



PRE-CALCULUS COBWEB BLASTER

The following problems are intended to refresh your knowledge of some precalculus topics.

1. If $m = -1$, $n = 2$, find the value of $m^2 - 2mn - n^2$.
2. What is the slope of the line $3y + 4x = 2$?
3. For which values of x is $3x + 2 > 0$?
4. Given the formula ${}_{r,s}\Delta_{t,u} = ru + s - t$, find ${}_{1,3}\Delta_{2,4}$.
5. For which values of x is $3x^2 - 2x - 1 > 0$?
6. Solve for x : $2x^2 + 8x - 11 = 0$.
7. Let $f(x) = \frac{2}{x} - x^2$. Find $f(1)$, $f(-1)$, $f(r)$, $f(2 - b)$.
8. Sketch the graph of $h(y) = y^2 - y - 2$.
9. State the domain of the function $g(x) = \frac{3x^2 + 2x - 8}{(2x^2 - x)}$.
10. For what values of a is $3a + 2 > 2a - 8$?
11. Where does the graph of $f(x) = 3x - 2$ intersect the graph of $g(x) = x^2$?
12. State the domain of the function $r(t) = \frac{1}{\cos(t^2) - 1}$.
13. Given the formula $h(2x - 1) = x^2$, find $h(1)$, $h(3)$, and $h(b)$.
14. Given the formula $j(i^2) = i^2$, find the value of $j(1)$, $j(2)$, $j(4)$.
15. Given the formulae $x(z) = y(2z)$ and $y(w) = 2w + 1$, find $x(3)$.
16. For each $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{6}$ compute $\cos \theta$, $\tan \theta$, $\sec \theta$, $\csc^2 \theta$.
17. Compute $2\cos^2 \theta + 2\sin^2 \theta$, where $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{13}$.

FUNCTIONS, LIMITS & CONTINUITY COBWEB BLASTER

1. Suppose that f has domain A and g has domain B .
 - (a) What is the domain of $f + g$?
 - (b) What is the domain of fg ?
 - (c) What is the domain of f/g ?
2. For which x are the following functions discontinuous? At which of these values x is f continuous from the right, from the left, or neither? (*Hint: what is the the graph of f*)

$$(a) f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + x^2, & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ 2 - x, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 2, \\ (x - 2)^2, & \text{if } x > 2. \end{cases}$$

$$(b) f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2, & \text{if } x < 0, \\ 2x^2, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 2 - x, & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

3. True/False:

- (a) If f is a function then $f(s + t) = f(s) + f(t)$.
- (b) If $f(s) = f(t)$ then $s = t$.
- (c) Let x, y be in the domain of f . If $x < y$ and f is increasing then $f(x) < f(y)$.
- (d) A vertical line intersects the graph of f at most once.
- (e) A vertical line intersects the graph of f exactly once.
- (f) If x is any real number then $x = \sqrt{x^2}$.
- (g) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{2}{x-4} - \frac{3x}{x+5} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2}{x-4} - \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3x}{x+5}$.
- (h) If $f(1) > 0$ and $f(3) < 0$ then there exists some $1 < c < 3$ such that $f(c) = 0$.
- (i) If f is continuous at $x = 5$ and $f(5) = 2$ and $f(4) = 3$ then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(4x^2 - 11) = 2$.
- (j) If f is continuous at $x = a$ then $|f|$ is continuous at $x = a$.
- (k) If $|f|$ is continuous at $x = a$ then f is continuous at $x = a$.

DERIVATIVE COBWEB BLASTER

1. Compute the following derivatives:

$$1. \frac{d}{dx}(3x + 1) \quad 2. \frac{d}{dx}(3x^2) \quad 3. \frac{d}{d\theta} 2 \cos(\theta^2) \quad 4. \frac{d}{dy} \left(\frac{y-3}{y^3} \right) \quad 5. \frac{d}{dx} \left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{2x^2} \right)$$

$$6. \frac{d}{ds} (s^2 e^{\cos(s)}) \quad 7. \frac{d}{d\Delta} \tan(\Delta) \quad 8. \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{t^2-t}{t^3+2t} \right) \quad 9. \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^3 \sqrt{x}}{x^{-2/3}} \right) \quad 10. \frac{d}{d\bullet} \left(\bullet (\sin(2\bullet^2) + \frac{1}{\bullet}) \right)$$

- 2. (a) Give the definition of the derivative $f'(a)$.
- (b) Find a function f and a number a such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2+h)^6 - 64}{h} = f'(a).$$

3. True or False:

- (a) If f is continuous at a then f is differentiable at a .
- (b) If f is differentiable then $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{f(x)} = \frac{f'(x)}{2\sqrt{f(x)}}$.
- (c) If f is differentiable then $\frac{d}{dx} f(\sqrt{x}) = \frac{f'(x)}{2\sqrt{x}}$.
- (d) If $h(t) = t^5$ then $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \frac{h(t) - h(2)}{t - 2} = 80$.
- (e) $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2$.

(f) Let $f(x) = |x|$. Then, $f'(2)$ does not exist.

4. Find $f'(x)$ if it is known that

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(2x)) = x^2.$$

5. Find f' in terms of g' :

(a) $f(x) = x^2g(x)$,

(b) $f(x) = g(x^2)$,

(c) $f(x) = g(g(x))$.