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Exponential vs. Linear Functions Notes

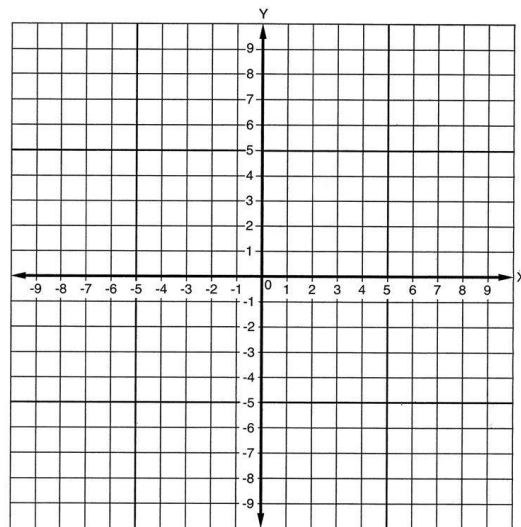
Part I – Graphing Exponential Functions

Directions: Graph each exponential function by creating a table and identifying its key characteristics.

1.  $y = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$  stretch/shrink/neither

growth/decay  
a: \_\_\_\_\_ domain: \_\_\_\_\_  
b: \_\_\_\_\_ range: \_\_\_\_\_  
h: \_\_\_\_\_ y-intercept: \_\_\_\_\_  
k: \_\_\_\_\_ Asymptote: \_\_\_\_\_

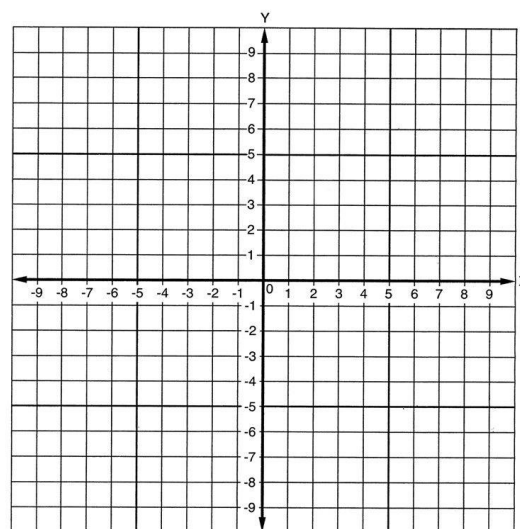
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2.  $y = 2^x + 6$  stretch/shrink/neither  
growth/decay

a: \_\_\_\_\_ domain: \_\_\_\_\_  
b: \_\_\_\_\_ range: \_\_\_\_\_  
h: \_\_\_\_\_ y-intercept: \_\_\_\_\_  
k: \_\_\_\_\_ Asymptote: \_\_\_\_\_

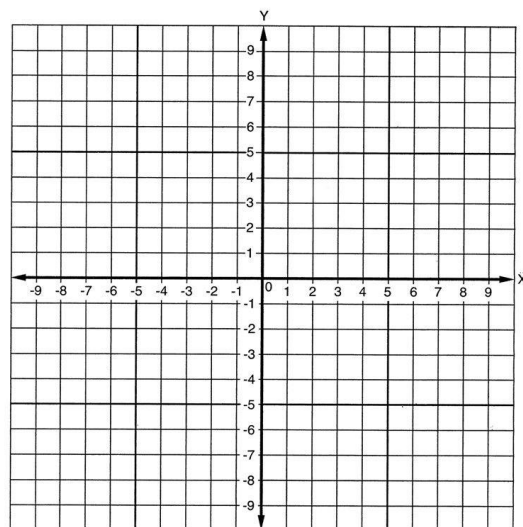
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3.  $y = 8 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^x - 1$  stretch/shrink/neither  
growth/decay

a: \_\_\_\_\_ domain: \_\_\_\_\_  
b: \_\_\_\_\_ range: \_\_\_\_\_  
h: \_\_\_\_\_ y-intercept: \_\_\_\_\_  
k: \_\_\_\_\_ Asymptote: \_\_\_\_\_

x	y



## Review of Exponential Growth/Decay Word Problems:

4. The Mendez family just bought a home for \$180,000. If the value of the home increases at a rate of 3% per year, use an exponential function to find the approximate value of the home after 10 years.

- A. \$258,000      B. \$250,000  
C. \$242,000      D. \$234,000

5. Doug purchased land for \$8,000 in 1995. The value of the land depreciated by 4% each year thereafter. Use an exponential function to find the approximate value of the land in 2002.

- A. \$5,760      B. \$5,771  
C. \$6,012      D. \$6,262

## Part II – Linear vs. Exponential Functions

Exponential Functions:  $y = a \cdot b^{x-h} + k$  **or**  $f(x) = a \cdot b^{x-h} + k$

- Shows growth/decay at consecutive intervals
- Looks like a normal or backwards “L” or “r” graphically
- **Key words:** increasing, decreasing, lost, depreciate

Linear Functions:  $y = mx + b$

- Shows a constant rate of change
- Looks like a straight line graphically
- **Key words:** each

6. Decide whether the word problem represents a linear or exponential function. Circle either linear or exponential. Then write the function formula.

a) A library has 8000 books and is adding 500 more books each year.

linear or exponential       $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_

b) A gym’s customers must pay \$50 for a membership, plus \$3 for each time they use the gym.

linear or exponential       $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_

c) A bank account starts with \$10. Every month, the amount of money in the account is tripled.

linear or exponential       $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_

d) At the start of a carnival, you have 50 ride tickets. Each time you ride the roller coaster, you have to pay 6 tickets.

linear or exponential       $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_

e) There are 20,000 owls in the wild. Every decade, the number of owls is halved.

linear or exponential       $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_