

Interpreting Non-Linear Expressions

1. $S(q) = 4q + 230\sqrt{q} + 3,000$

A company manufactures paper plates. The function above gives the cost $S(q)$, in dollars, of producing q plates. How many dollars is the fixed cost of production before any paper plates are produced? (*calculator*)

- A) 3,000
- B) 3,230
- C) 3,234
- D) 0

2. The following equation shows the height, h , in meters above the ground above of a baseball t after a particular hit.

$$h = 4 + 6.5t - 4.9t^2$$

What was the height of the baseball at the moment of the hit? (*calculator*)

- A) 0
- B) 4
- C) 4.9
- D) 6.5

3.
$$P = \$175 \left(\frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.04} \right)^8}{0.04} \right)$$

The equation above gives the present value, P , of an investment that pays the investor \$175 per year for 8 years. The present value is the dollar amount that is equal to the series of future payments. If the payments are changed from \$175 to \$350, what is the effect on the present value P ? (*no calculator*)

- A) The present value stays the same.
- B) The present value increases by \$175.
- C) The present value doubles.
- D) The present value increases by 100%.

4. $P(q) = -0.05(q - 300)(q - 40)$

The equation above gives the profit, $P(q)$, in dollars, earned by a music business when q records are sold. What is the best interpretation of the number 40 in this context? (*no calculator*)

- A) 40 is the number of records for which the profit is equal to \$0.
- B) 40 is the number of records that corresponds to the maximum profit.
- C) 40 is the number of records that corresponds to the minimum profit.
- D) 40 is the maximum profit, in dollars.

5. $h(x) = -3(x + 6)^2 + 10$

At a soda company's headquarters there is a soda fountain. The height, h , of the stream of soda, in feet above the surface, in a fountain at the horizontal distance of x feet from the nozzle, is given by the function shown above. What is the best interpretation of the number 10 in the function? (*no calculator*)

- A) The stream of soda begins at an initial height of 10 feet above the surface.
- B) The stream of soda will reach a maximum height of 10 feet above the surface.
- C) The stream of soda will touch the surface at a distance of 10 feet horizontally from the nozzle.
- D) The stream of soda will reach a maximum height at a distance of 10 feet horizontally from the nozzle.

6.
$$F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

Coulomb's law describes the force of attraction/repulsion between two charges. Two-point charges with respective charges q_1 and q_2 are placed r meters apart and the force emitted on one another is analyzed and recorded. If the distance between the two-point charges is halved, what is the effect on the force of attraction/repulsion? (*no calculator*)

- A) The force is doubled.
- B) The force is quadrupled.
- C) The force increases, but it does not double.
- D) The force is halved.

7. Jimmy conducted an experiment to determine the relationship between the number of hours, t , spent playing video games and number of questions, q , answered correctly on tests. He used the following equation to model his results.

$$q = -5(t - 1)^2 + 52$$

What is the best interpretation of the number "1" in Jimmy's model? (*no calculator*)

- A) In this experiment, a student who did not play video games would answer 1 question correctly.
- B) In this experiment, a student answers 1 more question correctly for every subsequent hour of study.
- C) In this experiment, a student who played video games for 1 hour would answer the most questions correctly.
- D) In this experiment, the first hour of video games did not influence the number of questions the student answered correctly.

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8. $E(v) = 2,500(1.506)^t$

The expected value, $E(v)$, of an investment after t years is given by the function defined above. What is the initial value of the investment? (*no calculator*)

- A) 2,500
- B) 3,765
- C) 1,660
- D) 1,506

9. $R(c) = -0.40(c - 135)^2 + 4,500$

A bottle manufacturer determines that its monthly revenue, $R(c)$, in dollars, is given by the function defined above, where c is the number of bottles sold each month. What is the maximum value of the company's monthly revenue in dollars? (*calculator*)

- A) \$54
- B) \$135
- C) \$4,500
- D) \$18,225