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Part 2 is based on **definite integrals**

If  $F(x)$  is an antiderivative of a continuous function  $f(x)$ , i.e.,  $F'(x) = f(x)$ , then:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

- This part uses definite integrals as the primary object and computes them via indefinite integrals
- Working with definite integrals:
  - Find the antiderivative  $F(x)$  of  $f(x)$
  - We don't have to worry about the constant  $C$  here since it cancels out on the RHS
  - The results can be put in square brackets:  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = [F(x)]_a^b = F(b) - F(a)$
  - Your answer is a number