$$f'(3) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{h} \qquad f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{(3+h)^2 - 9}{h} \qquad = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{9 + 6h + h^2 - 9}{h} \qquad = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - x^2}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{6h + h^2}{h} \qquad = \lim_{h \to 0} (2x + h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} (6 + h) \qquad = 2x,$$
so $f'(3) = 6$.

working with x