^2 + 4 \) is expressed in vertex form, and that the vertex is located at \((2,4)\). Accordingly, the minimum value of \( f(x) \) occurs when \( x = 2 \).

   Strategy #2: Input the function rule in a graphing calculator, then examine the graph and tabler views to determine the vertex. The problem wants to know the value of the when \( f(x) \) is at its minimum.

   ![Graph](image)

   The minimum value of \( f(x) = 4 \) when \( x \) is equal to 2.

   Strategy #3: Substitute each value of \( x \) into the equation and determine the minimum value of \( f(x) \).
\[ f(x) = (x - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-2) = (-2 - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-2) = (-4)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-2) = 16 + 4 \]
\[ f(-2) = 20 \]

\[ f(2) = (2 - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(2) = (0)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(2) = 4 \]

\[ f(-4) = (-4 - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-4) = (-6)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(-4) = 36 + 4 \]
\[ f(-4) = 40 \]

\[ f(4) = (4 - 2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(4) = (2)^2 + 4 \]
\[ f(4) = 4 + 4 \]
\[ f(4) = 8 \]

PTS: 2

REF: 011601ai
NAT: A.SSE.B.3
TOP: Vertex Form of a Quadratic

NOT: NYSED classifies this as A.SSE.3
5. **ANS: C**

**Strategy:** Complete the square to transform \( f(x) = 3x^2 + 12x + 11 \) from standard form to vertex form, as follows:

\[
3x^2 + 12x + 11 = f(x)
\]

\[
3x^2 + 12x + 11 = 0
\]

\[
3x^2 + 12x = -11
\]

\[
\frac{3x^2}{3} + \frac{12x}{3} = \frac{-11}{3}
\]

\[
x^2 + 4x = \frac{-11}{3}
\]

\[
x^2 + 4x + (2)^2 = \frac{-11}{3} + (2)^2
\]

\[
(x + 2)^2 = \frac{-11}{3} + 4
\]

\[
(x + 2)^2 = \frac{1}{3}
\]

\[
3(x + 2)^2 = 3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)
\]

\[
3(x + 2)^2 = 1
\]

\[
3(x + 2)^2 - 1 = 0
\]

\[
3(x + 2)^2 - 1 = f(x)
\]

\[
f(x) = 3(x + 2)^2 - 1
\]
6. ANS:
   Use Janice’s procedure to solve for X.
   Line 4  $B = -3$ and $B = 1$
   Line 5  Therefore:  
   8x = -3 and 8x = 1
   $x = \frac{3}{8}$  \hspace{1cm} x = \frac{1}{8}

   Explain the method Janice used to solve the quadratic formula.

   Janice made the problem easier by substituting B for 8x, then solving for B. After solving for B, she reversed her substitution and solved for x.

   Check:

   $x = \frac{3}{8}$
   $0 = 64x^2 + 16x - 3$
   
   $x = \frac{1}{8}$
   $0 = 64x^2 + 16x - 3$

7. ANS: C
   Strategy: Convert the zeros to factors.

   If the zeros of $f(x)$ are $-6$ and 5, then the factors of $f(x)$ are $(x + 6)$ and $(x - 5)$.
   Therefore, the function can be written as $f(x) = (x + 6)(x - 5)$.
   The correct answer choice is c.
Strategy: If sunflower’s height is modelled using a table, then the three formulas can be tested to see which one(s) produce results that agree with the table.

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Formula I, $f(n) = 2n + 3$, is an explicit formula that agrees with the table.
Formula II is an explicit formula that does not agree with the table.
Formula III, $f(n) = f(n-1) + 2$ where $f(0) = 3$, is a recursive formula that agrees with the table.

PTS: 2
REF: 061421ai
NAT: F.IF.A.3
TOP: Sequences
F.IF.C.8: Identify Characteristics of Quadratics

POLYNOMIALS AND QUADRATICS

F.IF.C.8: Identify Characteristics of Parabolas by Completing the Square

C. Analyze functions using different representations.
8. Write a function defined by an expression in different but equivalent forms to reveal and explain different properties of the function.
a. Use the process of factoring and completing the square in a quadratic function to show zeros, extreme values, and symmetry of the graph, and interpret these in terms of a context.

BIG IDEAS

Completing the Square is an efficient method to find the zeros, vertex, and axis of symmetry of a parabola.

The graph of a quadratic equation is called a **parabola**.

- The vertex form of a quadratic function is given by
  \[a(x - h)^2 + k = 0, \text{ where } (h,k)\]
  is the vertex of the parabola and \(x = h\) is the axis of symmetry.
- The x-value of the point where a parabola touches the x-axis is called:
  - Root
  - Zero
  - Solution
  - X-axis intercept
- Completing the square can be used to find the zeros of a quadratic.
EXEMPLAR OF FINDING THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A PARABOLA

Find the axis of symmetry, vertex, and zeros of \(4x^2 - 12x = 7\)

**STEP 1**

\[4x^2 - 12x = 7\]

\[x^2 - 3x = \frac{7}{4}\]

**STEP 2**

\[x^2 - 3x = \frac{7}{4}\]

\[x^2 - 3x + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{7}{4} + \frac{9}{4}\]

\[x^2 - 3x + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{16}{4}\]

**STEP 3**

\[\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{16}{4}\]

**STEP 4a** (solving for zeros)

\[\sqrt{\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{16}{4}}\]

\[x - \frac{3}{2} = \pm 2\]

\[x = \frac{3}{2} \pm 2\]

\[x = \left\{-\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } 3 \frac{1}{2}\right\}\]

Solutions are \(\frac{1}{2}\) and \(3 \frac{1}{2}\)

**STEP 4b** (solving for axis of symmetry & extreme)

\[4\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = 4\left(\frac{16}{4}\right)\]

\[4\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = 16\]

\[4\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - 16 = 0\]

axis of symmetry is \(\frac{3}{2}\)

vertex is \(\left\{\frac{3}{2}, -16\right\}\)
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. a) Given the function \( f(x) = -x^2 + 8x + 9 \), state whether the vertex represents a maximum or minimum point for the function. Explain your answer.
   b) Rewrite \( f(x) \) in vertex form by completing the square.

2. Which equation and ordered pair represent the correct vertex form and vertex for \( j(x) = x^2 - 12x + 7 \)?
   a. \( j(x) = (x - 6)^2 + 43, (6, 43) \)
   b. \( j(x) = (x - 6)^2 + 43, (-6, 43) \)
   c. \( j(x) = (x - 6)^2 - 29, (6, -29) \)
   d. \( j(x) = (x - 6)^2 - 29, (-6, -29) \)
F.IF.C.8: Identify Characteristics of Quadratics

Answer Section

1. ANS:
   a) The vertex represents a maximum since \( a < 0 \).
   b) \( f(x) = -(x - 4)^2 + 25 \)

\[
f(x) = -x^2 + 8x + 9 \]
\[
-x^2 + 8x + 9 = 0
\]
(set \( f(x) \) to 0)

\[
\begin{align*}
-x^2 + 8x &= -9 \\
-1 \cdot x^2 + 8x &= -9 \\
x^2 - 8x &= 9
\end{align*}
\]
(isolate both variables with 1 as coefficient of leading variable)

\[
\begin{align*}
x^2 - 8x + (4)^2 &= 9 + (4)^2 \\
(x - 4)^2 &= 9 + 16 \\
(x - 4)^2 &= 25
\end{align*}
\]
(complete the square)

\[
\begin{align*}
-1(x - 4)^2 &= -1(25) \\
-1(x - 4)^2 + 25 &= 0
\end{align*}
\]
(multiply by a)

The vertex is at (4,25), but this information is not required by the problem.

PTS: 4     REF: 011536ai     NAT: F.IF.C.8     TOP: Graphing Quadratic Functions
2. ANS: C

Step 1. Understand from the answer choices that the problem wants us to choose the answer that is equivalent to $j(x) = x^2 - 12x + 7$.

Step 2. Strategy: Input $j(x) = x^2 - 12x + 7$ in a graphing calculator and inspect the table and graph views of the function, then eliminate wrong answers.

Step 3. Execute the strategy.

Choice c) is correct because it is the only answer choice that shows the vertex at (6, -29).

Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. You can see that $j(x) = x^2 - 12x + 7$ and $j(x) = (x - 6)^2 - 29$, (6, -29) are the same function by inputting both in a graphing calculator.
A.REI.B.4: Use Appropriate Strategies to Solve Quadratics

POLYNOMIALS AND QUADRATICS

A.REI.B.4: Use Appropriate Strategies to Solve Quadratics

B. Solve equations and inequalities in one variable.
4. Solve quadratic equations in one variable.
   a. Use the method of completing the square to transform any quadratic equation in $x$ into an equation of the form $(x - p)^2 = q$ that has the same solutions. Derive the quadratic formula from this form.
   b. Solve quadratic equations by inspection (e.g., for $x^2 = 49$), taking square roots, completing the square, the quadratic formula and factoring, as appropriate to the initial form of the equation.

VOCABULARY

Standard Form of a Quadratic: $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

Vertex Form of a Quadratic: $f(x) = a(x - h)^2 + k$, where $(h,k)$ is the vertex of the parabola.

Quadratic Formula: $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

BIG IDEAS

Completing the square and the quadratic formula can be used to solve any quadratic.

The quadratic formula is derived from the standard form of a quadratic by completing the square.
Derivation of the Quadratic Formula Given \( ax^2 + bx + c = 0 \)

**STEP 1. Isolate the variables**

\[
ax^2 + bx + c = 0 \\
ax^2 + bx = -c \\
\frac{ax^2}{a} + \frac{bx}{a} = \frac{-c}{a} \\
x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x = \frac{-c}{a}
\]

**STEP 2. Complete the Square**

\[
x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{-c}{a} + \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2
\]

**STEP 3. Factor the trinomial.**

\[
\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{-c}{a} + \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2
\]

\[
\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{-c}{a} + \frac{b^2}{4a^2}
\]

\[
\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{4a}{4a} \cdot \frac{-c}{a} + \frac{b^2}{4a^2}
\]

\[
\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{-4ac}{4a^2} + \frac{b^2}{4a^2}
\]

\[
\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}
\]

**STEP 4. Take the square roots of both expressions.**

\[
\sqrt{\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}}
\]

\[
x + \frac{b}{2a} = \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}
\]

\[
x = \frac{b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}
\]

\[
x = -\frac{b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}
\]
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. Solve the equation $4x^2 - 12x = 7$ algebraically for $x$. 

2. A student was given the equation $x^2 + 6x - 13 = 0$ to solve by completing the square. The first step that was written is shown below.

   \[ x^2 + 6x = 13 \]

   The next step in the student’s process was $x^2 + 6x + c = 13 + c$. State the value of $c$ that creates a perfect square trinomial. Explain how the value of $c$ is determined.

3. Which equation has the same solutions as $x^2 + 6x - 7 = 0$?
   
   a. $(x + 3)^2 = 2$
   
   b. $(x - 3)^2 = 2$
   
   c. $(x - 3)^2 = 16$
   
   d. $(x + 3)^2 = 16$

4. Find the zeros of $f(x) = (x - 3)^2 - 49$, algebraically.

5. If $4x^2 - 100 = 0$, the roots of the equation are
   
   a. $-25$ and $25$
   
   b. $-25$, only
   
   c. $-5$ and $5$
   
   d. $-5$, only
6. When directed to solve a quadratic equation by completing the square, Sam arrived at the equation \( \left( x - \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{13}{4} \).

Which equation could have been the original equation given to Sam?

a. \( x^2 + 5x + 7 = 0 \)  
   b. \( x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0 \)

   c. \( x^2 - 5x + 7 = 0 \)  
   d. \( x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0 \)

7. What are the solutions to the equation \( x^2 - 8x = 24 \)?

a. \( x = 4 \pm 2\sqrt{10} \)  
   b. \( x = -4 \pm 2\sqrt{10} \)

   c. \( x = 4 \pm 2\sqrt{2} \)  
   d. \( x = -4 \pm 2\sqrt{2} \)

8. Write an equation that defines \( m(x) \) as a trinomial where \( m(x) = (3x - 1)(3 - x) + 4x^2 + 19 \). Solve for \( x \) when \( m(x) = 0 \).

9. Solve the equation for \( y \): \( (y - 3)^2 = 4y - 12 \)

10. What is the solution of the equation \( 2(x + 2)^2 - 4 = 28 \)?

   a. 6, only  
   b. 2, only

   c. 2 and -6  
   d. 6 and -2
11. Amy solved the equation $2x^2 + 5x - 42 = 0$. She stated that the solutions to the equation were $\frac{7}{2}$ and $-6$. Do you agree with Amy's solutions? Explain why or why not.

12. Fred's teacher gave the class the quadratic function $f(x) = 4x^2 + 16x + 9$.
   a) State two different methods Fred could use to solve the equation $f(x) = 0$.
   b) Using one of the methods stated in part a, solve $f(x) = 0$ for $x$, to the nearest tenth.
A.REI.B.4: Use Appropriate Strategies to Solve Quadratics

Answer Section

1. ANS:
   Strategy 1: Solve using factoring by grouping.
   \[4x^2 - 12x = 7\]
   \[4x^2 - 12x - 7 = 0\]
   \[|ac| = 28\]
   
   The factors of 28 are
   1 and 28
   2 and 14 (use these)

   \[4x^2 - 14x + 2x - 7 = 0\]
   \[\left(4x^2 - 14x\right) + (2x - 7) = 0\]
   \[2x(2x - 7) + 1(2x - 7) = 0\]
   \[(2x + 1)(2x - 7) = 0\]

   \[x = \frac{-1}{2}\]
   \[x = \frac{7}{2}\]

   Strategy 2: Solve by completing the square.
\[ \begin{align*}
4x^2 - 12x &= 7 \\
\frac{4x^2}{4} - \frac{12x}{4} &= \frac{7}{4} \\
x^2 - 3x &= \frac{7}{4} \\
x^2 - 3x + \left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)^2 &= \frac{7}{4} + \left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)^2 \\
\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 &= \frac{7}{4} + \frac{9}{4} \\
\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 &= \frac{16}{4} \\
\sqrt{\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2} &= \sqrt{4} \\
x - \frac{3}{2} &= \pm 2 \\
x &= \frac{3}{2} \pm 2 \\
x &= \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{7}{2}
\end{align*} \]

Strategy 3. Solve using the quadratic formula, where \( a = 4, b = -12, \) and \( c = -7. \)

\[ 
x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\
x = \frac{-(-12) \pm \sqrt{(-12)^2 - 4(4)(-7)}}{2(4)} \\
x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 + 112}}{8} \\
x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{256}}{8} \\
x = \frac{12 \pm 16}{8} \\
x = \frac{3 \pm 4}{2} \\
x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{7}{2}
\]
2. ANS: 

The value of $c$ that creates a perfect square trinomial is $\left(\frac{6}{2}\right)^2$, which is equal to 9.

The value of $c$ is determined by taking half the value of $b$, when $a = 1$, and squaring it. In this problem, $b = 6$, so

$$\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{6}{2}\right)^2 = 9.$$

3. ANS: D

Strategy: Use the distributive property to expand each answer choice, the compare the expanded trinomial to the given equation $x^2 + 6x - 7 = 0$. Equivalent equations expressed in different terms will have the same solutions.

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4. ANS: 
The zeros occur when $x = 10$ and $x = -4$.

\[
f(x) = (x - 3)^2 - 49
\]
\[
0 = (x - 3)^2 - 49
\]
\[
49 = (x - 3)^2
\]
\[
\sqrt{49} = \sqrt{(x - 3)^2}
\]
\[
\pm 7 = x - 3
\]
\[
3 \pm 7 = x
\]
\[
x = 10
\]
\[
x = -4
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PTS: 2 REF: 081631ai NAT: A.REI.B.4

5. ANS: C
Strategy: Solve using root operations.

\[
4x^2 - 100 = 0
\]
\[
4x^2 = 100
\]
\[
x^2 = 25
\]
\[
\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{25}
\]
\[
x = \pm 5
\]

Answer choice c is correct.

PTS: 2 REF: 081403ai NAT: A.REI.B.4 TOP: Solving Quadratics
KEY: taking square roots
6. ANS: D

Strategy: Assume that Sam’s equation is correct, then expand the square in his equation and simplify.

\[ x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0 \]

\[ \left( x - \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{13}{4} \]

\[ \left( x - \frac{5}{2} \right)\left( x - \frac{5}{2} \right) = \frac{13}{4} \]

\[ x^2 - 5x + \frac{25}{4} = \frac{13}{4} \]

\[ x^2 - 5x = \frac{13}{4} - \frac{25}{4} \]

\[ x^2 - 5x = \frac{-12}{4} \]

\[ x^2 - 5x = -3 \]

\[ x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0 \]

PTS: 2      REF: 061518ai      NAT: A.REI.B.4      TOP: Solving Quadratics

KEY: completing the square
7. **ANS:** A

Strategy 1: Use the quadratic equation to solve \( x^2 - 8x = 24 \), where \( a = 1 \), \( b = -8 \), and \( c = -24 \).

\[
x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}
\]

\[
x = \frac{-(8) \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4(1)(-24)}}{2(1)}
\]

\[
x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{160}}{2}
\]

\[
x = \frac{8 \pm 4\sqrt{10}}{2}
\]

\[
x = 4 \pm 2\sqrt{10}
\]

Answer choice \( a \) is correct.

Strategy 2. Solve by completing the square.

\( x^2 - 8x = 24 \)

\( (x - 4)^2 = 24 + (-4)^2 \)

\( (x - 4)^2 = 24 + 16 \)

\( (x - 4)^2 = 40 \)

\( \sqrt{(x - 4)^2} = \sqrt{40} \)

\( x - 4 = \pm 2\sqrt{10} \)

\( x = 4 \pm 2\sqrt{10} \)

Answer choice \( a \) is correct.

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**REF:** 061523ai  
**NAT:** A.REI.B.4  
**TOP:** Solving Quadratics  
**KEY:** completing the square
8. **ANS:**

\[ x = -8 \text{ and } x = -2 \]

**Strategy:** Transform the expression \((3x - 1)(3 - x) + 4x^2 + 19\) to a trinomial, then set the expression equal to 0 and solve it.

**STEP 1.** Transform \((3x - 1)(3 - x) + 4x^2 + 19\) into a trinomial.

\[
(3x - 1)(3 - x) + 4x^2 + 19
\]

\[
= 9x - 3x^2 - 3 + x + 4x^2 + 19
\]

\[
= x^2 + 10x + 16
\]

**STEP 2.** Set the trinomial expression equal to 0 and solve.

\[
x^2 + 10x + 16 = 0
\]

\[
(x + 8)(x + 2) = 0
\]

\[ x = -8 \text{ and } -2 \]

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**REF:** 061433ai  
**NAT:** A.REI.B.4  
**TOP:** Solving Quadratics  
**KEY:** factoring

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9. **ANS:**

The solutions are \(y = 3\) and \(y = 7\).

\[
(y - 3)^2 = 4y - 12
\]

\[
y^2 - 6y + 9 = 4y - 12
\]

\[
y^2 - 10y + 21 = 0
\]

\[
(y - 7)(y - 3) = 0
\]

\[ y - 7 = 0 \]

\[ y = 7 \]

\[ y - 3 = 0 \]

\[ y = 3 \]

**PTS:** 2  
**REF:** 011627ai  
**NAT:** A.REI.B.4  
**TOP:** Solving Quadratics  
**KEY:** factoring
10. **ANS: C**

Step 1. Understand that solving the equation means isolating the value of \( x \).

Step 2. Strategy. Isolate \( x \).

Step 3. Execution of strategy.

\[
2(x + 2)^2 - 4 = 28 \\
2(x + 2)^2 = 28 + 4 \\
2(x + 2)^2 = 32 \\
\frac{2(x + 2)^2}{2} = \frac{32}{2} = 16 \\
(x + 2)^2 = 16 \\
x + 2 = \sqrt{16} \\
x + 2 = \pm 4 \\
x = -2 \pm 4 \\
x = 2 \\
x = -6
\]

Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. The values 2 and -6 satisfy the equation \( 2(x + 2)^2 - 4 = 28 \).

\[
\begin{array}{c|c}
\text{\( x=2 \)} & \text{\( x=-6 \)} \\
\hline
2(x + 2)^2 - 4 = 28 & 2(x + 2)^2 - 4 = 28 \\
2(2 + 2)^2 - 4 = 28 & 2(-6 + 2)^2 - 4 = 28 \\
2(4)^2 - 4 = 28 & 2(-4)^2 - 4 = 28 \\
2(16) - 4 = 28 & 2(16) - 4 = 28 \\
32 - 4 = 28 & 32 - 4 = 28 \\
28 = 28 & 28 = 28 \\
\end{array}
\]
11. **ANS:**
Yes. I agree with Amy’s solution. I get the same solutions by using the quadratic formula.

\[ 2x^2 + 5x - 42 = 0 \]

\[ x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \]

\[ x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(5)^2 - 4(2)(-42)}}{2(2)} \]

\[ x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 336}}{4} \]

\[ x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{361}}{4} \]

\[ x = \frac{-5 \pm 19}{4} \]

\[ x = \frac{14}{4} = \frac{7}{2} \]

\[ x = \frac{-24}{4} = -6 \]

**NOTE:** Acceptable explanations could also be made by: 1) substituting Amy’s solutions into the original equation and showing that both solutions make the equation balance; 2) solving the quadratic by completing the square and getting Amy’s solutions; or 3) solving the quadratic by factoring and getting Amy’s solutions.

**PTS:** 2  **REF:** 061628ai  **NAT:** A.REI.B.4  **TOP:** Solving Quadratics  
**KEY:** factoring  **NOT:** NYSED classifies this as A.REI.A
12. **ANS:**
   a) Quadratic formula and completing the square.

   b) -0.7 and -3.3

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A-REI.C.5: Prove Equivalent Forms of Systems

SYSTEMS

A.REI.C.5: Solve Systems by Elimination

C. Solve systems of equations.
5. Prove that, given a system of two equations in two variables, replacing one equation by the sum of that equation and a multiple of the other produces a system with the same solutions.

Vocabulary:
A term is a number \{1,2,3,...\}, a variable \{x,y,z,a,b,c...\}, or the product of a number and a variable \{2x, 3y, \frac{1}{2} a, etc.\}. Terms are separated by + or – signs in an expression, and the + or – signs are part of each term. (Everything inside parenthesis is treated as one term until the parentheses are removed.)
A variable is a letter that represents an unknown value(s). When we are asked to solve an equation, it usually means that we must isolate the variable and find its value.
A coefficient is a number that comes in front of a variable. A coefficient can be an integer, a decimal, or a fraction. A coefficient multiplies the variable. Every variable has a coefficient. If a variable appears to have no coefficient, it’s coefficient is an “invisible 1”
An expression is a mathematical statement consisting of one or more terms.
An equation is two expressions that have an equal (=) sign between them.
A solution to a system of equations is the set of values for each variable that solve all equations in the system simultaneously (at the same time). A system of equations may have one, two, or more solutions.

BIG IDEA
An equation describes a relationship between its terms and expressions. If every term is multiplied or divided by the same factor, the relationship is unchanged.

Solving Systems by Elimination
Strategy: Multiply or divide one or both equations so that the coefficients of one variable are the same or opposites. Then, eliminate that variable by adding or subtracting both equations. The result is a new equation with one variable instead of two variables.

EXAMPLE #1:

Solve the following system of equations by elimination.

\[4M + 3C = 12.00\]
\[5C + 6M = 19.00\]

STEP #1 Line up the like terms in columns.

\[3C + 4M = 12.00\]
\[5C + 6M = 19.00\]
STEP #2. Multiply or divide one or both equations to ensure that one of the variables has the same or opposite coefficients. In this example, the C variable has a coefficient of 3 in the first equation and a coefficient of 5 in the second equation, so we can make the coefficient of C be 15 in both equations by multiplying the first equation by 5 and the second equation by 3.

\[
\begin{align*}
5(3C + 4M &= 12.50) \rightarrow 15C + 20M = 60.00 \\
3(5C + 6M &= 19.00) \rightarrow 15C + 18M = 57.00
\end{align*}
\]

STEP #3. After ensuring that one of the variables has the same or opposite coefficients, add or subtract the like terms in the two equations to form a third equation, in which the coefficient of one of the variables is zero. In this example, we will subtract the second equation from the first, as follows:

\[
\begin{align*}
15C + 20M &= 60.00 \\
-(15C + 18M &= 57.00)
\end{align*}
\]

\[
2M = 3.00
\]

Note that, after this step, the new equation has only one variable.

STEP #4. Solve the new equation with one variable.

\[
2M = 3.00 \\
M = 1.50
\]

STEP #5. Substitute the value of the known variable into either equation and solve for the second variable.

\[
\begin{align*}
3C + 4M &= 12.00 \\
3C + 4(1.50) &= 12.00 \\
3C + 6.00 &= 12.00 \\
3C &= 6.00 \\
C &= 2.00
\end{align*}
\]

Step #6. Check your answers in both equations:

\[
\begin{align*}
4M + 3C &= 12.00 \\
4(1.50) + 3(2.00) &= 12.00 \\
6.00 + 6.00 &= 12.00 \\
12.00 &= 12.00
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
5C + 6M &= 19.00 \\
5(2.00) + 6(1.50) &= 19 \\
10.00 + 9.00 &= 19.00 \\
19.00 &= 19.00
\end{align*}
\]
Cookie Analogy
A cookie recipe describes a relationship between the different ingredients in the cookies. If the amount of every ingredient is multiplied by the same amount, the relationship between the ingredients will be unchanged and the cookies will taste the same. If you want to make twice the number of cookies, you double the recipe by multiplying everything by two. If you want to make three times the number of cookies, you multiply all the ingredients by three. You can make half the number of cookies by dividing all the ingredients by two. The secret is to multiply or divide everything by the same number. Your cookies will not be very good if you multiply only some of the ingredients and don’t multiply all of the ingredients. The same is true with equations. You can multiply or divide any equation by any number, so long as you multiply or divide every term and expression by the same number, and the relationships between the terms and expressions will be unchanged.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. Albert says that the two systems of equations shown below have the same solutions.

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Determine and state whether you agree with Albert. Justify your answer.
2. Which system of equations has the same solution as the system below?

\[ 2x + 2y = 16 \]
\[ 3x - y = 4 \]

- a. \[ 2x + 2y = 16 \]
  \[ 6x - 2y = 4 \]
- b. \[ 2x + 2y = 16 \]
  \[ 6x - 2y = 8 \]
- c. \[ x + y = 16 \]
  \[ 3x - y = 4 \]
- d. \[ 6x + 6y = 48 \]
  \[ 6x + 2y = 8 \]

3. Which pair of equations could not be used to solve the following equations for \( x \) and \( y \)?

\[ 4x + 2y = 22 \]
\[ -2x + 2y = -8 \]

- a. \[ 4x + 2y = 22 \]
  \[ 2x - 2y = 8 \]
- b. \[ 4x + 2y = 22 \]
  \[ -4x + 4y = -16 \]
- c. \[ 12x + 6y = 66 \]
  \[ 6x - 6y = 24 \]
- d. \[ 8x + 4y = 44 \]
  \[ -8x + 8y = -8 \]
A-REI.C.5: Prove Equivalent Forms of Systems

Answer Section

1. ANS:

Albert is correct. Both systems have the same solution $\left(\frac{-3}{4}, 6\right)$.

Strategy: Solve one system of equations, then test the solution in the second system of equations.

STEP 1. Solve the first system of equations.

$Eq. \ 1 \ 8x + 9y = 48$

$Eq. \ 2 \ 12x + 5y = 21$

Multiply Eq. 1 by 3 and Multiply Eq. 2 by 2.

Then solve for the first variable

$24x + 27y = 144$

$24x + 10y = 42$

$17y = 102$

$y = 6$

Solve for the second variable.

$8x + 9(6) = 48$

$8x = -6$

$x = \frac{-3}{4}$

The solution is $\left(\frac{-3}{4}, 6\right)$

STEP 2: Test the second system of equations using the same solution set.

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DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. The solution $\left(\frac{-3}{4}, 6\right)$ makes both equations balance.

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2. ANS: B

Strategy: Find equivalent forms of the system and eliminate wrong answers.

STEP 1. Eliminate answer choices c and d because the first equation in each system is not a multiple of any equation in the original system.

STEP 2. Eliminate answer choice a because $6x - 2y = 4$ is not a multiple of $3x - y = 4$.

Choose answer choice b as the only remaining choice.

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. Check using the matrix feature of a graphing calculator.

The solution set $(3,5)$ also works for the system in answer choice b.
3. ANS: D

Strategy: Eliminate wrong answers by deciding which systems of equations are made of multiples of the original system of equations and which system is made of equations that are not multiples of the original system of equations.

Choice (a) is a multiple of the original system of equations.

\[
\begin{align*}
4x + 2y &= 22 \\
2x - 2y &= 8
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
4x + 2y &= 22 \\
2x - 2y &= 8
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (4x + 2y &= 22) \\
-1 & (-2x + 2y &= -8)
\end{bmatrix}
\]

Choice (b) is a multiple of the original system of equations.

\[
\begin{align*}
4x + 2y &= 22 \\
-4x + 4y &= -16
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
4x + 2y &= 22 \\
-4x + 4y &= -16
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (4x + 2y &= 22) \\
2 & (-2x + 2y &= -8)
\end{bmatrix}
\]

Choice (c) is a multiple of the original system of equations.

\[
\begin{align*}
12x + 6y &= 66 \\
6x - 6y &= 24
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
12x + 6y &= 66 \\
6x - 6y &= 24
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & (4x + 2y &= 22) \\
-3 & (-2x + 2y &= -8)
\end{bmatrix}
\]

Choice (d) is not a multiple of the original system of equations.

\[
\begin{align*}
8x + 4y &= 44 \\
-8x + 8y &= -8
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
8x + 4y &= 44 \\
-8x + 8y &= -8
\end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 8x + 4y &= 44 \\
-8x + 8y &= -8
\end{bmatrix}
\]
A-REI.C.6: Solve Linear Systems Algebraically and by Graphing

**SYSTEMS**

A.REI.C.6: Solve Linear Systems

C. Solve systems of equations.

6. Solve systems of linear equations exactly and approximately (e.g., with graphs), focusing on pairs of linear equations in two variables.

**Solutions to systems of equations**

Solutions to systems of equations are those values of variables which solve all equations in the system simultaneously (at the same time). A system of equations may have one, two, or more solutions.

**EXAMPLE:** The system

\[
\begin{align*}
2x - y &= 3 \\
x + y &= 3
\end{align*}
\]

has a common solution of \((2,1)\).

When \(x = 2\) and \(y = 1\), both equations balance, which means both equations are true. You can verify this by substituting the values \((2,1)\) into both equations.

\[
2(2) - (1) = 3 \\
4 - 1 = 3 \\
3 = 3 \text{ check}
\]

\[
(2) + (1) = 3 \\
2 + 1 = 3 \\
3 = 3 \text{ check}
\]

You can also verify this by looking at the graphs of both equations.

**STEP #1.** Put both equations into slope intercept form.

\[
\begin{align*}
2x - y &= 3 \\
x + y &= 3 \\
y &= -2x + 3 \\
y &= -x + 3
\end{align*}
\]

**STEP #2.** Graph both equations on the same coordinate plane.

<table>
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<td>3</td>
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You can see that the graphs of the two equations intersect at \((2,1)\) This is the solution for this system of equations.
Elimination Method (See A.REI.C.5)

Substitution Method
Strategy: Find the easiest variable to isolate in either equation, and substitute its equivalent expression into the other equation. This results in a new equation with only one variable.

EXAMPLE:

Solve the system of equations
\[ 3C + 4M = 12.50 \]
\[ 3C + 2M = 8.50 \]
by isolating one variable in one equation and substituting its equivalent expression into the other equation.

STEP #1 Isolate one variable in one equation. Normally, you should pick the equation and the variable that seems easiest to isolate.

\[ Eq.\#1 \]
\[ 3C + 4M = 12.50 \]
\[ 3C = 12.50 - 4M \]
\[ C = \frac{12.50 - 4M}{3} \]

STEP #2. Substitute the equivalent expression for the variable in the other equation.

\[ Eq.\#2 \]
\[ 3 \left( C \right) \left( \frac{12.50 - 4M}{3} \right) + 2M = 8.50 \]
Note that, after the substitution, equation #2 has only one variable.

STEP #3. Solve the other equation with one variable, which in this case is M.

\[ Eq.\#2 \]
\[ 3 \left( \frac{12.50 - 4M}{3} \right) + 2M = 8.50 \]
\[ 1 \left( \frac{12.50 - 4M}{1} \right) + 2M = 8.50 \]
\[ 12.50 - 4M + 2M = 8.50 \]
\[ 12.50 - 8.50 = 4M - 2M \]
\[ 4.00 = 2M \]
\[ \frac{4.00}{2} = M = 2.00 \]
STEP #4. Substitute the value of the variable you found in the first equation and solve for the second variable.

\[ Eq.\#1 \]
\[ 3C + 4(2.00) = 12.50 \]
\[ 3C + 8 = 12.50 \]
\[ 3C = 4.50 \]
\[ C = \frac{4.50}{3} = 1.50 \]

One again, these are the same values you found using the tables method, so you do not have to check them. Normally, you would do a check.

**Graphing Method**

STEP #1.
Put the equations into slope-intercept form (\( Y=mx+b \)) and identify slope (m) and the y-intercept (b).

STEP #2.
Graph both equations on the same coordinate plane. Pick either equation to start.

STEP #3.
Identify the location of the point or points where the two lines intersect. This is the point(s) that makes both equations balance. This is the solution to the system of equations. Write its address on the coordinate plane as an ordered pair, as in (x,y).

STEP #4.
Check your solution by substituting it into the original equations. If both equations balance, you have the correct solution and you are done. If not, find your mistake.

NOTE: Graphing solutions are best performed with the aid of a graphing calculator. Input both equations in the \( Y= \) feature of the TI-83+ and identify the solution in either the graph or table of values views. In the graph view, input

\[ \text{2nd calculate} \rightarrow \text{5.intersection} \rightarrow \text{enter} \rightarrow \text{enter} \rightarrow \text{enter} \]

and the intersection of the two linear equations will appear on the screen.
1. Guy and Jim work at a furniture store. Guy is paid $185 per week plus 3% of his total sales in dollars, \( x \), which can be represented by \( g(x) = 185 + 0.03x \). Jim is paid $275 per week plus 2.5% of his total sales in dollars, \( x \), which can be represented by \( f(x) = 275 + 0.025x \). Determine the value of \( x \), in dollars, that will make their weekly pay the same.

2. The line represented by the equation \( 4y + 2x = 33.6 \) shares a solution point with the line represented by the table below.

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<td>6.4</td>
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The solution for this system is
a. \((-14.0, -1.4)\)

b. \((-6.8, 5.0)\)

c. \((1.9, 4.6)\)

d. \((6.0, 5.4)\)
3. Franco and Caryl went to a bakery to buy desserts. Franco bought 3 packages of cupcakes and 2 packages of brownies for $19. Caryl bought 2 packages of cupcakes and 4 packages of brownies for $24. Let $x$ equal the price of one package of cupcakes and $y$ equal the price of one package of brownies. Write a system of equations that describes the given situation. On the set of axes below, graph the system of equations.

\[
\begin{align*}
3x + 2y &= 19 \\
2x + 4y &= 24
\end{align*}
\]

Determine the exact cost of one package of cupcakes and the exact cost of one package of brownies in dollars and cents. Justify your solution.
A-REI.C.6: Solve Linear Systems Algebraically and by Graphing

Answer Section

1. ANS:
$18,000

Strategy: Set both function equal to one another and solve for $x$.

STEP 1. Set both functions equal to one another.

\[ g(x) = 185 + 0.03x \]
\[ f(x) = 275 + 0.025x \]

\[ 185 + 0.03x = 275 + 0.025x \]
\[ 0.03x - 0.025x = 275 - 185 \]
\[ 0.005x = 90 \]
\[ x = 18,000 \]

PTS: 2  REF: 081427ai  NAT: A.REI.C.6  TOP: Solving Linear Systems
2. ANS: D

Step 1. Understand that this question is asking for the coordinates of the intersection of two different lines: the first line is represented by the equation \(4y + 2x = 33.6\) and the second line is represented by the table.

Step 2. Strategy: a) Identify the function rule for the data in the table; b) transform \(4y + 2x = 33.6\) into \(y = mx + b\) format; and c) input both equations into a graphing calculator to find their intersection.

Step 3. Execution of strategy:

a) Use linear regression to identify an equation for the table.

The table values can be represented by the equation \(y = 0.2x + 4.2\)

b) Transform \(4y + 2x = 33.6\) into \(y = mx + b\) format.

\[
\begin{align*}
4y + 2x &= 33.6 \\
4y &= -2x + 33.6 \\
y &= -\frac{2}{4}x + \frac{33.6}{4}
\end{align*}
\]

c) Input both equations in a graphing calculator.

The lines intersect at (6, 5.4). Choice d) is the correct answer.

PTS: 2         REF: 061618ai         NAT: A.REI.C.6         TOP: Solving Linear Systems
3. ANS:
Step 1. Write two equations.

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Step 2. Input both equations in a graphing calculator, then complete the graph.

Determine the exact cost of one package of cupcakes and the exact cost of one package of brownies in dollars and cents. Justify your solution.
Cupcakes
\[ y = \frac{-3x + 19}{2} \quad y = \frac{-2x + 24}{4} \]
\[ \frac{-3x + 19}{2} = \frac{-2x + 24}{4} \]
\[ 4(-3x + 19) = 2(-2x + 24) \]
\[ -12x + 76 = -4x + 48 \]
\[ 76 - 48 = 12x - 4x \]
\[ 28 = 8x \]
\[ 3.5 = x \]

A package of cupcakes costs $3.50.

Brownies
\[ y = \frac{-2x + 24}{4} \]
\[ y = \frac{-2(3.5) + 24}{4} \]
\[ y = \frac{-7 + 24}{4} \]
\[ y = \frac{17}{4} \]
\[ y = 4.25 \]

A package of brownies costs $4.25

Check by inserting both values in both equations.

Franco
\[ 3C + 2B = 19 \]
\[ 3(3.50) + 2(4.25) = 19 \]
\[ 10.50 + 8.50 = 19 \]
\[ 19 = 19 \]

Caryl
\[ 2C + 4B = 24 \]
\[ 2(3.50) + 4(4.25) = 24 \]
\[ 7.00 + 17.00 = 24 \]
\[ 24 = 24 \]
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SOLVE QUADRATIC-LINEAR SYSTEMS
C. Solve systems of equations.
7. Solve a simple system consisting of a linear equation and a quadratic equation in two variables algebraically and graphically. For example, find the points of intersection between the line $y = -3x$ and the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 9$ (includes exponential-linear systems).

Vocabulary

Solutions to systems of equations
Solutions to systems of equations are those values of variables which solve all equations in the system simultaneously (at the same time). A system of equations may have one, two, or more solutions.

BIG IDEA
Quadratic-linear systems are solved the same way as systems of linear equations.

REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. A company is considering building a manufacturing plant. They determine the weekly production cost at site $A$ to be $A(x) = 3x^2$ while the production cost at site $B$ is $B(x) = 8x + 3$, where $x$ represents the number of products, in hundreds, and $A(x)$ and $B(x)$ are the production costs, in hundreds of dollars. Graph the production cost functions on the set of axes below and label them site $A$ and site $B$.

State the positive value(s) of $x$ for which the production costs at the two sites are equal. Explain how you determined your answer. If the company plans on manufacturing 200 products per week, which site should they use? Justify your answer.
2. Let \( f(x) = -2x^2 \) and \( g(x) = 2x - 4 \). On the set of axes below, draw the graphs of \( y = f(x) \) and \( y = g(x) \).

Using this graph, determine and state all values of \( x \) for which \( f(x) = g(x) \).
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Answer Section

1. ANS:

b) The graphs of the production costs are equal when $x = 3$.

c) The company should use Site $A$, because the costs of Site $A$ are lower when $x = 2$.

Strategy: Input both functions into a graphing calculator and use the table and graph views to construct the graph on paper and to answer the question.
2. ANS:

b) $f(x) = g(x)$ when $x = -2$ and $x = 1$.

Strategy: Input both functions into a graphing calculator and use the table and graph views to construct the graph on paper and to answer the question.
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D. Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.

11. Explain why the x-coordinates of the points where the graphs of the equations \( y = f(x) \) and \( y = g(x) \) intersect are the solutions of the equation \( f(x) = g(x) \); find the solutions approximately, e.g., using technology to graph the functions, make tables of values, or find successive approximations. Include cases where \( f(x) \) and/or \( g(x) \) are linear, polynomial, rational, absolute value, exponential, and logarithmic functions.

BIG IDEAS

A solution of a system of equations makes each equation in the system true. Solutions can be found using three different views of a function.

Example: If \( f(x) = -x + 5 \) and \( g(x) = 2x - 4 \), then \( f(3) = g(3) \)

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Using the TI-84 family of graphing calculators to calculate the intersection of a graph.

1. John and Sarah are each saving money for a car. The total amount of money John will save is given by the function \( f(x) = 60 + 5x \). The total amount of money Sarah will save is given by the function \( g(x) = x^2 + 46 \). After how many weeks, \( x \), will they have the same amount of money saved? Explain how you arrived at your answer.
2. The graphs of the functions \( f(x) = |x - 3| + 1 \) and \( g(x) = 2x + 1 \) are drawn. Which statement about these functions is true?
   a. The solution to \( f(x) = g(x) \) is 3.
   b. The solution to \( f(x) = g(x) \) is 1.
   c. The graphs intersect when \( y = 1 \).
   d. The graphs intersect when \( x = 3 \).

3. Two functions, \( y = |x - 3| \) and \( 3x + 3y = 27 \), are graphed on the same set of axes. Which statement is true about the solution to the system of equations?
   a. (3,0) is the solution to the system because it satisfies the equation \( y = |x - 3| \).
   b. (9,0) is the solution to the system because it satisfies the equation \( 3x + 3y = 27 \).
   c. (6,3) is the solution to the system because it satisfies both equations.
   d. (3,0), (9,0), and (6,3) are the solutions to the system of equations because they all satisfy at least one of the equations.
4. Given the functions \( h(x) = \frac{1}{2} x + 3 \) and \( j(x) = |x| \), which value of \( x \) makes \( h(x) = j(x) \)?

   a. \(-2\)  
   b. \(2\)  
   c. \(3\)  
   d. \(-6\)

5. On the set of axes below, graph

\[
g(x) = \frac{1}{2} x + 1
\]

and

\[
f(x) = \begin{cases} 
2x + 1, & x \leq -1 \\
2 - x^2, & x > -1
\end{cases}
\]

How many values of \( x \) satisfy the equation \( f(x) = g(x) \)? Explain your answer, using evidence from your graphs.
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Answer Section

1. ANS:
   John and Sarah will have the same amount of money saved at 7 weeks. I set the expressions representing their savings equal to each other and solved for the positive value of $x$ by factoring.

   Strategy: Set the expressions representing their savings equal to one another and solve for $x$.

   \[ f(x) = 60 + 5x \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x^2 + 46 \]

   Let \( f(x) = g(x) \)

   \[ x^2 + 46 = 60 + 5x \]

   \[ x^2 - 5x - 14 = 0 \]

   \[ (x - 7)(x + 2) = 0 \]

   \[ x = 7 \]

   DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. After 7 weeks, John and Sarah will each have $95.00.

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2. ANS: B

Step 1. Understand that only one of the answer choices is true.
Step 2. Strategy. Input both functions in a graphing calculator and explore the truth of each answer choice.
Step 3. Execution of Strategy.

The graph and table show that the solution for this system of equations is (1,3). This means that \( f(1) = 3 \) and \( g(1) = 3 \). Accordingly, when \( x = 1 \), \( f(x) = g(x) \). The correct answer is choice b).

Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. All of the other answer choices can be eliminated as wrong. The problem can be checked algebraically as follows:

Given: \( f(x) = |x - 3| + 1 \) and \( g(x) = 2x + 1 \), find \( f(x) = g(x) \)

\[
\begin{align*}
|x - 3| + 1 &= 2x + 1 \\
|x - 3| &= 2x \\
x - 3 &= 2x \\
-3 &= x \\
\text{This is an extraneous solution.} \\
|\text{-3 - 3} + 1 &= 2(-3) + 1 \\
|6| + 1 &= -6 + 1 \\
6 + 1 &= -6 + 1 \\
7 &\neq -5
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
|x - 3| + 1 &= 2x + 1 \\
|x - 3| &= 2x \\
-x + 3 &= 2x \\
3 &= 3x \\
1 &= x \\
\text{This solution checks.} \\
|1 - 3| + 1 &= 2(1) + 1 \\
|2| + 1 &= 2 + 1 \\
2 + 1 &= 2 + 1 \\
3 &\neq 3
\end{align*}
\]
3. ANS: C

Strategy: Input both functions in a graphing calculator, then use the table and graph views of the function to select the correct answer.

STEP 1. Transpose the second function for input into a graphing calculator.

\[3x + 3y = 27\]
\[3y = 27 - 3x\]
\[y = \frac{27 - 3x}{3}\]

STEP 2. Input both functions in a graphing calculator.

When \(x = 6\), the value of \(y\) in both equations is 3. \((6, 3)\) is the solution to this system.

PTS: 2 REF: 011518ai NAT: A.REI.D.11 TOP: Nonlinear Systems
4. ANS: A

Strategy #1: Input both function rules in a graphing calculator.

```
\begin{array}{|c|c|}
\hline
\text{Plot1} & \text{Plot2} & \text{Plot3} \\
\hline
Y_1 & Y_1 & Y_1 \\
Y_2 & Y_2 & Y_2 \\
Y_3 & Y_3 & Y_3 \\
Y_4 & Y_4 & Y_4 \\
Y_5 & Y_5 & Y_5 \\
Y_6 & Y_6 & Y_6 \\
Y_7 & Y_7 & Y_7 \\
Y_8 & [ ] & [ ] \\
\hline
\end{array}
```

Strategy #2: Set the right expressions of both functions equal to one another. Then solve for the positive and negative values of $|x|$.

\[
\frac{1}{2}x + 3 = |x|
\]

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\frac{1}{2}x + 3 = x \\
x + 6 = 2x \\
6 = x
\end{array}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\left(\frac{1}{2}x + 3\right) = x \\
\frac{1}{2}x - 3 = x \\
-x - 6 = 2x \\
-6 = 3x \\
-2 = x
\end{array}
\]

Check:

\[
\begin{array}{c}
h(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 3 \\
h(-2) = \frac{1}{2}(-2) + 3 \\
h(-2) = -1 + 3 \\
h(-2) = 2 \\
j(x) = |x| \\
j(-2) = |-2| \\
j(x) = 2
\end{array}
\]

PTS: 2    REF: 011617ai    NAT: A.REI.D.11    TOP: Other Systems
5. **ANS:**

   Step 1. Plot \( g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 1 \)
   
   Step 2. Plot \( f(x) = 2x + 1 \) over the interval \( x \leq -1 \)
   
   Step 3. Plot \( f(x) = 2 - x^2 \) over the interval \( x > -1 \)

Only 1 value of \( x \) satisfies the equation \( f(x) = g(x) \), because the graphs only intersect once.

**PTS: 4**  
**REF: 061636ai**  
**NAT: F.IF.C.7**  
**TOP: Other Systems**
A.CED.A.3: Interpret Solutions

EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

A.CED.A.3: Interpret Solutions

A. Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
3. Represent constraints by equations or inequalities, and by systems of equations and/or inequalities, and interpret solutions as viable or nonviable options in a modeling context. For example, represent inequalities describing nutritional and cost constraints on combinations of different foods (linear).

**Big Idea - A Linear Inequality with Two Variables**

A linear inequality describes a region of the coordinate plane that has a boundary line. The boundary line divides the plane into two equal halves. Every point on one side of the boundary line is a solution of the inequality. Points on the boundary line are solutions of the inequality if, and only if, the inequality sign contains an equal sign (e.g., \( \leq \) or \( \geq \)). Points on the boundary line are not solutions of the inequality if the inequality sign does not contain an equal sign (e.g., \( < \) or \( > \)).

Two or more linear inequalities together form a system of linear inequalities. Note that there are two or more boundary lines in a system of linear inequalities. A solution of a system of linear inequalities makes each inequality in the system true. The graph of a system shows all of its solutions.

**Graphing a Linear Inequality**

**Step One.** Change the inequality sign to an equal sign and graph the boundary line in the same manner that you would graph a linear equation.

- When the inequality sign contains an equality bar beneath it, use a solid line for the boundary.
- When the inequality sign does not contain an equality bar beneath it, use a dashed or dotted line for the boundary.

**Step Two.** Restore the inequality sign and test a point to see which side of the boundary line the solution is on. The point \((0,0)\) is a good point to test since it simplifies any multiplication. However, if the boundary line passes through the point \((0,0)\), another point not on the boundary line must be selected for testing.

- If the test point makes the inequality true, shade the side of the boundary line that includes the test point.
- If the test point makes the inequality not true, shade the side of the boundary line does not include the test point.
**Example** Graph \( y < 2x + 3 \)

**First**, change the inequality sign an equal sign and graph the line: \( y = 2x + 3 \). This is the boundary line of the solution. Since there is no equality line beneath the inequality symbol, use a dashed line for the boundary.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Graph: } & y < 2x + 3 \\
\text{First: } & \text{change the inequality sign an equal sign and graph the line: } y = 2x + 3 \\
\text{Next, test a point} & \text{ to see which side of the boundary line the solution is on. Try (0,0), since it makes the multiplication easy, but remember that any point will do.}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
& y < 2x + 3 \\
& 0 < 2(0) + 3 \\
& 0 < 3 \quad \text{True, so the solution of the inequality is the region that contains the point (0,0).}
\end{align*}
\]

Therefore, we shade the side of the boundary line that contains the point (0,0).

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Note: } & \text{The TI-83+ graphing calculator does not have the ability to distinguish between solid and dashed lines on a graph of an inequality. The less than and greater than symbols are input using the far-left column of symbols that can be accessed through the Y= feature.}
\end{align*}
\]
Big Idea - Systems of Linear Inequalities

Graphing a System of Linear Inequalities. Systems of linear inequalities are graphed in the same manner as systems of equations are graphed. The solution of the system of inequalities is the region of the coordinate plane that is shaded by both inequalities.

Example: Graph the system: \[ 4y \geq 6x \\
-3x + 6y \leq -6 \]

First, convert both inequalities to slope-intercept form and graph.

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<td>[ y \geq \frac{3}{2}x ]</td>
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Next, test a point in each inequality and shade appropriately.

- Since point \((0,0)\) is on the boundary line of \( y \geq \frac{3}{2}x \), select another point, such as \((0,1)\).

\[ y \geq \frac{3}{2}x \]

Test point \((0,1)\):
\[ \frac{3}{2}(0) \]
\[ 1 \geq 0 \]

The test of point \((0,1)\) makes the inequality true, so the point \((0,1)\) is in the solution set of the inequality. Shade the side of the boundary line that contains point \((0,1)\).
Since (0,0) is not on the boundary line of $y \leq \frac{1}{2}x - 1$, we can use (0,0) as our test point, as follows:

\[
y \leq \frac{1}{2}x - 1
\]

Test (0,0)

\[
0 \leq \frac{1}{2}(0) - 1 = -1
\]

This is not true, so the point (0,0) is not in the solution set of this inequality. We therefore must shade the side of the boundary line that does not include the point (0,0).

Note that the system of inequalities divides the coordinate plane into four sections. The solution set for the system of inequalities is the area where the two shaded regions overlap.

**Remember The Special Rule for Solving Inequalities:**
All the rules for solving equations apply to inequalities – plus one:

**When an inequality is multiplied or divided by any negative number, the direction of the inequality sign changes.**
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. An on-line electronics store must sell at least $2500 worth of printers and computers per day. Each printer costs $50 and each computer costs $500. The store can ship a maximum of 15 items per day. On the set of axes below, graph a system of inequalities that models these constraints.

![Graph of inequalities with axes labeled as Number of Printers and Number of Computers.]

Determine a combination of printers and computers that would allow the electronics store to meet all of the constraints. Explain how you obtained your answer.
2. Edith babysits for \( x \) hours a week after school at a job that pays $4 an hour. She has accepted a job that pays $8 an hour as a library assistant working \( y \) hours a week. She will work both jobs. She is able to work no more than 15 hours a week, due to school commitments. Edith wants to earn at least $80 a week, working a combination of both jobs. Write a system of inequalities that can be used to represent the situation. Graph these inequalities on the set of axes below.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Graph}\end{align*}
\]

Determine and state one combination of hours that will allow Edith to earn at least $80 per week while working no more than 15 hours.

3. A cell phone company charges $60.00 a month for up to 1 gigabyte of data. The cost of additional data is $0.05 per megabyte. If \( d \) represents the number of additional megabytes used and \( c \) represents the total charges at the end of the month, which linear equation can be used to determine a user's monthly bill?

\[
\begin{align*}
a. \quad c &= 60 - 0.05d \\
b. \quad c &= 60.05d \\
c. \quad c &= 60d - 0.05 \\
d. \quad c &= 60 + 0.05d
\end{align*}
\]
4. An animal shelter spends $2.35 per day to care for each cat and $5.50 per day to care for each dog. Pat noticed that the shelter spent $89.50 caring for cats and dogs on Wednesday. Write an equation to represent the possible numbers of cats and dogs that could have been at the shelter on Wednesday. Pat said that there might have been 8 cats and 14 dogs at the shelter on Wednesday. Are Pat’s numbers possible? Use your equation to justify your answer. Later, Pat found a record showing that there were a total of 22 cats and dogs at the shelter on Wednesday. How many cats were at the shelter on Wednesday?

5. Mo's farm stand sold a total of 165 pounds of apples and peaches. She sold apples for $1.75 per pound and peaches for $2.50 per pound. If she made $337.50, how many pounds of peaches did she sell?
   a. 11
   b. 18
   c. 65
   d. 100

6. The Celluloid Cinema sold 150 tickets to a movie. Some of these were child tickets and the rest were adult tickets. A child ticket cost $7.75 and an adult ticket cost $10.25. If the cinema sold $1470 worth of tickets, which system of equations could be used to determine how many adult tickets, \(a\), and how many child tickets, \(c\), were sold?
   a. \(a + c = 150\)
   b. \(a + c = 1470\)
   c. \(a + c = 150\)
   d. \(a + c = 1470\)
   
   \[10.25a + 7.75c = 1470\]
   \[7.75a + 10.25c = 1470\]
A.CED.A.3: Interpret Solutions

Answer Section

1. ANS:

a) A combination of 2 printers and 10 computers meets all the constraints because (2,10) is in the solution set of the graph.

Strategy: Write a system of inequalities, transform and input both inequalities into a graphing calculator, draw the graph on the paper using the table of values view in the calculator, then use the graph to answer the question.

STEP 1. Write the system of inequalities.
   Let \( p \) represent the number of printers shipped each day.
   Let \( c \) represent the number of computers shipped each day.
   Write:
   
   \[
   \begin{align*}
   \text{Eq. 1:} & \quad p + c \leq 15 \\
   \text{Eq. 2:} & \quad 50p + 500c \geq 2500
   \end{align*}
   \]

STEP 2. Transform both equations and input them into the graphing calculator.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Eq. 1:} & \quad p + c \leq 15 \\
& \quad c \leq 15 - p \\
& \quad y \leq 15 - x \\
\text{Eq. 2:} & \quad 50p + 500c \geq 2500 \\
& \quad 500c \geq 2500 - 50p \\
& \quad c \geq \frac{2500 - 50p}{500} \\
& \quad y \geq \frac{2500 - 50x}{500}
\end{align*}
\]
STEP 3. Use information from the graphing calculator to construct the graph (see above).

STEP 4. Select (2, 10), or any other point in the heavily shaded area, as a combination of printers and computers that would allow the electronics store to meet all of the constraints.

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. The point (2, 10) satisfies both inequalities, as shown below:

\[\begin{align*}
\text{Eq. 1} & : \quad p + c \leq 15 \\
\text{Eq. 2} & : \quad 50p + 500c \geq 2500 \\
2 + 10 & \leq 15 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 50(2) + 500(10) \geq 2500 \\
12 & \leq 15 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 100 + 5000 \geq 2500 \\
\end{align*}\]

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\end{align*}\]
2. ANS:
   a) \( x + y \leq 15 \)
   \( 4x + 8y \geq 80 \)

b) Zero hours at school and 15 hours at the library.

c) Zero hours at school and 15 hours at the library.

Strategy: Write two inequalities, then input them into a graphing calculator and transfer the graph view to the paper, then answer the questions.

STEP 1. Write two inequalities.
   Let \( x \) represent the number of hours Edith babysits.
   Let \( y \) represent the number of hours Edith works at the library.
   Write:  
   Eq. 1 \( x + y \leq 15 \)
   Eq. 2 \( 4x + 8y \geq 80 \)

STEP 2. Transform both inequalities for input into a graphing calculator
   Eq. 1 \( x + y \leq 15 \)
   \( y \leq 15 - x \)
   Eq. 2 \( 4x + 8y \geq 80 \)
   \( y \geq \frac{80 - 4x}{8} \)

STEP 3. Input both inequalities.
Use data from the table of values to construct the graph on paper.

**STEP 3. Test one combination of hours in the solution set (the dark shaded area).**

Test (0, 15).

Eq. 1 \[ x + y \leq 15 \]
- \[ 0 + 15 \leq 15 \]
- \[ 15 \leq 15 \]

Eq. 2 \[ 4x + 8y \geq 80 \]
- \[ 4(0) + 8(15) \geq 80 \]
- \[ 120 \geq 80 \]

**DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes.**

**PTS: 6**

**REF: 081437ai**

**NAT: A.CED.A.3**

**TOP: Modeling Systems of Linear Inequalities**
3. **ANS: D**

**Strategy:** Translate the words into algebraic terms and expressions. Then eliminate wrong answers.

The problem tells us to:
- Let $c$ represent the total charges at the end of the month.
- Let 60 represent the cost of 1 gigabyte of data.
- Let $d$ represent the cost of each megabyte of data after the first gigabyte.

The total charges equal 60 plus .05$d$.
Write $c = 60 + .05d$. This is answer choice d.

**DIMS? Does It Make Sense?** Yes. $c = 60 + .05d$ could be used to represent the user’s monthly bill. First, transpose the formula for input into the graphing calculator:

$$c = 60 + .05d$$
$$0 = 60 + .05x$$
$$Y_1 = 60 + .05x$$

The table of values shows that the monthly charges increase 5 cents for every additional megabyte of data.

**PTS:** 2  **REF:** 061422ai  **NAT:** A.CED.A.2  **TOP:** Modeling Linear Equations
4. ANS:
   a)  $2.35c + 5.50d = 89.50$
   b)  Pat’s numbers are not possible, because the equation does not balance using Pat’s numbers.
   c)  There were 10 cats in the shelter on Wednesday

Strategy: Use information from the first two sentences to write the equation, then use the equation to see if Pat is correct, then modify the equation for the last part of the question.

STEP 1: Write the equation
   Let $c$ represent the number of cats in the shelter.
   Let $d$ represent the number of dogs in the shelter.
   
   $2.35c + 5.50d = 89.50$

STEP 2: Use the equation to see if Pat is correct.

   $2.35c + 5.50d = 89.50$
   $2.35(8) + 5.50(14) \neq 89.50$
   $18.80 + 77.00 \neq 89.50$
   $95.80 \neq 89.50$

STEP 3: Modify the equation to reflect the total number of animals in the shelter.
   Let $c$ represent the number of cats in the shelter.
   Let $(22 - c)$ represent the number of dogs in the shelter.
   
   $2.35c + 5.50(22 - c) = 89.50$
   $2.35c + 121 - 5.50c = 89.50$
   $-3.15c = -31.50$
   $c = 10$

DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes. If there were 10 cats in the shelter and 12 dogs, the total costs of caring for the animals would be $89.50.

   $2.35c + 5.50d = 89.50$
   $2.35(10) + 5.50(12) = 89.50$
   $23.50 + 66 = 89.50$
   $89.50 = 89.50$

PTS: 4      REF: 061436ai      NAT: A.CED.A.2      TOP: Modeling Linear Equations
5. **ANS: C**

**Strategy:** Write and solve a system of equations to represent the problem.

Let $a$ represent the number pounds of apples sold.
Let $p$ represent the number of pounds of peaches sold.

**STEP 1. Write a system of equations.**

Eq. 1 $a + p = 165$
Eq. 2 $1.75a + 2.50p = 337.50$

**STEP 2. Solve the system.**

Eq. 1 $a + p = 165$
Eq. 2 $1.75a + 2.50p = 337.50$

Multiply Eq. 1 by 1.75

Eq. 1a $1.75a + 1.75p = 1.75(165)$

Subtract Eq. 1a from Eq. 2

$.75p = 337.5 - 1.75(165)$

$.75p = 48.75$

$p = \frac{48.75}{.75}$

$p = 65$

**DIMS? Does It Make Sense? Yes.** If $p = 65$, then $a = 100$, and these values make both equations balance.

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**PTS: 2**

**REF: 061506ai**

**NAT: A.REI.C.6**

**TOP: Solving Linear Systems**
6. **ANS: A**

Step 1. Recognize this problem as having two variables, a and c.

Step 2. Strategy: Write a system of equations to model the problem.

Step 3. Use information from the first two sentences to write the first equation.

The Celluloid Cinema sold 150 tickets to a movie.
Some of these were **child tickets** and the rest were **adult tickets**.

\[ a + c = 150 \]

Eliminate answer choices b) and d).

Use information from the next two sentences to write the second equation.

A child ticket cost $7.75 and an adult ticket cost $10.25.
If the cinema sold $1470 worth of tickets, ....

\[ 10.25a + 7.75c = 1470 \]

Eliminate choice c). The answer is choice a).

Step 4. Does it make sense? Yes. Answer choice a) shows that the number of adult tickets added to the number of children tickets equals 150, and the income from the adult tickets added to the income from the children tickets equals 1470.

PTS: 2  REF: 061605ai  NAT: A.REI.C.  TOP: Modeling Linear Systems
A.REI.D.12: Graph Systems of Inequalities

SYSTEMS
A.REI.D.12: Graph Systems of Inequalities

D. Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.
12. Graph the solutions to a linear inequality in two variables as a half-plane (excluding the boundary in the case of a strict inequality), and graph the solution set to a system of linear inequalities in two variables as the intersection of the corresponding half-planes.

BIG IDEAS
A linear inequality describes a region of the coordinate plane that has a boundary line. Every point in the region is a solution of the inequality.

Two or more linear inequalities together form a system of linear inequalities. Note that there are two or more boundary lines in a system of linear inequalities.

A solution of a system of linear inequalities makes each inequality in the system true. The graph of a system shows all of its solutions.

Graphing a Linear Inequality

Step One. Change the inequality sign to an equal sign and graph the boundary line in the same manner that you would graph a linear equation.
- When the inequality sign contains an equality bar beneath it, use a solid line for the boundary.
- When the inequality sign does not contain an equality bar beneath it, use a dashed or dotted line for the boundary.

Step Two. Restore the inequality sign and test a point to see which side of the boundary line the solution is on. The point (0,0) is a good point to test since it simplifies any multiplication. However, if the boundary line passes through the point (0,0), another point not on the boundary line must be selected for testing.
- If the test point makes the inequality true, shade the side of the boundary line that includes the test point.
- If the test point makes the inequality not true, shade the side of the boundary line does not include the test point.

Example Graph \( y < 2x + 3 \)

First, change the inequality sign an equal sign and graph the line: \( y = 2x + 3 \). This is the boundary line of the solution. Since there is no equality line beneath the inequality symbol, use a dashed line for the boundary.
Next, test a point to see which side of the boundary line the solution is on. Try \((0,0)\), since it makes the multiplication easy, but remember that any point will do.

\[
y < 2x + 3
0 < 2(0) + 3
0 < 3 \quad \text{True, so the solution of the inequality is the region that contains the point } (0,0).
\]

Therefore, we shade the side of the boundary line that contains the point \((0,0)\).

Note: The TI-83+ graphing calculator does not have the ability to distinguish between solid and dashed lines on a graph of an inequality. The less than and greater than symbols are input using the far-left column of symbols that can be accessed through the \([Y=]\) feature.

**Graphing a System of Linear Inequalities.** Systems of linear inequalities are graphed in the same manner as systems of equations are graphed. The solution of the system of inequalities is the region of the coordinate plane that is shaded by both inequalities.

**Example:** Graph the system: \(4y \geq 6x\)
\(-3x + 6y \leq -6\)

First, convert both inequalities to slope-intercept form and graph.

\[
\begin{align*}
4y & \geq 6x \\
\frac{4y}{4} & \geq \frac{6x}{4} \\
y & \geq \frac{3}{2}x \\
m & = \frac{3}{2}, \quad b = 0
\end{align*}
\]
\[
\begin{align*}
-3x + 6y & \leq -6 \\
\frac{6y}{6} & \leq -\frac{3x}{6} - \frac{6}{6} \\
y & \leq \frac{1}{2}x - 1 \\
m & = \frac{1}{2}, \quad b = -1
\end{align*}
\]

Next, test a point in each inequality and shade appropriately.
Since point (0,0) is on the boundary line of \( y \geq \frac{3}{2}x \), select another point, such as (0,1).

\[
y \geq \frac{3}{2}x
\]

Test (0,1)

\[
1 \geq \frac{3}{2}(0)
\]

This is true, so the point (0,1) is in the solution set of this inequality. Therefore, we shade the side of the boundary line that includes point (0,1).

Since (0,0) is not on the boundary line of \( y \leq \frac{1}{2}x - 1 \), we can use (0,0) as our test point, as follows:

\[
y \leq \frac{1}{2}x - 1
\]

Test (0,0)

\[
0 \leq \frac{1}{2}(0) - 1
\]

This is not true, so the point (0,0) is not in the solution set of this inequality. We therefore must shade the side of the boundary line that does not include the point (0,0).

Note that the system of inequalities divides the coordinate plane into four sections. The solution set for the system of inequalities is the area where the two shaded regions overlap.

**Remember The Big Rule for Solving Inequalities:**

All the rules for solving equations apply to inequalities – plus one more:

*When an inequality is multiplied or divided by any negative number, the direction of the inequality sign changes.*
REGENTS PROBLEMS TYPICAL OF THIS STANDARD

1. The Reel Good Cinema is conducting a mathematical study. In its theater, there are 200 seats. Adult tickets cost $12.50 and child tickets cost $6.25. The cinema's goal is to sell at least $1500 worth of tickets for the theater.

Write a system of linear inequalities that can be used to find the possible combinations of adult tickets, \( x \), and child tickets, \( y \), that would satisfy the cinema's goal.

Graph the solution to this system of inequalities on the set of axes below. Label the solution with an \( S \).

Marta claims that selling 30 adult tickets and 80 child tickets will result in meeting the cinema's goal. Explain whether she is correct or incorrect, based on the graph drawn.
2. What is one point that lies in the solution set of the system of inequalities graphed below?

a. (7,0)  

b. (3,0)  

c. (0,7)  

d. (−3,5)
3. Given:  \( y + x > 2 \)
\[ y \leq 3x - 2 \]
Which graph shows the solution of the given set of inequalities?

![Graph Options](a.)(b.)(c.)(d.)

4. Which graph represents the solution of \( y \leq x + 3 \) and \( y \geq -2x - 2 \)?

![Graph Options](a.)(b.)(c.)(d.)
5. The graph of an inequality is shown below.

![Graph of an inequality](image)

a) Write the inequality represented by the graph.
b) On the same set of axes, graph the inequality $x + 2y < 4$.
c) The two inequalities graphed on the set of axes form a system. Oscar thinks that the point (2,1) is in the solution set for this system of inequalities. Determine and state whether you agree with Oscar. Explain your reasoning.

6. The sum of two numbers, $x$ and $y$, is more than 8. When you double $x$ and add it to $y$, the sum is less than 14. Graph the inequalities that represent this scenario on the set of axes below.

![Graph of inequalities](image)

Kai says that the point (6,2) is a solution to this system. Determine if he is correct and explain your reasoning.
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Answer Section

1. ANS:
   System of Inequalities
   Let \( x \) represent the number of adult tickets and let \( y \) represent the number of child tickets.
   \[
   x + y \leq 200
   \]
   \[
   12.5x + 6.25y \geq 1500
   \]

   Graph of the System

   Marta is incorrect because the coordinates (30, 80) are not in the solution area.

   Check: Marta is incorrect because $12.50(30) + $6.25(80) = $875.00. This is less than the cinema’s goal of selling at least $1500 worth of tickets.

   PTS: 6  REF: 011637ia  NAT: A.REI.D.12  TOP: Graphing Systems of Linear Inequalities  KEY: graph

2. ANS: A
   Strategy: Visually estimate whether a point falls in the solution area and eliminate wrong answers.
   
   a. (7,0) clearly falls in the solutions area for both the solid line and the dotted line.
   b. (3,0) appears to be in the solution area for the solid line, but not for the dotted line.
   c. (0,7) is clearly not in the solution area for the dotted line.
   d. (-3,5) is clearly not in the solution area for either the solid line or the dotted line.

   PTS: 2  REF: 081407ai  NAT: A.REI.D.12  TOP: Graphing Systems of Linear Inequalities
3. **ANS: B**

Strategy: Transpose the first inequality to slope intercept form \((y = mx + b)\), then input both inequalities into a graphing calculator and eliminate wrong answers.

**STEP 1.** Transpose the first inequality to slope intercept form \((y = mx + b)\).

\[
y + x > 2
\]
\[
y > -x + 2
\]

**STEP 2.** Input both inequalities into a graphing calculator and inspect the graphs.

Eliminate answer choices \(c\) and \(d\).

**STEP 3.** Decide between answer choices \(a\) and \(b\).

Eliminate answer choice \(a\) because it shows two solid lines. The graph for \(y > -x + 2\) must have a dotted line. Answer choice \(b\) is the correct answer.

**PTS:** 2  
**REF:** 061404ai  
**NAT:** A.REI.D.12  
**TOP:** Graphing Systems of Linear Inequalities

**KEY:** bimodalgraph

4. **ANS: C**

Strategy: Input both inequalities into a graphing calculator and inspect the graphs.

Answer choice \(c\) is the correct answer.

**PTS:** 2  
**REF:** 081506ai  
**NAT:** A.REI.D.12  
**TOP:** Graphing Systems of Linear Inequalities
5. ANS:
   a) \( y \geq 2x - 3. \)

   b) Oscar is wrong. The point (2,1) is not in the solution set of both inequalities.

   Strategy: Use information from the graph together with the slope intercept form of a line \((y = mx + b)\) to write the inequality \( y \geq 2x - 3 \), where 2 is the slope \((m)\) and -3 is the y-intercept \(b\). Then, transform the new equation and put both equations in a graphing calculator. Use the graph and the table of values to finish the system of inequalities on paper. Finally, determine if Oscar is right or wrong.

   STEP 1. Transform \( x + 2y < 4 \) for input into a graphing calculator.
   
   \[
   \begin{align*}
   x + 2y &< 4 \\
   2y &< -x + 4 \\
   y &< -\frac{x + 4}{2}
   \end{align*}
   \]

   STEP 2. Input both inequalities in a graphing calculator.

   STEP 3. Use the graph view and the table view to transfer the graph to paper. Be sure to make the line dotted for \( y < -\frac{x + 4}{2} \). The line for \( y \geq 2x - 3 \) should be solid.

   STEP 4. Test the point (2,1) in both equations.

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Oscar is wrong.

PTS: 4  REF: 011534ai  NAT: A.REI.D.12  TOP: Graphing Systems of Linear Inequalities

6. ANS:
Strategy: Write two inequalities, then input them in a graphing calculator and reproduce the graph on paper.
First Inequality: The sum of two numbers, $x$ and $y$, is more than 8.

\[ x + y > 8 \]

\[ y > -x + 8 \]

Second Inequality: When you double $x$ and add it to $y$, the sum is less than 14.

\[ 2x + y < 14 \]

\[ y < -2x + 14 \]

Kai is not correct. (6,2) is not a solution because it falls on the boundary lines of both inequalities and the boundary lines are not part of the solution set of this system of inequalities.

PTS: 4  REF: 061634ai  NAT: A.REI.D.12  TOP: Graphing Systems of Linear Inequalities

KEY: graph
Revised “Writing the Math” Assignment

START     Write your name, date, topic of lesson, and class on your paper.
NAME:     Mohammed Chen
DATE:     December 18, 2015
LESSON:   Missing Number in the Average
CLASS:    Z

PART 1a.  Copy **the problem** from the lesson and underline/highlight key words.
PART 1b.  State your understanding of **what the problem is asking**.
PART 1c.  **Answer** the problem.
PART 1d.  Explanation of **strategy** with all work shown.

PART 2a.  Create **a new problem** that addresses the same math idea.
PART 2b.  State your understanding of **what the new problem is asking**.
PART 2c.  **Answer** the new problem.
PART 2d.  Explanation of **strategy** used in solving the new problem with all work shown.

Clearly label each of the eight parts.

**Grading Rubric**
Each homework writing assignment is graded using a four point rubric, as follows:

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This assignment/activity is designed to incorporate elements of Polya’s four step universal algorithm for problem solving with the idea that writing is thinking.

**Rationale for Assignment**
Each New York Regents Algebra I (Common Core) examination contains 13 open response problems. An analysis of the first three Algebra I examinations revealed that approximately 51% (20 out of 39) of these open response problems instructed students to: 1) **describe**; 2) **state**; 3) **explain**; 3) **justify** or otherwise write about their answers. It is theorized that students can benefit from explicit instruction and writing routines that are applicable to solving these problems.
Revised “Writing the Math” Assignment

EXEMPLAR OF A WRITING THE MATH ASSIGNMENT

Part 1a. The Problem
TOP Electronics is a small business with five employees. The mean (average) weekly salary for the five employees is $360. If the weekly salaries of four of the employees are $340, $340, $345, and $425, what is the salary of the fifth employee?

Part 1b. What is the problem asking?
Find the salary of the fifth employee.

Part 1c. Answer
The salary of the fifth employee is $350 per week.

Part 1d. Explanation of Strategy
The arithmetic mean or average can be represented algebraically as:

$$\bar{X} = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \ldots + x_n}{n}$$

I put information from the problem into the formula. The problem says there are 5 employees, so \( n = 5 \). The problem also gives the mean (average) salary and the salaries of 4 of the employees. These numbers can be substituted into the formula as follows:

$$360 = \frac{340 + 340 + 345 + 425 + x_5}{5}$$
$$1800 = 340 + 340 + 345 + 425 + x_5$$
$$1800 = 1450 + x_5$$
$$1800 - 1450 = x_5$$
$$350 = x_5$$

Check: \( 360 = \frac{340 + 340 + 345 + 425 + 350}{5} = \frac{1800}{5} = 360 \)

Part 2a. A New Problem
Joseph took five math exams this grading period and his average score on all of the exams is 88. He remembers that he received test scores of 78, 87, 94, and 96 on four of the examinations, but he has lost one examination and cannot remember what he scored on it. What was Joseph’s score on the missing exam?

Part 2b. What is the new problem asking?
Find Joseph’s score on the missing exam.

Part 2c. Answer to New Problem
Joseph received a score of 85 on the missing examination.

Part 2d. Explanation of Strategy
I substitute information from the problem into the formula for the arithmetic mean, as follows:

$$88 = \frac{78 + 87 + 94 + 96 + x_5}{5}$$
$$440 = 355 + x_5$$
$$85 = x_5$$

Check: \( 88 = \frac{78 + 87 + 94 + 96 + 85}{5} = \frac{440}{5} = 88 \)
POLYA’S APPROACH FOR SOLVING ANY MATH PROBLEM

STEP 1: UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM

Read the entire problem.
Underline key words.
What is the problem asking you to do?
What information do you need?
What do you need to find out?
What should the answer look like?

STEP 2: DEVELOP A PROBLEM SOLVING STRATEGY

Have you seen a problem like this before?
If yes, how did you solve the previous problem?
If no, use a proven strategy from your problem solving toolkit.
   Use a formula
   Simplify the problem
   Draw a picture
   Look for a pattern
   Eliminate wrong answers
   Guess and check

STEP 3: DO THE STRATEGY

Show all work! Do not erase anything.

STEP 4: CHECK YOUR ANSWER TO SEE IF IT IS REASONABLE AND ACCURATE

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