

## 2.3 Exponential Functions

AP Precalculus

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**CA #2**

**Identify if the function is exponential growth or decay and justify your response.**

1.  $f(x) = 6.7 \left(\frac{5}{21}\right)^x$

Exponential  
Growth or Decay

2.  $f(x) = \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^x$

Exponential  
Growth or Decay

3.  $f(x) = 1.4(0.07)^x$

Exponential  
Growth or Decay

4.  $f(x) = 6(2.06)^x$

Exponential  
Growth or Decay

**The following values are output values of an exponential function of the form  $f(x) = a \cdot b^x$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. Write the function along with the input value that represents the output value.**

5.  $0.6 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 2$

$f(x) =$

where  $x =$

6.  $2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 0.6$

$f(x) =$

where  $x =$

7.  $1.7 \cdot 1.7 \cdot 1.7 \cdot 1.7$

$f(x) =$

where  $x =$

8.  $4 \cdot 5 \cdot 5$

$f(x) =$

where  $x =$

**Answer the questions for each exponential function.**

9.  $f(x) = (0.9)^x$

a. Is the function increasing or decreasing?

b. Is the function concave up or concave down?

c. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$

d. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$

10.  $f(x) = -5 \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^x$

a. Is the function increasing or decreasing?

b. Is the function concave up or concave down?

c. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$

d. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$

11.  $f(x) = 2(6)^x$

a. Is the function increasing or decreasing?

b. Is the function concave up or concave down?

c. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$

d. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$

12.  $f(x) = -24(2.3)^x$

a. Is the function increasing or decreasing?

b. Is the function concave up or concave down?

c. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$

d. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$

Answers to 2.3 CA #2

1. Decay because $a > 0$ and $0 < b < 1$	2. Growth because $a > 0$ and $b > 1$	3. Decay because $a > 0$ and $0 < b < 1$	4. Growth because $a > 0$ and $b > 1$
5. $f(x) = 2(0.6)^x$ where $x = 5$	6. $f(x) = 0.6(2)^x$ where $x = 3$	7. $f(x) = 1.7^x$ where $x = 4$	8. $f(x) = 4(5)^x$ where $x = 2$
9. a. Decreasing b. Concave up c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$ d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$	10. a. Increasing b. Concave down c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$ d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$	11. a. Increasing b. Concave up c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$ d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$	12. a. Decreasing b. Concave down c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$ d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$