Translation Problems — WS 13

Translate each of the following questions into functional notation.

Two bicyclists, known only by their initials J and V, are travelling toward Astoria. The equations for the distance each has traveled after t hours are:

$$J(t) = 20t + t^{2}$$
$$V(t) = 10 + 30t - t^{2}$$

- 1. How long does it take bicyclist J to travel 20 miles?
- 2. When are the two bicyclists 15 miles apart?

The TR and TC functions for a business are:

$$TR(q) = 5q$$

$$TC(q) = -\frac{1}{5}q^2 + 5q + 10$$

- 3. Find all quantities at which profit is \$10.
- 4. For what quantity q is marginal cost equal to \$3?

We have two mystery functions, f and g. Their equations are:

$$f(x) = 3x - x^2 + a$$
$$g(x) = x^2 - 6x + 9$$

Here a represents an unknown number.

- 5. At what x-values do the graphs of f and g cross?
- 6. For what values of x is g(x) is less than 7?

A rock and feather are falling. The equations for their heights are:

$$R(t) = 5 - 5t^2$$
 (rock)
 $F(t) = d - t$ (feather)

Here d represents an unknown number.

- 7. When does the rock hit the ground?
- 8. How high is the feather when the rock hits the ground?

The concentration of a drug in the bloodstream after t hours is given by $C(t) = 20 - t^2$ ($\mu g/mL$).

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- 9. When is the concentration equal to 10 μ g/mL?
- 10. When is the concentration equal to half the starting concentration?