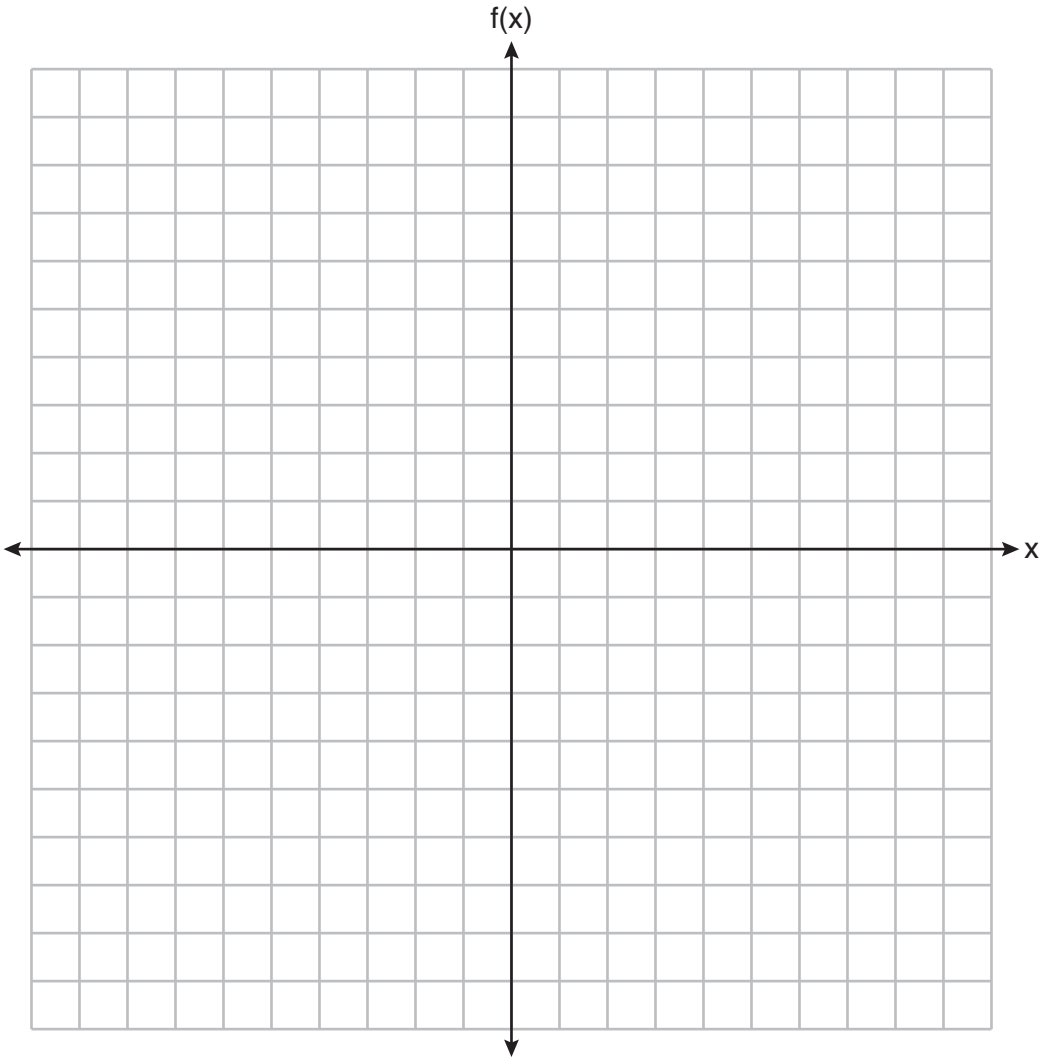


27 Graph  $f(x) = \log_2(x + 6)$  on the set of axes below.



#### Part IV

Answer the question in this part. A correct answer will receive 6 credits. Clearly indicate the necessary steps, including appropriate formula substitutions, diagrams, graphs, charts, etc. Utilize the information provided to determine your answer. Note that diagrams are not necessarily drawn to scale. A correct numerical answer with no work shown will receive only 1 credit. All answers should be written in pen, except for graphs and drawings, which should be done in pencil. [6]

- 37 Griffin is riding his bike down the street in Churchville, N.Y. at a constant speed, when a nail gets caught in one of his tires. The height of the nail above the ground, in inches, can be represented by the trigonometric function  $f(t) = -13\cos(0.8\pi t) + 13$ , where  $t$  represents the time (in seconds) since the nail first became caught in the tire.

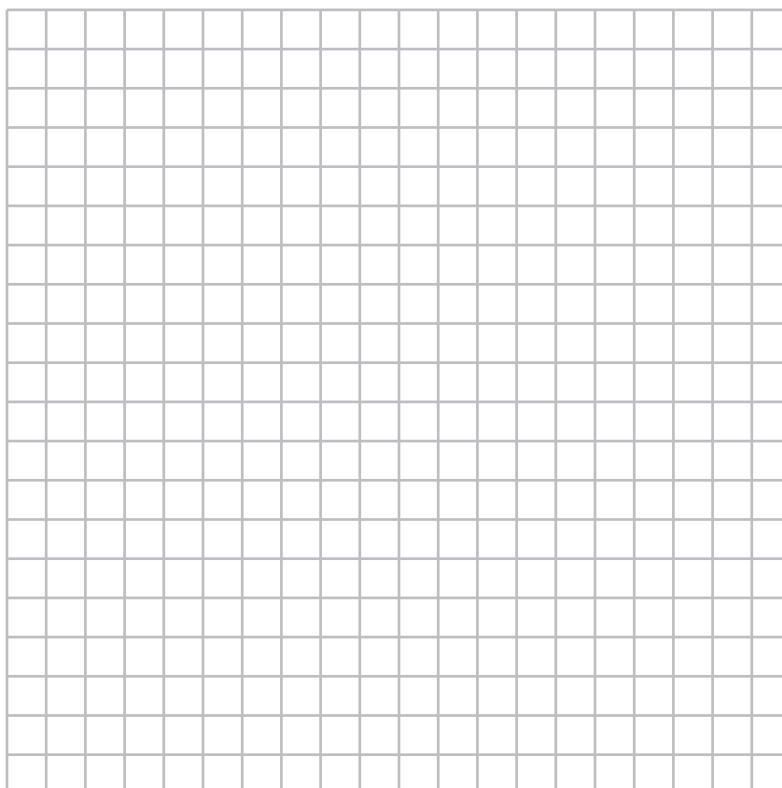
Determine the period of  $f(t)$ .

Interpret what the period represents in this context.

Question 37 is continued on the next page.

**Question 37 continued**

On the grid below, graph *at least one* cycle of  $f(t)$  that includes the  $y$ -intercept of the function.



Does the height of the nail ever reach 30 inches above the ground? Justify your answer.