

7.1 – Exponential Functions

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PRACTICE 7.1

Solve each equation for the unknown variable.

$$1. \quad 27^{3x} = 9$$

$$(3^3)^{3x} = 3^2$$

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

$$9x = 2$$

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

$$2. \quad 25^{-k} \cdot 5^3 = 625$$

$$(5^2)^{-k} \cdot 5^3 = 5^4$$

$$5^{-2k} \cdot 5^3 = 5^4$$

$$5^{-2k+3} = 5^4$$

$$-2k+3 = 4$$

$$-2k = 1$$

$$k = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$3. \quad \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-3x+3} = 27^x$$

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

$$3^{3x-3} = 3^{3x}$$

$$3x-3 = 3x$$

$$-3 = 0$$

NO Solution.

$$4. \quad (5^{2x})(x+2) = 1$$

$$5^{2x^2+4x} = 5^0$$

$$2x^2+4x = 0$$

$$2x(x+2) = 0$$

$$2x = 0 \quad x+2 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ OR } x = -2$$

$$5. \quad \frac{(7)^{4x^2}}{7^8} = 7$$

$$4x^2 - 8 = 1$$

$$4x^2 = 9$$

$$(2x-3)(2x+3) = 0$$

$$x = \pm \frac{3}{2}$$

$$6. \quad 32^{-3a-2} = 64^{a-1}$$

$$(2^5)^{-3a-2} = (2^6)^{a-1}$$

$$2^{-15a-10} = 2^{6a-6}$$

$$-15a-10 = 6a-6$$

$$-4 = 21a$$

$$-\frac{4}{21} = a$$

7. The website Bankrate.com publishes a weekly list of the top savings deposit yields. In the category of 3-year certificates of deposit, the following were listed. Which bank should you choose for a \$5000 investment? Decide by completing the table. **BEAN COUNTERS ARE THE CHEAPEST!**

Bank	APR	Compounded	Initial Investment	Value after 3 Yrs
The Brust Price Bank	3.12%	Quarterly $n=4$	\$5000	5488.61
\$ully.com	3.00%	Daily $n=365$	\$5000	5470.85
Kelly-Green\$ Bank	2.96%	Monthly $n=12$	\$5000	5463.71
BeanCounters.com	2.75%	Continuously	\$5000	5429.99

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

$$A = Pe^{rt}$$

8. Find each missing value in the table.

Initial Value	% Change	Growth or Decay?	Equation
1.25	Loss of 25%	Decay	$y = 1.25(1 - 0.25)^x$
1.25	GAIN 25%	GROWTH	$y = 1.25(1.25)^x$
0.75	GAIN 25%	GROWTH	$y = 0.75(1.25)^x$
0.75	LOSS 25%	DECAY	$y = 0.75(0.75)^x$
3	GAIN 100%	GROWTH	$y = 3(2)^x$
-5	Loss of 94%	DECAY	$y = -5(0.06)^x$
2.45	Gain of 415%	GROWTH	$y = 2.45(5.15)^x$
a	Loss of r%	DECAY	$y = a(1-r)^x$

$$100\% - 94\% = 6\%$$

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9. The equation $y = 25,000(1 + 0.04)^x$ models the salary of an employee who receives an annual raise.

Give the meaning of each number and variable in this equation.

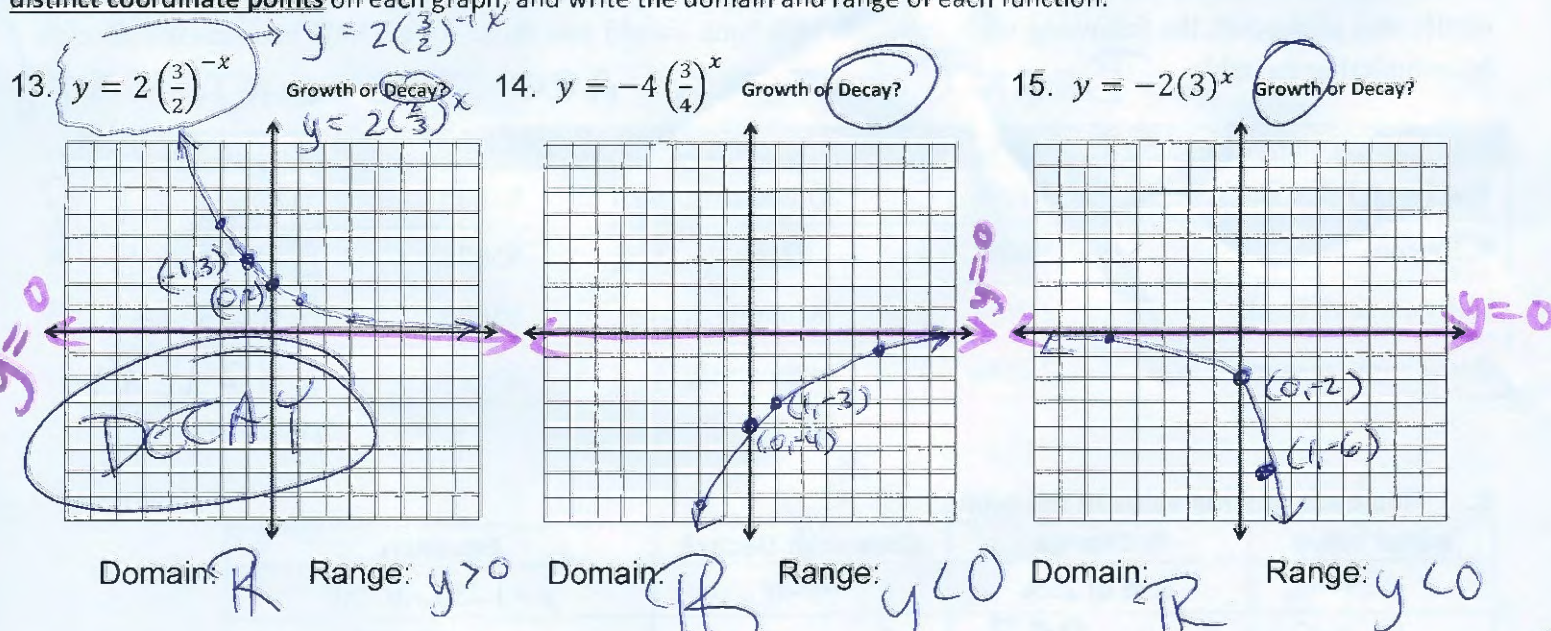
25,000: STARTING SALARY 0.04: 4% RAISE 1: 100% of CURRENT SALARY

A ball is dropped from a height of 12 feet and is allowed to bounce over and over. The height of each bounce is modeled in the exponential DECAY model below.

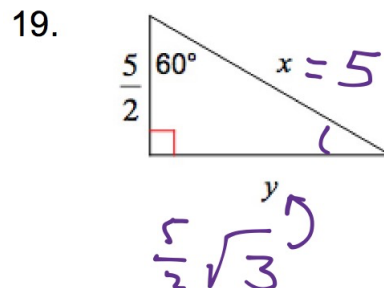
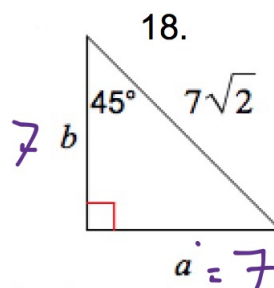
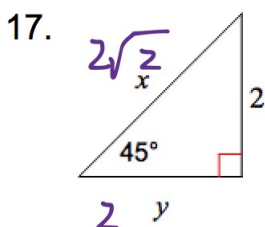
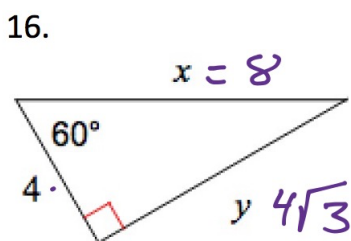
Bounce	0	1	2	3	4	...	8	...	100
Height (ft)	12	7.8	5.07	3.2955	2.142075	...	???	...	???

10. Function: $y = 12(.65)^x$ 11. 8th Bounce: 0.3824 ft 12. 100th Bounce: 2.3×10^{-18}
 $\frac{7.8}{12} = .65$

For 13 -15, sketch the graph of each exponential function by doing the following: Sketch the asymptote, label at least two distinct coordinate points on each graph, and write the domain and range of each function.



Change Up! Solve for the missing side lengths. Leave your answers in simplest radical form.



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