

This print-out should have 30 questions. Multiple-choice questions may continue on the next column or page – find all choices before answering.

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**001 10.0 points**

Find an equation for the tangent to the graph of  $f$  at the point  $P(2, f(2))$  when

$$f(x) = \frac{5}{1-3x}.$$

1.  $y = \frac{3}{5}x - \frac{11}{5}$  **correct**

2.  $y + \frac{3}{5}x + \frac{2}{5} = 0$

3.  $y = 3x - 7$

4.  $y = \frac{1}{5}x - \frac{9}{5}$

5.  $y + \frac{1}{5}x + \frac{3}{5} = 0$

**Explanation:**

If  $x = 2$ , then  $f(2) = -1$ , so we have to find an equation for the tangent line to the graph of

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

at the point  $(2, -1)$ . Now the Newtonian quotient for  $f$  at a general point  $(x, f(x))$  is given by

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}.$$

First let's compute the numerator of the Newtonian Quotient:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x+h) - f(x) &= \frac{5}{1-3(x+h)} - \frac{5}{1-3x} \\ &= \frac{5(1-3x) - 5\{1-3(x+h)\}}{(1-3x)\{1-3(x+h)\}} \\ &= \frac{15h}{(1-3h)(1-3(x+h))}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{15}{(1-3x)(1-3(x+h))}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{15}{(1-3(x+h))(1-3x)} \\ &= \frac{15}{(1-3x)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

At  $x = 2$ , therefore,

$$f'(2) = \frac{15}{(1-6)^2} = \frac{3}{5},$$

so by the point slope formula an equation for the tangent line at  $(2, -1)$  is

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

which after simplification becomes

$$y = \frac{3}{5}x - \frac{11}{5}.$$

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**002 10.0 points**

Find the value of  $f'(4)$  when

$$f(x) = \frac{5}{3}x^{3/2} + 8x^{1/2}.$$

1.  $f'(4) = \frac{11}{2}$

2.  $f'(4) = \frac{13}{2}$

3.  $f'(4) = 7$  **correct**

4.  $f'(4) = 6$

5.  $f'(4) = \frac{15}{2}$

**Explanation:**

Since

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^r = r x^{r-1},$$

we see that

$$f'(x) = \frac{5}{2}x^{1/2} + 4x^{-1/2}.$$

At  $x = 4$ , therefore,

$$\boxed{f'(4) = 7}.$$

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**003 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of  $f$  when

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x}(x+5).$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{3x-5}{x\sqrt{x}}$$

$$2. f'(x) = \frac{2x+5}{x\sqrt{x}}$$

$$3. f'(x) = \frac{2x-5}{x\sqrt{x}}$$

$$4. f'(x) = \frac{3x+5}{2\sqrt{x}} \text{ correct}$$

$$5. f'(x) = \frac{3x-5}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$6. f'(x) = \frac{2x+5}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Product Rule

$$f'(x) = \frac{x+5}{2\sqrt{x}} + \sqrt{x}.$$

After simplification this becomes

$$\boxed{f'(x) = \frac{x+5+2x}{2\sqrt{x}} = \frac{3x+5}{2\sqrt{x}}}.$$

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**004 10.0 points**

Find  $f'(x)$  when

$$f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{4x+3}.$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{20}{(2x-3)^2}$$

$$2. f'(x) = -\frac{18}{(4x+3)^2}$$

$$3. f'(x) = -\frac{20}{(4x+3)^2}$$

$$4. f'(x) = \frac{20}{4x+3}$$

$$5. f'(x) = \frac{18}{4x+3}$$

$$6. f'(x) = \frac{18}{(4x+3)^2} \text{ correct}$$

**Explanation:**

By the quotient rule for differentiation,

$$f'(x) = \frac{2(4x+3) - 4(2x-3)}{(4x+3)^2}.$$

Consequently

$$\boxed{f'(x) = \frac{18}{(4x+3)^2}}.$$

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**005 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of

$$g(x) = \left(\frac{x+3}{x+1}\right)(2x-7).$$

$$1. g'(x) = \frac{2x^2-4x-20}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$2. g'(x) = \frac{x^2+4x-20}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$3. g'(x) = \frac{2x^2+4x+20}{x+1}$$

$$4. g'(x) = \frac{2x^2+4x+20}{(x+1)^2} \text{ correct}$$

$$5. g'(x) = \frac{2x^2-4x-20}{x+1}$$

$$6. g'(x) = \frac{x^2-4x+20}{x+1}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Quotient and Product Rules we see that

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= 2 \left( \frac{x+3}{x+1} \right) \\ &\quad + (2x-7) \left( \frac{(x+1) - (x+3)}{(x+1)^2} \right) \\ &= 2 \left( \frac{x+3}{x+1} \right) + 2 \left( \frac{2x-7}{(x+1)^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{2(x+3)(x+1) + 2(2x-7)}{(x+1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} 2(x+3)(x+1) - 2(2x-7) \\ = 2x^2 + 4x + 20. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently

$$g'(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 4x + 20}{(x+1)^2}.$$

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**006 10.0 points**

Find  $ax + b$  so that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{2x^2 - x - 4}{2x + 3} \right) = \frac{4x^2 + ax + b}{(2x + 3)^2}.$$

1.  $ax + b = 12x + 6$
2.  $ax + b = 12x + 5$  **correct**
3.  $ax + b = 12x + 7$
4.  $ax + b = 18x + 6$
5.  $ax + b = 18x + 7$

**Explanation:**

By the Quotient rule

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{2x^2 - x - 4}{2x + 3} \right) \\ = \frac{(4x - 1)(2x + 3) - 2(2x^2 - x - 4)}{(2x + 3)^2} \\ = \frac{4x^2 + 12x + 5}{(2x + 3)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$ax + b = 12x + 5.$$

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**007 10.0 points**

Find the value of  $F'(1)$  when

$$F(x) = \frac{f(x)}{f(x) - g(x)}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= 5, & f'(1) &= 2, \\ g(1) &= 1, & g'(1) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

1.  $F'(1) = \frac{3}{16}$  **correct**
2.  $F'(1) = \frac{9}{16}$
3.  $F'(1) = \frac{7}{16}$
4.  $F'(1) = -\frac{7}{16}$
5.  $F'(1) = -\frac{3}{16}$

**Explanation:**

By the Quotient Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} F'(x) \\ = \frac{f'(x)(f(x) - g(x)) - f(x)(f'(x) - g'(x))}{(f(x) - g(x))^2} \\ = \frac{f(x)g'(x) - f'(x)g(x)}{(f(x) - g(x))^2}, \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$F'(1) = \frac{3}{16}.$$

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**008 10.0 points**

Find the value of  $F'(2)$  when

$$F(x) = \frac{f(x)}{x}$$

and

$$f(2) = 2, \quad f'(2) = 3.$$

$$1. F'(2) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$2. F'(2) = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$3. F'(2) = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$4. F'(2) = 1 \text{ correct}$$

$$5. F'(2) = \frac{7}{4}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Quotient Rule,

$$F'(x) = \frac{xf'(x) - f(x)}{x^2}.$$

At  $x = 2$ , therefore,

$$F'(2) = \frac{2f'(2) - f(2)}{2^2}.$$

Consequently,

$$\boxed{F'(2) = 1}.$$

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**009 10.0 points**

Determine  $g'(x)$  when

$$g(x) = \frac{6 + xf(x)}{\sqrt{x}},$$

and  $f$  is a differentiable function.

$$1. g'(x) = \frac{2xf(x) + x^2f'(x) - 6}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$2. g'(x) = \frac{xf(x) + 2x^2f'(x) - 6}{2x\sqrt{x}} \text{ correct}$$

$$3. g'(x) = \frac{xf(x) - 2x^2f'(x) + 6}{2x\sqrt{x}}$$

$$4. g'(x) = \frac{xf(x) + 2x^2f'(x) + 6}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$5. g'(x) = \frac{2xf(x) + x^2f'(x) - 6}{x\sqrt{x}}$$

$$6. g'(x) = \frac{xf(x) - x^2f'(x) + 6}{x\sqrt{x}}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Quotient and Power Rules

$$g'(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}(f(x) + xf'(x)) - \frac{6 + xf(x)}{2\sqrt{x}}}{(\sqrt{x})^2}.$$

But after bringing the numerator to a common denominator and simplifying, the right hand side becomes

$$\frac{2x(f(x) + xf'(x)) - (6 + xf(x))}{2x\sqrt{x}}.$$

Consequently,

$$\boxed{g'(x) = \frac{xf(x) + 2x^2f'(x) - 6}{2x\sqrt{x}}}.$$

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**010 10.0 points**

Find the value of

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{3}}$$

whenever  $f$  is a differentiable function.

$$1. \text{ limit} = -f'(3)$$

$$2. \text{ limit} = -2\sqrt{3}f'(3)$$

$$3. \text{ limit} = -2f'(3)$$

$$4. \text{ limit} = f'(3)$$

$$5. \text{ limit} = 2\sqrt{3}f'(3) \text{ correct}$$

$$6. \text{ limit} = 2f'(3)$$

**Explanation:**

Since

$$\frac{x-3}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{3},$$

we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(x)-f(3)}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{3}} &= \frac{f(x)-f(3)}{x-3} \left( \frac{x-3}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{3}} \right) \\ &= \frac{f(x)-f(3)}{x-3} (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{3}). \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{f(x)-f(3)}{x-3} = f'(3),$$

while

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{3} = 2\sqrt{3}.$$

Consequently, by Properties of limits,

$$\boxed{\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{f(x)-f(3)}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt{3}f'(3)}.$$

**011 10.0 points**

Determine  $f'(x)$  when

$$f(x) = x^2 \sin x + 2x \cos x.$$

Do not type “ $f'(x) =$ ” as part of your answer, only the algebraic expression.

Correct answer:  $(x^2 + 2) * \cos(x)$ .

**Explanation:**

By the Product Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2x \sin x + x^2 \cos x \\ &\quad + 2 \cos x - 2x \sin x \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\boxed{f'(x) = (x^2 + 2) \cos x}.$$

keywords: differentiation, trig function, product rule

**012 10.0 points**

Determine the derivative of

$$f(x) = \frac{e^x - 1}{x - 3}.$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{(x-4)e^x + 1}{x-3}$$

$$2. f'(x) = \frac{(x-4)e^x - 1}{(x-3)^2}$$

$$3. f'(x) = \frac{(x-2)e^x - 1}{(x-3)^2}$$

$$4. f'(x) = \frac{(x-4)e^x + 1}{(x-3)^2} \text{ correct}$$

$$5. f'(x) = \frac{(x-2)e^x - 1}{x-3}$$

$$6. f'(x) = \frac{(x-2)e^x + 1}{x-3}$$

**Explanation:**

Using

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x, \quad \frac{d}{dx} x^n = nx^{n-1},$$

and the Quotient Rule, we see that

$$f'(x) = \frac{e^x(x-3) - (e^x - 1)}{(x-3)^2}.$$

Consequently,

$$\boxed{f'(x) = \frac{(x-4)e^x + 1}{(x-3)^2}}.$$

**013 10.0 points**

Determine  $f'(x)$  when

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin(x) - 2}{\sin(x) + 4}.$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{2 \cos(x)}{\sin(x) + 4}$$

$$2. f'(x) = -\frac{2 \cos(x)}{(\sin(x) + 4)^2}$$

$$3. f'(x) = -\frac{6 \cos(x)}{(\sin(x) + 4)^2}$$

4.  $f'(x) = \frac{6 \sin(x) \cos(x)}{\sin(x) + 4}$
5.  $f'(x) = -\frac{2 \sin(x) \cos(x)}{\sin(x) + 4}$
6.  $f'(x) = \frac{6 \cos(x)}{(\sin(x) + 4)^2}$  **correct**

**Explanation:**

By the Quotient Rule,

$$f'(x) = \frac{(\sin(x) + 4) \cos(x) - (\sin(x) - 2) \cos(x)}{(\sin(x) + 4)^2}.$$

But

$$(\sin(x) + 4) \cos(x) - (\sin(x) - 2) \cos(x) = 6 \cos(x).$$

Thus

$$f'(x) = \frac{6 \cos(x)}{(\sin(x) + 4)^2}.$$

keywords: derivative of trig functions, derivative, quotient rule

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**014 10.0 points**

Determine the derivative of

$$f(x) = x^2 \sin x + 2x \cos x.$$

1.  $f'(x) = (x^2 + 2) \sin x$
2.  $f'(x) = -(x^2 + 2) \cos x$
3.  $f'(x) = (x^2 + 2) \cos x$  **correct**
4.  $f'(x) = (x^2 - 2) \cos x$
5.  $f'(x) = -(x^2 + 2) \sin x$
6.  $f'(x) = -(x^2 - 2) \sin x$

**Explanation:**

By the Product Rule,

$$f'(x) = 2x \sin x + x^2 \cos x + 2 \cos x - 2x \sin x.$$

Consequently,

$$f'(x) = (x^2 + 2) \cos x.$$

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**015 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of  $f$  when

$$f(x) = \frac{1 + 2 \sin x}{\cos x}.$$

1.  $f'(x) = \frac{2 + \sin x}{\cos^2 x}$  **correct**
2.  $f'(x) = \frac{2 \sin x - 1}{\cos^2 x}$
3.  $f'(x) = \frac{\sin x - 2}{\cos^2 x}$
4.  $f'(x) = \frac{1 - 2 \cos x}{\sin^2 x}$
5.  $f'(x) = -\frac{1 + 2 \cos x}{\sin^2 x}$
6.  $f'(x) = \frac{2 \sin x + 1}{\cos^2 x}$
7.  $f'(x) = -\frac{2 + \cos x}{\sin^2 x}$
8.  $f'(x) = \frac{2 - \cos x}{\sin^2 x}$

**Explanation:**

By the quotient rule,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{2 \cos^2 x + \sin x(1 + 2 \sin x)}{\cos^2 x} \\ &= \frac{2(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) + \sin x}{\cos^2 x}. \end{aligned}$$

But  $\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$ . Consequently,

$$f'(x) = \frac{2 + \sin x}{\cos^2 x}.$$

**016 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of

$$f(x) = \frac{\tan x}{5 + \tan x}.$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{5}{(5 \cos x + \sin x)^2} \text{ correct}$$

$$2. f'(x) = \frac{\tan x}{(5 \cos x + \sin x)^2}$$

$$3. f'(x) = \frac{\sec^2 x}{5 + \sec^2 x}$$

$$4. f'(x) = \frac{5 \sec^2 x}{(1 + 5 \tan x)^2}$$

$$5. f'(x) = \frac{5 \tan x}{(5 + \tan x)^2}$$

$$6. f'(x) = -\frac{\sec^2 x}{(5 + \sec^2 x)^2}$$

**Explanation:**

It is more convenient to simplify first: since

$$\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x},$$

we see that

$$\frac{\tan x}{5 + \tan x} = \frac{\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}{5 + \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}.$$

Thus

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{5 \cos x + \sin x}.$$

By the Product Rule, therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{\cos x}{5 \cos x + \sin x} \\ &\quad - \frac{\sin x(\cos x - 5 \sin x)}{(5 \cos x + \sin x)^2} \\ &= \frac{\cos x(5 \cos x + \sin x)}{(5 \cos x + \sin x)^2} \\ &\quad - \frac{\sin x(\cos x - 5 \sin x)}{(5 \cos x + \sin x)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$f'(x) = \frac{5}{(5 \cos x + \sin x)^2}.$$

**017 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of

$$f(x) = \frac{\cos x + \sin x}{x^3}.$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{(x-2) \sin x - (x+2) \cos x}{x^3}$$

$$2. f'(x) = \frac{(3-x) \sin x - (x+3) \cos x}{x^4}$$

$$3. f'(x) = \frac{(2-x) \sin x - (x+2) \cos x}{x^3}$$

$$4. f'(x) = \frac{(x-3) \cos x - (x+3) \sin x}{x^4}$$

**correct**

$$5. f'(x) = \frac{(x+2) \cos x + (x-2) \sin x}{x^3}$$

$$6. f'(x) = \frac{(x+3) \cos x + (x-3) \sin x}{x^4}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Quotient Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{x^3(-\sin x + \cos x) - 3x^2(\cos x + \sin x)}{x^6}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x-3) \cos x - (x+3) \sin x}{x^4}.$$

keywords:

**018 10.0 points**Find the derivative of  $f$  when

$$f(x) = 4x \cos 5x.$$

$$1. f'(x) = 20 \cos 5x + 5x \sin 5x$$

$$2. f'(x) = 4 \cos 5x + 20x \sin 4x$$

$$3. f'(x) = 20 \cos 5x - 4x \sin 5x$$

$$4. f'(x) = 4 \cos 5x - 20x \sin 5x \text{ correct}$$

$$5. f'(x) = 4 \cos 4x - 4x \sin 5x$$

**Explanation:**

Using the formulas for the derivatives of sine and cosine together with the Chain Rule we see that

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (4x)' \cos 5x + 4x (\cos 5x)' \\ &= \boxed{4 \cos 5x - 20x \sin 5x} \end{aligned}$$

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**019 10.0 points**

Determine  $f'(x)$  when

$$f(x) = 2 \sin 3x + 3 \cos 2x.$$

$$1. f'(x) = 2 \cos 3x + 3 \cos 2x$$

$$2. f'(x) = 6(\cos 3x + \sin 2x)$$

$$3. f'(x) = -6(\sin 2x + \cos 3x)$$

$$4. f'(x) = -(3 \sin 2x + 2 \cos 3x)$$

$$5. f'(x) = 6(\cos 3x - \sin 2x) \text{ correct}$$

$$6. f'(x) = 2 \cos 3x - 3 \sin 2x$$

**Explanation:**

Since

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x, \quad \frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x,$$

the Chain Rule ensures that

$$\boxed{f'(x) = 6(\cos 3x - \sin 2x)}.$$

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**020 10.0 points**

Find  $f'(x)$  when

$$f(x) = \left( \frac{x-2}{x+1} \right)^2.$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{6(x+1)}{(x-1)^3}$$

$$2. f'(x) = \frac{6(x-2)}{(x+1)^3} \text{ correct}$$

$$3. f'(x) = -\frac{4(x-2)}{(x+1)^3}$$

$$4. f'(x) = -\frac{6(x+2)}{(x-1)^3}$$

$$5. f'(x) = \frac{4(x-1)}{(x+1)^3}$$

$$6. f'(x) = -\frac{4(x+1)}{(x-1)^3}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Chain and Quotient Rules,

$$f'(x) = 2 \left( \frac{x-2}{x+1} \right) \frac{(x+1) - (x-2)}{(x+1)^2}.$$

Consequently,

$$\boxed{f'(x) = \frac{6(x-2)}{(x+1)^3}}.$$

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**021 10.0 points**

Find  $f'(x)$  when

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 2x}.$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x-1)\sqrt{x^2 - 2x}$$

$$2. f'(x) = \frac{x-1}{2\sqrt{x^2 - 2x}}$$

$$3. f'(x) = 2(x-1)\sqrt{x^2 - 2x}$$



$$4. f'(x) = \frac{2(x-1)}{\sqrt{x^2-2x}}$$

$$5. f'(x) = (x-1)\sqrt{x^2-2x}$$

$$6. f'(x) = \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x^2-2x}} \text{ correct}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Chain Rule,

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^2-2x}}(2x-2).$$

Consequently,

$$\boxed{f'(x) = \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x^2-2x}}}.$$

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**022 10.0 points**

Find the first derivative of  $f$  when

$$f(x) = 3\cos(2x) - \sin^2(x).$$

$$1. f'(x) = 14\sin(2x)$$

$$2. f'(x) = -14\cos(2x)$$

$$3. f'(x) = -14\sin(2x)$$

$$4. f'(x) = -7\sin(2x) \text{ correct}$$

$$5. f'(x) = 7\sin(2x)$$

$$6. f'(x) = -7\cos(2x)$$

**Explanation:**

By the Chain Rule we see that

$$f'(x) = -6\sin(2x) - 2\sin(x)\cos(x).$$

Now

$$2\sin(x)\cos(x) = \sin(2x).$$

Consequently,

$$\boxed{f'(x) = -7\sin(2x)}.$$

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**023 10.0 points**

Find the value of  $f'(-1)$  when

$$f(x) = \left(x + \frac{4}{x}\right)^5.$$

Correct answer:  $-9375$ .

**Explanation:**

Using the chain rule and the fact that

$$(x^\alpha)' = \alpha x^{\alpha-1},$$

we see that

$$f'(x) = 5\left(x + \frac{4}{x}\right)^4 \left(1 - \frac{4}{x^2}\right).$$

Consequently, at  $x = -1$

$$\boxed{f'(-1) = -9375}.$$

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**024 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of  $f$  when

$$f(x) = \left(x^{7/2} + 3x^{-7/2}\right)^2.$$

$$1. f'(x) = 7\left(\frac{x^7+3}{x^7}\right)$$

$$2. f'(x) = 8\left(\frac{1-3x^{-14}}{x^7}\right)$$

$$3. f'(x) = 7\left(\frac{x^{14}-9}{x^8}\right) \text{ correct}$$

$$4. f'(x) = 7\left(\frac{x^{14}-3}{x^7}\right)$$

$$5. f'(x) = 8\left(\frac{x^{14}+9}{x^8}\right)$$

$$6. f'(x) = 8\left(\frac{1+3x^{-14}}{x^7}\right)$$

**Explanation:**

After expansion,

$$\left(x^{7/2} + 3x^{-7/2}\right)^2 = x^7 + 6 + 9x^{-7}$$

Thus

$$f'(x) = 7x^6 - 63x^{-8} = 7x^6 - \frac{63}{x^8}.$$

Consequently,

$$f'(x) = 7 \left(x^6 - \frac{9}{x^8}\right) = 7 \left(\frac{x^{14} - 9}{x^8}\right).$$

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**025 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of  $f$  when

$$f(x) = (x^1 + 2x^{-1})^2.$$

1.  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}(x^2 + 4x^{-2})$
2.  $f'(x) = \frac{2}{x}(x^2 - 2x^{-2})$
3.  $f'(x) = \frac{2}{x}(x^2 + 4x^{-2})$
4.  $f'(x) = \frac{2}{x}(x^2 + 2x^{-2})$
5.  $f'(x) = \frac{2}{x}(x^2 - 4x^{-2})$  **correct**
6.  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}(x^2 - 4x^{-2})$

**Explanation:**

After expansion,

$$(x^1 + 2x^{-1})^2 = x^2 + 4 + 4x^{-2}.$$

Thus

$$f'(x) = 2 \left(x^{1/1} - 4x^{-3}\right),$$

which can also be written as

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{x}(x^2 - 4x^{-2}).$$

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**026 10.0 points**

Find the value of  $f'(1)$  when

$$f(x) = 4(x^2 + 8)^{1/2} + \frac{1}{x}.$$

1.  $f'(1) = -\frac{2}{3}$
2.  $f'(1) = -\frac{1}{3}$
3.  $f'(1) = \frac{1}{3}$  **correct**
4.  $f'(1) = 0$
5.  $f'(1) = \frac{2}{3}$

**Explanation:**

Using the Chain Rule and the fact that

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^r = r x^{r-1}$$

holds for all values of  $r$ , we see that

$$f'(x) = \frac{4x}{(x^2 + 8)^{1/2}} - \frac{1}{x^2}.$$

At  $x = 1$ , therefore,

$$f'(1) = \frac{1}{3}.$$

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**027 10.0 points**

Find  $f'(x)$  when

$$f(x) = \left(\frac{x}{3x^2 + 1}\right)^2.$$

1.  $f'(x) = \frac{x(1 - 3x)}{(3x^2 + 1)^2}$
2.  $f'(x) = \frac{2x(1 - 3x^2)}{(3x^2 + 1)^3}$  **correct**
3.  $f'(x) = \frac{2x(1 - 3x)}{(3x^2 + 1)^2}$

$$4. f'(x) = \frac{2(1-3x^2)}{(3x^2+1)^3}$$

$$5. f'(x) = \frac{x(1-3x^2)}{(3x^2+1)^3}$$

$$6. f'(x) = \frac{2(1-3x^2)}{(3x^2+1)^2}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Power rule,

$$f'(x) = 2\left(\frac{x}{3x^2+1}\right) \times \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{x}{3x^2+1}\right).$$

But, by the Quotient rule,

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{x}{3x^2+1}\right) = \frac{(3x^2+1) - 6x^2}{(3x^2+1)^2}.$$

Consequently,

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x(1-3x^2)}{(3x^2+1)^3}.$$

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**028 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of  $f$  when

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(1-3x^2)^3}.$$

$$1. f'(x) = -\frac{6x}{(1-3x^2)^3}$$

$$2. f'(x) = \frac{18x}{(1-3x^2)^4} \text{ correct}$$

$$3. f'(x) = \frac{6x}{(1-3x^2)^4}$$

$$4. f'(x) = -6x(1-3x^2)^3$$

$$5. f'(x) = 18x(1-3x^2)^3$$

$$6. f'(x) = -\frac{18x}{(1-3x^2)^4}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Chain rule,

$$f'(x) = 3\left(\frac{6x}{(1-3x^2)^4}\right).$$

Consequently,

$$f'(x) = \frac{18x}{(1-3x^2)^4}.$$

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**029 10.0 points**

Find  $f'(x)$  when

$$f(x) = 3\sec^2 x + 2\tan^2 x.$$

$$1. f'(x) = 10\sec^2 x \tan x \text{ correct}$$

$$2. f'(x) = -2\tan^2 \sec x$$

$$3. f'(x) = -2\sec^2 x \tan x$$

$$4. f'(x) = 2\sec^2 x \tan x$$

$$5. f'(x) = 2\tan^2 \sec x$$

$$6. f'(x) = 10\tan^2 \sec x$$

**Explanation:**

Since

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sec x = \sec x \tan x, \quad \frac{d}{dx} \tan x = \sec^2 x,$$

the Chain Rule ensures that

$$f'(x) = 6\sec^2 x \tan x + 4\tan x \sec^2 x.$$

Consequently,

$$f'(x) = 10\sec^2 x \tan x.$$

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**030 10.0 points**

Find the derivative of  $f$  when

$$f(x) = 20(x+4)^{1/5}(x-5)^{1/4}.$$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{20x}{(x+4)^{4/5}(x-5)^{3/4}}$$

$$\mathbf{2.} \quad f'(x) = \frac{9x}{(x+4)^{\frac{4}{5}}(x-5)^{\frac{3}{4}}} \quad \mathbf{correct}$$

$$\mathbf{3.} \quad f'(x) = \frac{20x}{(x+4)^{\frac{6}{5}}(x-5)^{\frac{3}{4}}}$$

$$\mathbf{4.} \quad f'(x) = \frac{x}{(x+4)^{\frac{4}{5}}(x-5)^{\frac{3}{4}}}$$

$$\mathbf{5.} \quad f'(x) = \frac{9x}{(x+4)^{\frac{4}{5}}(x-5)^{\frac{5}{4}}}$$

**Explanation:**

By the Product and power rules,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{4(x-5)^{1/4}}{(x+4)^{\frac{4}{5}}} + \frac{5(x+4)^{1/5}}{(x-5)^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &= \frac{4(x-5) + 5(x+4)}{(x+4)^{\frac{4}{5}}(x-5)^{\frac{3}{4}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\boxed{f'(x) = \frac{9x}{(x+4)^{\frac{4}{5}}(x-5)^{\frac{3}{4}}}.$$