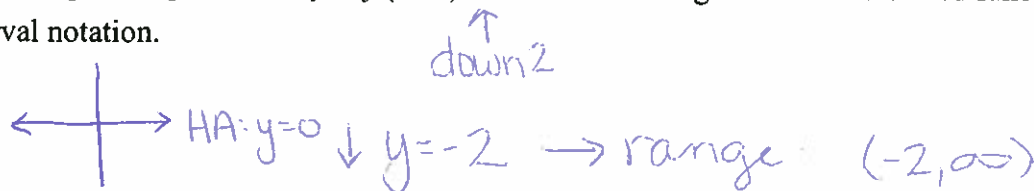
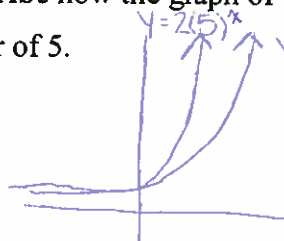


**Math 30-1: 2.1-2.3 Exponents Practice**

1. Suppose the graph of  $f(x) = b^x$ , where  $b > 1$ , is translated such that the equation of the image graph is expressed as  $y = f(x-1) - 2$ . Write the range of the transformed function in interval notation.



2. Describe how the graph of  $y = 2(3)^x$  will change if the rate of growth were changed to a factor of 5.



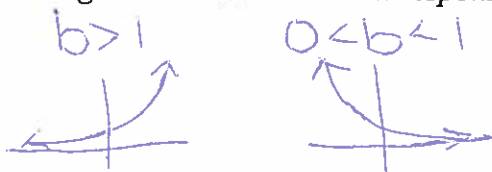
As shown in the graph, changing the rate of growth from 3 to 5 will result in the graph increasing at a faster rate.

Use the following information to answer the next two questions.

The numbered characteristics below refer to graphs of an exponential functions in the form:  $y = b^x$ .

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. domain               | 2. range              |
| 3. y-intercept          | 4. x-intercept        |
| 5. horizontal asymptote | 6. vertical asymptote |
| 7. increasing           | 8. decreasing         |

3. When **comparing** the graphs of  $y = b^x, b > 1$  and  $y = b^x, 0 < b < 1$  the characteristic(s) that would be the same for both graphs are number(s) 1, 2, 3, 5. Record your answers in ascending order in the numerical response boxes.



1	2	3	5
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4. When **contrasting** the graphs of  $y = b^x, b > 1$  and  $y = b^x, 0 < b < 1$  the characteristic(s) that would be different for the graphs are number(s) 7, 8. Record your answers in ascending order in the numerical response boxes.

7	8		
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5. Given the function defined by  $f(x) = 3^{x-1} - 5$ , identify the following characteristics of the graph.

range  $y > -5$  x-intercept  $(2.46, 0)$  y-intercept  $(0, -4.7)$

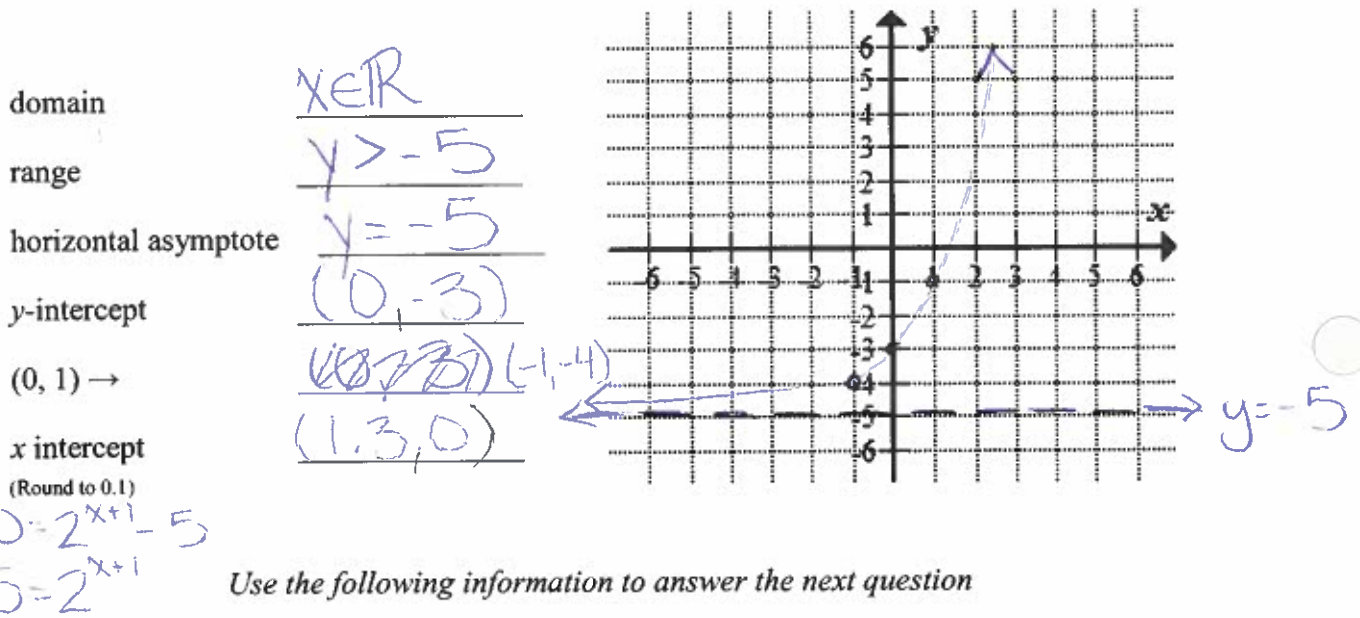
equation of the horizontal asymptote  $y = -5$

HT 1 right  
VT 5 down  
 $0 = 3^{x-1} - 5$   
 $5 = 3^{x-1}$   
 $x = 2.46...$

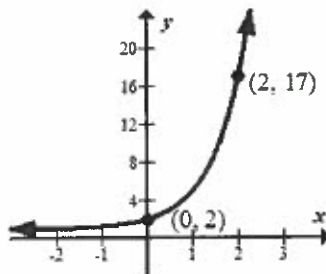
6. Describe the series of the transformations involved to transform the graph  $y = 3^x$  to the graph of  $y = -2(3)^{x-4} + 5$ .

- Vertical reflection over x-axis
- Vertical stretch of a factor of 2 about  $y=0$
- horizontal translation 4 right
- Vertical translation 5 up

7. Sketch the graph of the function defined by  $y = 2^{x+1} - 5$  and identify the characteristics of the graph.



The partial graph of an exponential function is shown below.



8. Write the function equation that represents the graph in the form  $y = b^x + d$

$$2 = b^0 + d$$

$$2 = 1 + d$$

$$\underline{\underline{1 = d}}$$

$$17 = b^2 + 1$$

$$16 = b^2$$

$$\underline{\underline{b = 4}}$$

$$y = 4^x + 1$$

9. Use a graphing method to **determine** the roots of each equation, rounded to the nearest tenth if necessary.

a)  $4^{-x+2} = 3^{2x}$

$y_1$   $y_2$

Intersection: (0.8, 5.5)

$x = 0.8$

b)  $4^{3x+1} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2x-3}$

$y_1$   $y_2$

Intersection: (0.1, 6.7)

$x = 0.1$

Use the following information to answer the next two questions.

Annabelle deposits \$400 into an investment that earns 5% annual interest, compounded semi-annually.

0.05

10. Write an exponential function that could be used to determine the amount accumulated in the investment.

$y = 400\left(1 + \frac{0.05}{2}\right)^{2x}$

$y = 400(1.025)^{2x}$

11. What is the total amount in the investment after 4 years if Annabelle does not withdraw any money?

$y = 400(1.025)^8 = \$487.36$

12. Algebraically solve each of the following.

a)  $5^{3-2x} = 5^{-x}$

$3 - 2x = -x$   
 $+2x \quad +2x$

$x = 3$

b)  $6^{2b-12} = 1$

$6^{2b-12} = 6^0$

$2b - 12 = 0$

$2b = 12$

$b = 6$

c)  $9^{4x-3} = 27^{2x+8}$

$3^{2(4x-3)} = 3^{3(2x+8)}$

$8x - 6 = 6x + 24$

$2x = 30$

$x = 15$

d)  $3^{x^2-42} = 3^{-x}$

$x^2 - 42 = -x$

$x^2 + x - 42 = 0$

$(x+7)(x-6) = 0$

$x = -7 \quad x = 6$

-42  
 $7 \diamond 6$   
 1

e)  $5^x = 125(\sqrt{5})$

$$5^x = 5^3 \cdot 5^{1/2}$$

$$5^x = 5^{7/2}$$

$$x = 7/2$$

f)  $64^{x-2} = (\sqrt[4]{4})^{3x+3}$

$$4^{3(x-2)} = 4^{1/4(3x+3)}$$

$$3x-6 = \frac{3x}{4} + \frac{3}{4}$$

$$4 \cdot \frac{9}{4}x = \frac{27}{4} \cdot 4$$

$$9x = 27$$

$$x = 3$$

13. The amount of Phosphorous-32 can be found using the formula  $A(t) = A_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/h}$ , where  $A(t)$

is the present mass,  $A_0$  is the initial mass,  $t$  is the time elapsed, and  $h$  is the half-life. Given that the half-life of this substance is 14.3 days, the length of time that it takes 96.2 kg to decay to 12.5 kg to the nearest day is \_\_\_\_\_.

$$12.5 = 96.2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/14.3}$$

$y_1$                        $y_2$

Intersection: (42.1, 12.5)

$$t = 42 \text{ days}$$

14. The number of bacteria in a culture triples every 9 hours. There are initially 1500 bacteria present.

a) Write an equation that could be used to model the growth of the bacteria.

$$y = 1500(3)^{x/9}$$

b) Use your model equation to algebraically and graphically determine how many hours it would take for 13 500 bacteria to be present?

Algebraically

$$\frac{13500}{1500} = \frac{1500(3)^{x/9}}{1500}$$

$$9 = 3^{x/9}$$

$$3^2 = 3^{x/9}$$

$$9 \cdot 2 = \frac{x}{9} \cdot 9$$

$$18 = x$$

Graphically

$$y_1 = 9$$

$$y_2 = 3^{x/9}$$

Intersection: (18, 9)

$$x = 18$$