1. (a) Distance:
$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(1 - (-3))^2 + (3 - 5)^2} = \sqrt{16 + 4} = \sqrt{20} = 2\sqrt{5}$$
.

1. (b) Slope:
$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{3 - 5}{1 - (-3)} = \frac{-2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$$
.

Then the equation is:

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 5 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - (-3))$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{3}{2} + 5$$

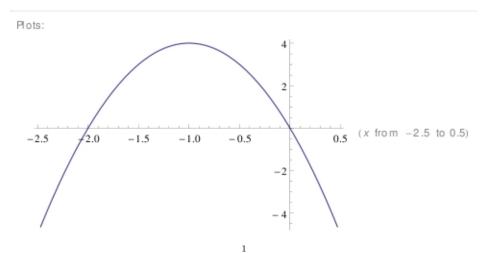
$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 3.5.$$

2. Using Gaussian-elimination (Gauss-Jordan Elimination can be used also!):

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & | & -14 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & | & 21 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & | & 19 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & | & -14 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & -7 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 & | & -23 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & | & -14 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & | & 12 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & | & -14 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \cdot z &= 4 \implies z = 4 \\ 1 \cdot y - 1 \cdot z &= -7 \implies y = -3 \\ 1 \cdot x - 1 \cdot y + 1 \cdot z &= 14 \implies x = 7. \end{aligned}$$

- 3. (a) Parent function: $f(x) = x^2$. Transformations: vert. shift up 4, x-axis reflection, vert. stretch by a factor of 4, hor. shift left 1.
- 3. (b) Graph should look like the following, with scale and a few points labeled.



4. (a) Algebraic solution:

$$y_1 \le y_2$$

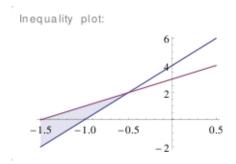
$$4(x+1) \le 2x+3$$

$$4x+4 < 2x+3$$

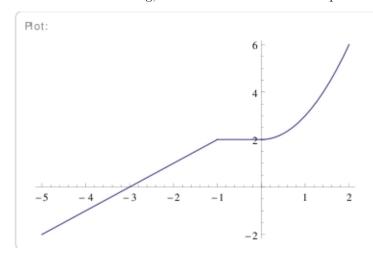
$$2x \le -1$$

$$x \le -1/2.$$

Graph:



5. (a) Graph should look like the following, with scale and at least three points labeled.



- **5.** (b) Domain: [-5, 2]; Range: [-2, 6].
- **5.** (c) Increasing: $(-5, -1) \cup (0, 2)$; Constant: (-1, 0); Decreasing: never.
- **6.** (a) $h(x) = (f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = 2(x+5) = 2x+5.$
- 6. (b)

$$h(x) = 2x + 10$$

$$y = 2x + 10$$

$$x = 2y + 10$$

$$2y = x - 10$$

$$y = \frac{x - 10}{2}$$

$$h^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}x - 5.$$

Bonus.

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{((x+h)^2 - 3(x+h)) - (x^2 - 3x)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 - 2xh + h^2 - 3x - 3h - x^2 + 3x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{h^2 + 2xh - 3h}{h}$$

$$= h + 2x - 3.$$