Common Core Math II Name Date

Independent Practice: Exponential Growth & Decay

1POPULATION

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In 1990, Florida's population was about 13 million. Since 1990, the state's population has grown about 1.7% each year. This means that Florida's population is growing exponentially.

Year	Population
1990	
1991	
1992	
1993	
1994	



- a) Write an explicit function in the form $v = ab^x$ that models the values in the table.
- b) What does x represent in your function?
- c) What is the "a" value in the equation and what does it represent in this context?
- d) What is the "b" value in the equation and what does it represent in this context?

2 HEALTHCARE

Since 1985, the daily cost of patient care in community hospitals in the United States has increased about 8.1% per year. In 1985, such hospital costs were an average of \$460 per day.

- a) Write an equation to model the cost of hospital care. Let x = the number of years after 1985.

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- b) Find the approximate cost per day in 2012.
- c) When was the cost per day \$1000 Missing Question Mark
- d) When was the cost per day \$2000?



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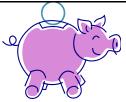
3HALF-LIFE Comma

To treat some forms of cancer, doctors use Iodine-131 which has a half-life of 8 days. If a patient received 12 millicuries of Iodine-131, how much of the substance will remain in the patient 2 weeks later?

4 SAVINGS

Suppose your parents deposited \$1500 in an account paying 6.5% interest compounded annually when you were born.

a) Find the account balance after 18 years.



- b) What would be the difference in the balance after 18 years if the interest rate in the original problem was 8% instead of 6.5%?
- c) What would be the difference in the balance if the interest was 6.5% and was compounded monthly instead of annually.

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5 HEALTH

Since 1980, the number of gallons of whole milk each person in the US drinks in a year has decreased 4.1% each year. In1980, each person drank an average of 16.5 gallons of whole milk per year.

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Year	Population
1980	
1981	
1982	
1983	
1984	

a) Write a recursive function for the data in the table.

b) Write an explicit function in the form $y=ab^x$ that models the values in the

table. Define your variables.

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c) According to this same trend, how many gallons of milk did a person drink in a year in 1970?

6 WASHINGTON, D.C.

The model $y = 604000(0.982)^x$ represents the population in Washington, D.C. x years after 1990.



- a) How many people were there in 1990?
- b) What percentage growth or decay does this model imply?
- c) Write a recursive function to represent the same model as the provided explicit function.

Supposing

- d) Suppose the current trend continues, predict the number of people in DC now.

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- e) Suppose the current trend continues, when will the population of DC be approximately half what it was in 1990?

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