

# Piecewise: Computation Practice 1

*This is a practice understanding of piecewise functions from an analytic viewpoint.*

**Problem 1** Consider the following piecewise function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x + 8 & -11 \leq x \leq -5 \\ -2e^{(x-2)} + 1 & -5 < x \leq -4 \\ 2\sqrt{|x+4|} - 1 & -4 < x \leq 2 \end{cases}$$

Evaluate  $f(0) =$

**Feedback(attempt):** To evaluate, find the row that has the input in the listed domain span. Once you find the correct row, plug the input in as the x-value into the function in that row to find the value of the piecewise function at that input.

**Problem 2** Consider the following piecewise function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -3\sqrt{|x-5|} + 1 & 4 \leq x \leq 10 \\ 2x + 4 & 10 < x \leq 11 \\ -2\sqrt{|x+4|} - 2 & 11 < x \leq 13 \end{cases}$$

Evaluate  $f(4) =$

**Feedback(attempt):** To evaluate, find the row that has the input in the listed domain span. Once you find the correct row, plug the input in as the x-value into the function in that row to find the value of the piecewise function at that input.

**Problem 3** Consider the following piecewise function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 4e^{(x+3)} + 3 & -9 \leq x \leq -3 \\ 3\ln(|x-2| + 1) & -3 < x \leq -2 \\ 4(x-5)^3 - 4 & -2 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

Evaluate  $f(5) =$

**Feedback(attempt):** To evaluate, find the row that has the input in the listed domain span. Once you find the correct row, plug the input in as the x-value into the function in that row to find the value of the piecewise function at that input.

**Problem 4** Consider the following piecewise function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -4(x-3)^2 - 4 & -6 \leq x \leq 1 \\ -5(x+1)^3 + 5 & 1 < x \leq 2 \\ 2e^{(x+3)} - 3 & 2 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

Evaluate  $f(-4) =$

Learning outcomes:

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**Problem 5** Consider the following piecewise function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 5x - 11 & -3 \leq x \leq -1 \\ 3 \ln(|x + 1| + 1) - 2 & -1 < x \leq 2 \\ 4(x - 2)^2 - 2 & 2 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

Evaluate  $f(-3) =$

**Feedback(attempt):** To evaluate, find the row that has the input in the listed domain span. Once you find the correct row, plug the input in as the x-value into the function in that row to find the value of the piecewise function at that input.