Answer Key for Module 6 - Polynomial Functions Version A

This key should allow you to understand why you choose the option you did (beyond just getting a question right or wrong). More instructions on how to use this key can be found here.

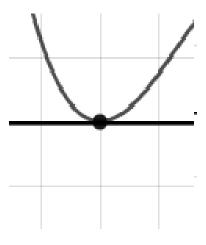
If you have a suggestion to make the keys better, please fill out the short survey here.

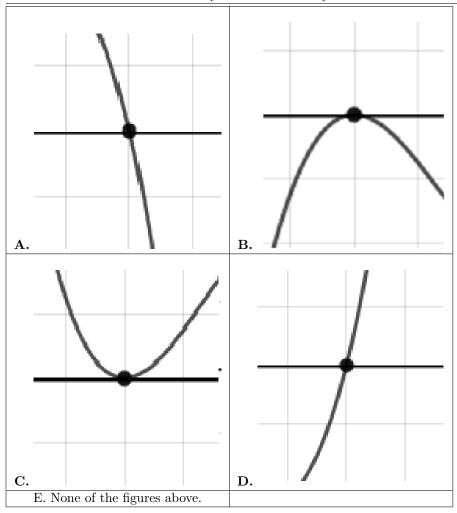
Note: This key is auto-generated and may contain issues and/or errors. The keys are reviewed after each exam to ensure grading is done accurately. If there are issues (like duplicate options), they are noted in the offline gradebook. The keys are a work-in-progress to give students as many resources to improve as possible.

26. Describe the zero behavior of the zero x = 6 of the polynomial below.

$$f(x) = 4(x-3)^{7}(x+3)^{6}(x-6)^{10}(x+6)^{9}$$

The solution is

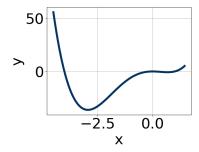




- A.
- В.
- С.
- D.

General Comments: You will need to sketch the entire graph, then zoom in on the zero the question asks about.

27. Which of the following equations *could* be of the graph presented below?



The solution is $14x^{8}(x-1)^{5}(x+4)^{9}$

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A.
$$14x^4(x-1)^6(x+4)^7$$

The factor (x-1) should have an odd power.

B.
$$14x^8(x-1)^5(x+4)^9$$

* This is the correct option.

C.
$$18x^5(x-1)^4(x+4)^{11}$$

The factor 0 should have an even power and the factor 1 should have an odd power.

D.
$$-19x^{10}(x-1)^{11}(x+4)^{11}$$

This corresponds to the leading coefficient being the opposite value than it should be.

E.
$$-9x^4(x-1)^9(x+4)^8$$

The factor (x + 4) should have an odd power and the leading coefficient should be the opposite sign.

General Comments: Draw the x-axis to determine which zeros are touching (and so have even multiplicity) or cross (and have odd multiplicity).

28. Construct the lowest-degree polynomial given the zeros below. Then, choose the intervals that contain the coefficients of the polynomial in the form $x^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$.

$$-3 + 2i$$
 and -1

The solution is $x^3 + 7x^2 + 19x + 13$

A.
$$b \in [-4, 2], c \in [-2, 0]$$
, and $d \in [-6, 1]$
 $x^3 + x^2 - x - 2$, which corresponds to multiplying out $(x - 2)(x + 1)$.

B.
$$b \in [-8, -2], c \in [18, 27], \text{ and } d \in [-16, -12]$$

 $x^3 - 7x^2 + 19x - 13, \text{ which corresponds to multiplying out } (x - (-3 + 2i))(x - (-3 - 2i))(x - 1).$

C.
$$b \in [4, 9], c \in [18, 27]$$
, and $d \in [4, 14]$
* $x^3 + 7x^2 + 19x + 13$, which is the correct option.

D.
$$b \in [-4, 2], c \in [2, 9]$$
, and $d \in [0, 4]$
 $x^3 + x^2 + 4x + 3$, which corresponds to multiplying out $(x + 3)(x + 1)$.

E. None of the above.

This corresponds to making an unanticipated error or not understanding how to use nonreal complex numbers to create the lowest-degree polynomial. If you chose this and are not sure what you did wrong, please contact the coordinator for help.

General Comments: Remember that the conjugate of a + bi is a - bi. Since these zeros always come in pairs, we need to multiply out (x - (-3 + 2i))(x - (-3 - 2i))(x - (-1)).

29. Construct the lowest-degree polynomial given the zeros below. Then, choose the intervals that contain the coefficients of the polynomial in the form $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$.

$$5, \frac{-2}{3}, \text{ and } \frac{-3}{2}$$

The solution is $6x^3 - 17x^2 - 59x - 30$

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A. $a \in [1, 10], b \in [-19, -11], c \in [-60, -48], \text{ and } d \in [25, 33]$

 $6x^3 - 17x^2 - 59x + 30$, which corresponds to multiplying everything correctly except the constant term.

B. $a \in [1, 10], b \in [-19, -11], c \in [-60, -48], \text{ and } d \in [-33, -29]$

* $6x^3 - 17x^2 - 59x - 30$, which is the correct option.

C. $a \in [1, 10], b \in [32, 40], c \in [17, 20], \text{ and } d \in [-33, -29]$

 $6x^3 + 35x^2 + 19x - 30$, which corresponds to multiplying out (x+1)(3x+3)(2x-2).

D. $a \in [1, 10], b \in [9, 21], c \in [-60, -48], \text{ and } d \in [25, 33]$

 $6x^3 + 17x^2 - 59x + 30$, which corresponds to multiplying out (x+5)(3x-2)(2x-3).

E. $a \in [1, 10], b \in [39, 46], c \in [69, 83], \text{ and } d \in [25, 33]$

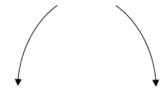
 $6x^3 + 43x^2 + 71x + 30$, which corresponds to multiplying out (x+1)(3x-3)(2x-2).

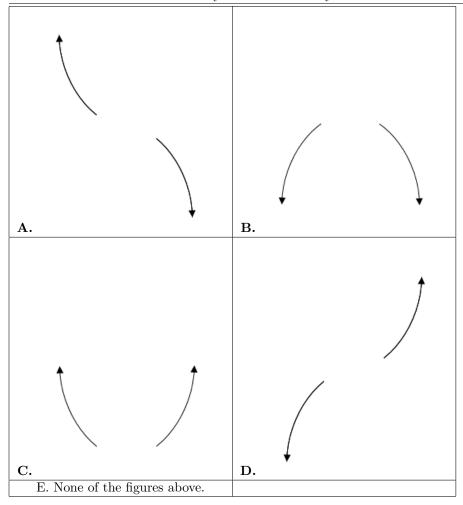
General Comments: To construct the lowest-degree polynomial, you want to multiply out (x-5)(3x+2)(2x+3)

30. Describe the end behavior of the polynomial below.

$$f(x) = -7(x-6)^3(x+6)^8(x+9)^5(x-9)^6$$

The solution is





- A. The function is above the x-axis, then passes through.
- B. The function is below the x-axis, then touches.
- C. The function is above the x-axis, then touches.
- D. The function is below the x-axis, then passes through.

General Comments: Remember that end behavior is determined by the leading coefficient AND whether the **sum** of the multiplicities is positive or negative.