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NOTES: Section 7.1 – Graph Exponential Growth Functions

Goals: #1 - I can graph exponential growth functions and state the domain and range.

#2 - I can use an exponential growth model in a real life situation.

#3 - I can use an exponential growth model in a real life situation involving compound interest.



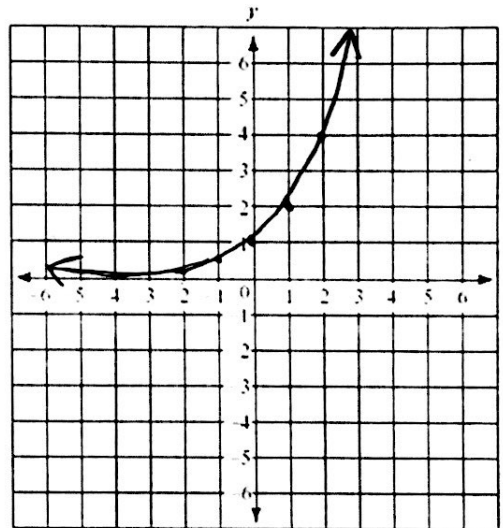
Homework: Lesson 7.1 Worksheet

Exploration #1: Work with a partner and answer the following questions.

1. Complete the table of values to graph the following function.

$$y = 2^x$$

x	y
-2	$\frac{1}{4}$
-1	$\frac{1}{2}$
0	1
1	2
2	4

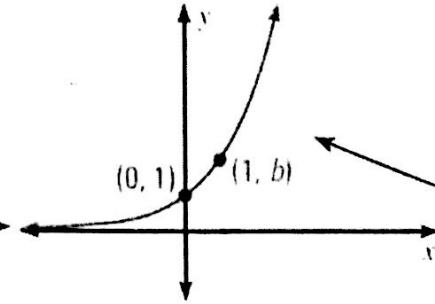


Notes:

An exponential function has the form: $y = a \cdot b^x$
 where $a \neq 0$ and the base b is a positive number other than 1.

If $b > 1$, then the exponential function is an exponential growth function.

The x-axis is an asymptote of the graph. An asymptote is a line that a graph approaches more and more closely.



The graph rises from left to right, passing through the points (0, 1) and (1, b).

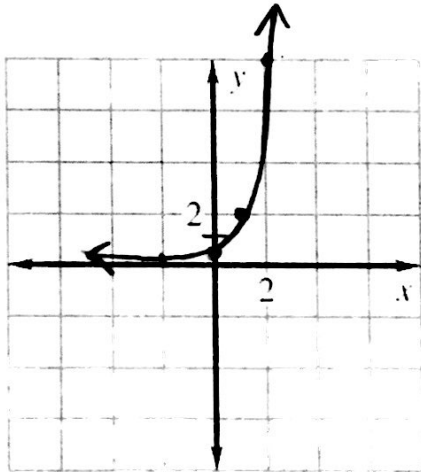
$$y = a \cdot b^x$$

\uparrow \uparrow
 y-int growth
 initial factor
 amount

Example #1: Graph the function. Then state the domain and range.

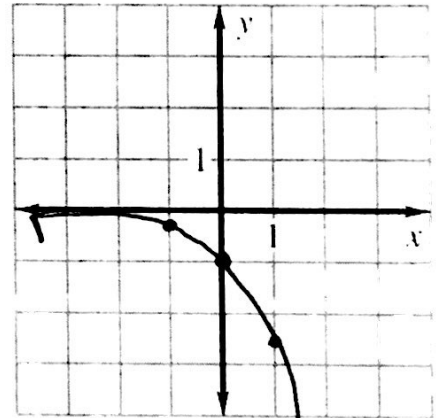
1. $y = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4^x$

2. $y = -\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^x$



x	y
-1	1/8
0	1/2
1	2
2	8

domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 range: $(0, \infty)$



x	y
-1	-2/5
0	-1
1	-2.5
2	-6.25

domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 range: $(-\infty, 0)$

Exploration #1: Work with a partner and answer the following questions.

1. What transformation would happen if we added k to $y = a \cdot b^x + k$

vertical shift (up or down)

2. What transformation would happen if we subtracted h to $y = a \cdot b^{x-h}$

horizontal shift (left or right)

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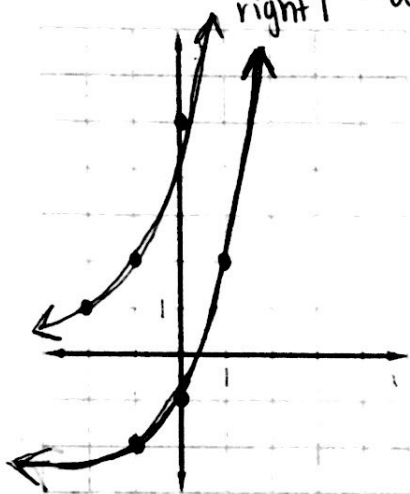
Notes:

To graph a function of the form $y = a \cdot b^{x-h} + k$, begin by sketching the graph of $y = a \cdot b^x$

Then translate the graph horizontally by h units and vertically by k units.

Example #2: Graph the function. Then state the domain and range.

1. $y = 4 \cdot 2^{x-1} - 3$
 right 1 down 3 $y = 4 \cdot 2^x$



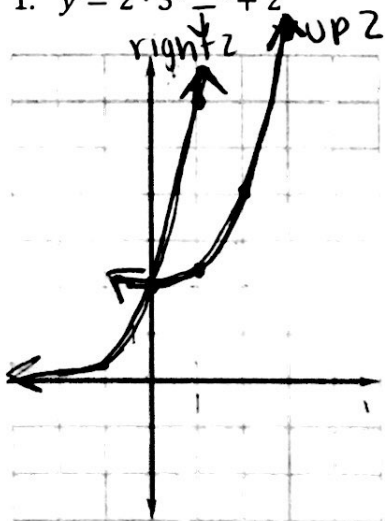
x	y
-1	2
0	4
1	8
2	16
-2	1

domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

range: $(-3, \infty)$
(down 3)

You practice: Graph the function. Then state the domain and range.

1. $y = 2 \cdot 3^{x-2} + 2$



$y = 2 \cdot 3^x$

x	y
-1	$2/3$
0	2
1	6
2	18

domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

range: $(2, \infty)$

Notes:

When a real-life quantity increases by a fixed percent each year (or other time period), the amount y of the quantity after t years can be modeled by the equation

$$y = a(1+r)^t \rightarrow \text{time (years)}$$

\uparrow initial amount \uparrow percent (decimal)
 growth factor

Example #3: Use the model to identify the initial amount, the growth factor, and the annual percent increase.

1. $y = 2500(1.50)^t$
 initial amt: 2500
 growth factor: 1.50
 % increase: 50%

$1.5 = 1 + r$
 $-1 \quad -1$
 $r = 0.5$
 50%

2. $y = 0.42(2.47)^t$
 initial amt: 0.42
 growth factor: 2.47
 % increase: 147%

$2.47 = 1 + r$
 $-1 \quad -1$
 $r = 1.47$
 = 147%

Example #3: In the last 12 years, an initial population of 38 buffalo in a state park grew by about 7% per year.

1. Write an exponential growth model giving the number n of buffalo after t years.

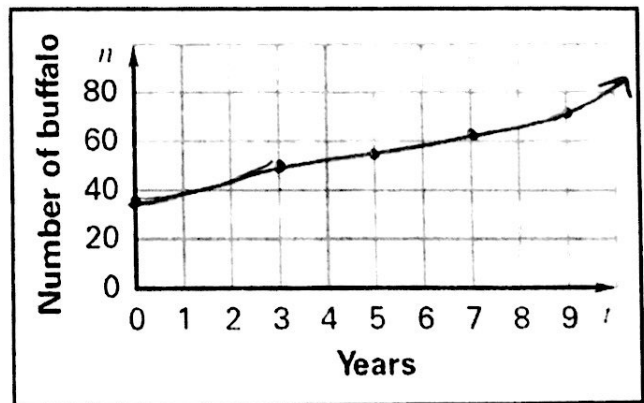
$y = a(1+r)^t$
 $y = 38(1+0.07)^t$
 $y = 38(1.07)^t$

2. About how many buffalo were in the park after 7 years?

$y = 38(1.07)^7$
 $y \approx 61$ buffalo

3. Graph the model. Use the graph to estimate the year when there were about 53 buffalo.

t	y
0	38
3	47
5	53
7	61
9	70



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Notes:

Exponential growth functions are used in real-life situations involving compound interest.

Compound interest is interest paid on an initial investment, called the principal and on previously earned interest.

To represent compound interest we use the equation:

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n} \right)^{nt}$$

amount \downarrow \downarrow principal (initial amt) \downarrow rate (decimal) \downarrow n: times compounded \downarrow time (years)

Annually: 1

Semi-annually: 2

Quarterly: 4

Monthly: 12

Daily: 365

Example #4: You deposit \$2900 in an account that pays 3.5% annual interest. Find the balance after 1 year if the interest is compounded monthly and annually.

1. With interest compounded monthly, the balance after 1 year is:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 2900 \left(1 + \frac{0.035}{12} \right)^{12 \cdot 1} \\ &= 2900 (1.003)^{12} \\ &= \boxed{\$3003.14} \end{aligned}$$

2. With interest compounded annually, the balance after 1 year is:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 2900 \left(1 + \frac{0.035}{1} \right)^{1 \cdot 1} \\ &= 2900 (1.035)^1 \\ &= \boxed{\$3001.50} \end{aligned}$$