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1. The value of an automobile t years after it was purchased is given by the function $V = 38,000(0.84)^t$. Which statement is true?

    (a) The value of the car increases 84% each year.

    (b) The value of the car decreases 84% each year.

    (c) The value of the car increases 16% each year.

    (d) The value of the car decreases 16% each year.

2. Which function represents exponential decay?

    (a) $p(x) = \left(\dfrac{1}{4}\right)^{-x}$

    (b) $q(x) = 1.8^{-x}$

    (c) $r(x) = 2.3^{2x}$

    (d) $s(x) = 4^{\frac{x}{2}}$

3. Mia has a student loan that is in deferment, meaning that she does not need to make payments right now. The balance of her loan account during her deferment can be represented by the function $f(x) = 35,000(1.0325)^x$, where x is the number of years since the deferment began. If the bank decides to calculate her balance showing a monthly growth rate, an approximately equivalent function would be

    (a) $f(x) = 35,000(1.0027)^{12x}$

    (b) $f(x) = 35,000(1.0027)^{\frac{x}{12}}$

    (c) $f(x) = 35,000(1.0325)^{12x}$

    (d) $f(x) = 35,000(1.0325)^{\frac{x}{12}}$

4. To the *nearest tenth*, the solution to the equation $4300e^{0.07x} - 123 = 5000$ is

    (a) 1.1

    (b) 2.5

    (c) 6.3

    (d) 68.5

5. For which approximate value(s) of x will $\log(x + 5) = |x - 1| - 3$?

   (a) $5, 1$

   (b) $-2.41, 0.41$

   (c) $-2.41, 5$

   (d) 5, only

6. What is the solution of $2(3^{x+4}) = 56$?

   (a) $x = \log_3(28) - 4$

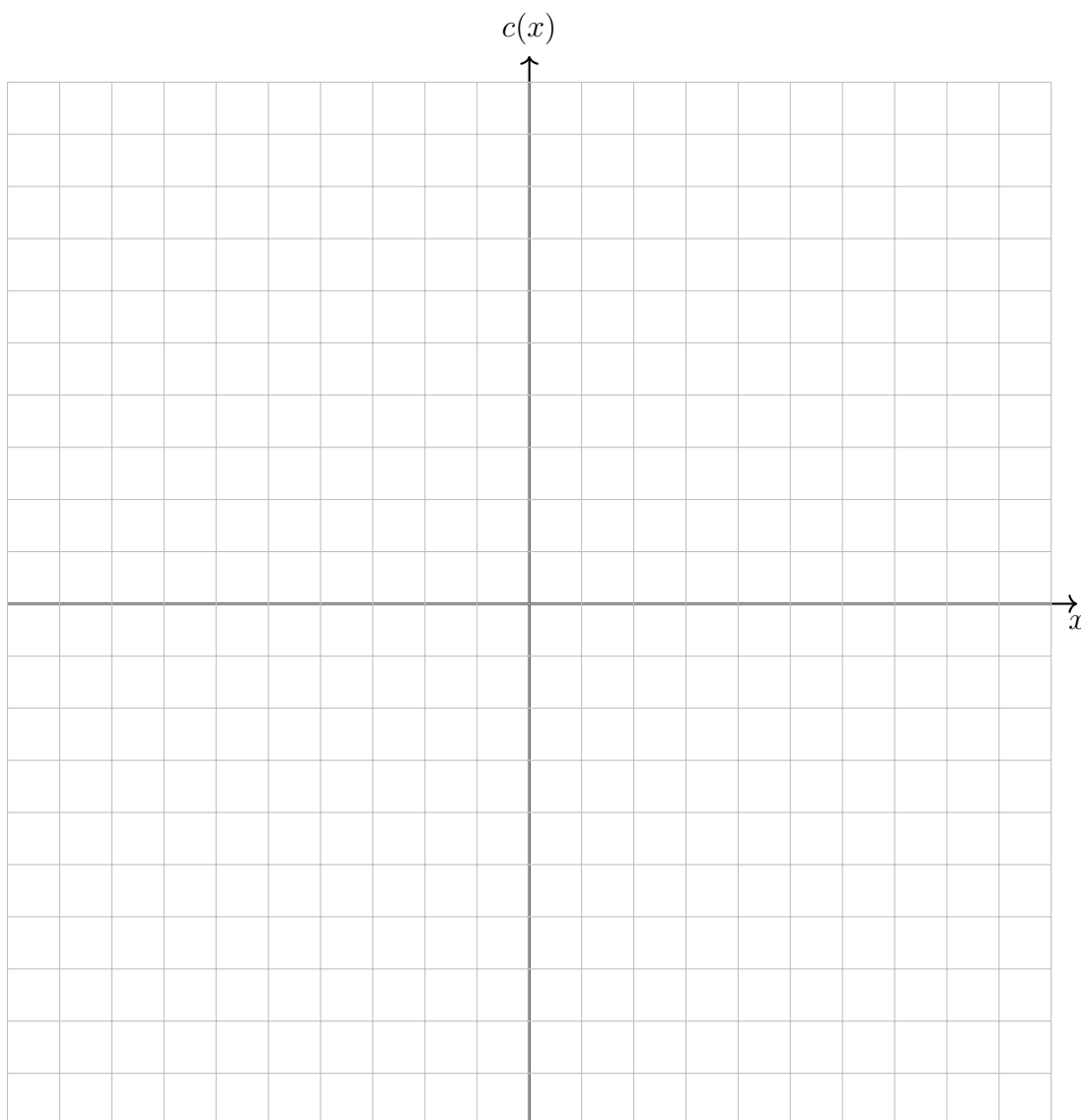   (b) $x = -1$

   (c) $x = \log(25) - 4$

   (d) $x = \dfrac{\log(56)}{\log(6)} - 4$

7. Consider the data in the table below.

x	1	2	3	4	5	6
y	3.9	6	11	18.1	28	40.3

   State an exponential regression equation to model these data, rounding all values to the *nearest thousandth*.

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8. Graph $c(x) = -9(3)^{x-4} + 2$ on the axes below.

Describe the end behavior of $c(x)$ as x approaches positive infinity.

Describe the end behavior of $c(x)$ as x approaches negative infinity.

9. Objects cool at different rates based on the formula below.

$$T = (T_0 - T_R)e^{-rt} + T_R$$

T_0 : initial temperature

T_R : room temperature

r : rate of cooling of the object

t : time in minutes that the object cools to a temperature, T

Mark makes T-shirts using a hot press to transfer designs to the shirts. He removes a shirt from a press that heats the shirt to 400°F. The rate of cooling for the shirt is 0.0735 and the room temperature is 75°F. Using this information, write an equation for the temperature of the shirt, T, after t minutes.

Use the equation to find the temperature of the shirt, to the nearest degree, after five minutes.

At the same time, Mark's friend Jeanine removes a hoodie from a press that heats the hoodie to 450°F. After eight minutes, the hoodie measured 270°F. The room temperature is still 75°F. Determine the rate of cooling of the hoodie, to the *nearest ten thousandth*.

The T-shirt and hoodie were removed at the same time. Determine when the temperature will be the same, to the nearest minute

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10. Chet has \$1200 invested in a bank account modeled by the function $P(n) = 1200(1.002)^n$, where $P(n)$ is the value of his account, in dollars, after n months. Chet's debt is modeled by the function $Q(n) = 100n$, where $Q(n)$ is the value of debt, in dollars, after n months. After n months, which function represents Chet's net worth, $R(n)$?

    (a) $R(n) = 1200(1.002)^n + 100n$

    (b) $R(n) = 1200(1.002)^{12n} + 100n$

    (c) $R(n) = 1200(1.002)^n - 100n$

    (d) $R(n) = 1200(1.002)^{12n} - 100n$

11. Susan won \$2,000 and invested it into an account with an annual interest rate of 3.2%. If her investment were compounded monthly, which expression best represents the value of her investment after t years?

    (a) $2000(1.003)^{12t}$

    (b) $2000(1.032)^{\frac{t}{12}}$

    (c) $2000(1.003)^t$

    (d) $2000(1.032)^{12t}$

12. The function $N(x) = 90(0.86)^x + 69$ can be used to predict the temperature of a cup of hot chocolate in degrees Fahrenheit after x minutes. What is the approximate average rate of change of the temperature of the hot chocolate, in degrees per minute, over the interval $[0, 6]$?

    (a) -8.93

    (b) -0.11

    (c) 0.11

    (d) 8.93

13. Biologists are studying a new bacterium. They create a culture with 100 of the bacteria and anticipate that the number of bacteria will double every 30 hours. Write an equation for the number of bacteria, B, in terms of the number of hours, t, since the experiment began.

14. The table below gives air pressures in kPa at selected altitudes above sea level measured

in kilometers.

x	(Altitude in km)	0	1	2	3	4	5
y	(Air Pressure in kPa)	101	90	79	70	62	54

Write an exponential regression equation that models these data rounding all values to the *nearest thousandth*.

Use this equation to algebraically determine the altitude, to the *nearest hundredth* of a kilometer, when the air pressure is 29 kPa.

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15. Perry invested in property that cost him $1500. Five years later, it was worth $3000, and 10 years from his original purchase, it was worth $6000. Assuming the growth rate remains the same, which type of function could he create to find the value of his investment 30 years from his original purchase?

    (a) exponential function

    (b) linear function

    (c) quadratic function

    (d) trigonometric function

16. If $5000 is put into a savings account that pays 3.5% interest compounded monthly, how much money, to the nearest ten cents, would be in that account after 6 years, assuming no money was added or withdrawn?

    (a) $5177.80

    (b) $5941.30

    (c) $6146.30

    (d) $6166.50

17. The Fahrenheit temperature, $F(t)$, of a heated object at time t, in minutes, can be modeled by the function below. F_s is the surrounding temperature, F_0 is the initial temperature of the object, and k is a constant.

$$F(t) = F_s + (F_0 - F_s)e^{-kt}$$

Coffee at a temperature of 195°F is poured into a container. The room temperature is kept at a constant 68°F and $k = 0.05$. Coffee is safe to drink when its temperature is, at most, 120°F. To the nearest minute, how long will it take until the coffee is safe to drink?

    (a) 7

    (b) 10

    (c) 11

    (d) 18

18. A study of black bears in the Adirondacks reveals that their population can be represented by the function $P(t) = 3500(1.025)^t$, where t is the number of years since the study began. Which function is correctly rewritten to reveal the monthly growth rate of the black bear population?

(a) $P(t) = 3500(1.00206)^{12t}$

(b) $P(t) = 3500(1.00206)^{t}$

(c) $P(t) = 3500(1.34489)^{\frac{t}{12}}$

(d) $P(t) = 3500(1.34489)^{12t}$

19. A population of 950 bacteria grows continuously at a rate of 4.75% per day.

(a) Write an exponential function, $N(t)$, that represents the bacterial population after t days and explain the reason for your choice of base.

(b) Determine the bacterial population after 36 hours, to the nearest bacterium.

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20. A 7-year lease for office space states that the annual rent is $85,000 for the first year and will increase by 6% each additional year of the lease. What will the total rent expense be for the entire 7-year lease?

    (a) $42,809.63

    (b) $90,425.53

    (c) $595,000.00

    (d) $713,476.20

21. Which situation could be modeled using a geometric sequence?

    (a) A cell phone company charges $30.00 per month for 2 gigabytes of data and $12.50 for each additional gigabyte of data.

    (b) The temperature in your car is 79°. You lower the temperature of your air conditioning by 2° every 3 minutes in order to find a comfortable temperature.

    (c) David's parents have set a limit of 50 minutes per week that he may play online games during the school year. However, they will increase his time by 5% per week for the next ten weeks.

    (d) Sarah has $100.00 in her piggy bank and saves an additional $15.00 each week.

22. A savings account, S, has an initial value of $50. The account grows at a 2% interest rate compounded n times per year, t, according to the function below.

$$S(t) = 50 \left(1 + \frac{0.02}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

    Which statement about the account is correct?

    (a) As the value of n increases, the amount of interest per year decreases.

    (b) As the value of n increases, the value of the account approaches the function $S(t) = 50e^{0.02t}$.

    (c) As the value of n decreases to one, the amount of interest per year increases.

    (d) As the value of n decreases to one, the value of the account approaches the function $S(t) = 50(1 + 0.02)^t$.

23. Which table best represents an exponential relationship?

(a)   (b)   (c)   (d)

x	y
1	8
2	4
3	2
4	1
5	$\frac{1}{2}$

x	y
8	0
4	1
0	2
-4	3
-8	4

x	y
0	0
1	1
2	4
3	9
4	16

x	y
1	1
2	8
3	27
4	64
5	125

24. Camryn puts \$400 into a savings account that earns 6% annually. The amount in her account can be modeled by $C(t) = 400(1.06)^t$ where t is the time in years. Which expression best approximates the amount of money in her account using a weekly growth rate?

     (a) $400(1.001153846)^t$

     (b) $400(1.001153846)^{52t}$

     (c) $400(1.001121184)^t$

     (d) $400(1.001121184)^{52t}$

25. The half-life of a radioactive substance is 15 years.

     (a) Write an equation that can be used to determine the amount, $s(t)$, of 200 grams of this substance that remains after t years.

     (b) Determine algebraically, to the nearest year, how long it will take for $\frac{1}{10}$ of this substance to remain.