

Exponential Functions and Equations: Check Your Readiness

You may use a four-function or scientific calculator, but not a graphing calculator.

1. For which function k does the output increase by 20% every time the input increases by 1?

A.
$$k(x) = 0.020^x$$

B.
$$k(x) = 0.20^x$$

C.
$$k(x) = 1.20^x$$

D.
$$k(x) = 20^x$$

- 2. The value of a stock in 1940 is \$1.25. Its value grows by 7% each year after 1940.
 - a. Write an equation representing the value of the stock V(t), in dollars, t years after 1940.
 - b. What does V(50) represent in this situation?
- 3. The table shows the area A(n), in square centimeters, of a piece of paper after it is folded in half n times.

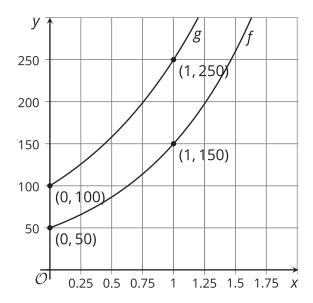


n	A(n)
1	140
2	70
3	35
4	17.5

a. What is the area of the sheet of paper?

b. Write an equation expressing the area A as a function of the number of folds n.

4. Here are the graphs of two different exponential functions, f and g.



a. By what factor do the values of f grow when the input increases by 1? By 10?

b. By what factor do the values of g grow when the input increases by 1? By 10?

5. \$2,000 is deposited in a bank account and no further deposits or withdrawals are made. The account receives 6% annual interest compounded monthly. Which expressions represent the account balance, in dollars, after 5 years?



A.
$$2,000 \cdot (1.06)^5$$

B.
$$2,000 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{6}{12}\right)^5$$

C. 2,000 •
$$\left(\left(1 + \frac{0.06}{12}\right)^{12}\right)^5$$

D.
$$2,000 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{12}\right)^{60}$$

E.
$$2,000 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{12}\right)^5$$

- 6. The value of a particular used car has been decreasing at the same rate each year since 2010. The equation $C(t) = 25{,}000 \cdot (0.78)^t$ represents the value of the car C(t), in dollars, as a function of t, the number of years since 2010.
 - a. What do the numbers 25,000 and 0.78 tell us about this situation?
 - b. What is the percent decrease of the value of the car each year?
 - c. Sketch a graph of *C*.

