

Continuity & Continuous Functions

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1. Give an informal description of a continuous function:

No jumps or breaks

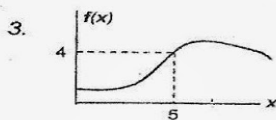
You can trace the graph without lifting your pencil!!

2. What is the technical definition for a function f to be continuous at $x = a$? Explain what is implied in this definition.

f is continuous at a point $x = a$ if and only if $\lim f(x) = f(a)$

****This means-**

- 1) the limit must exist
- 2) $f(a)$ must exist (a is in the domain of f)
- 3) the limit must equal $f(a)$



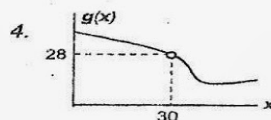
What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} f(x)$?

What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} f(x)$?

What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x)$?

What is $f(5)$?

Is f continuous at $x = 5$?



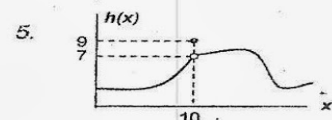
$\lim_{x \rightarrow 30^+} g(x) =$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 30^-} g(x) =$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 30} g(x) =$

$g(30) =$

Is g continuous at $x = 30$?



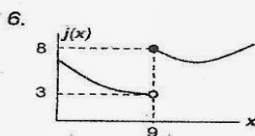
$\lim_{x \rightarrow 10^+} h(x) =$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 10^-} h(x) =$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 10} h(x) =$

$h(10) =$

Is h continuous at $x = 10$?



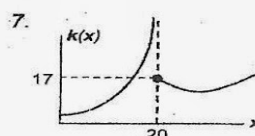
What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9^+} j(x)$?

What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9^-} j(x)$?

What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} j(x)$?

What is $j(9)$?

Is j continuous at $x = 9$?



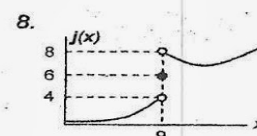
What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 20^+} k(x)$?

What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 20^-} k(x)$?

What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 20} k(x)$?

What is $k(20)$?

Is k continuous at $x = 20$?



What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9^+} j(x)$?

What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9^-} j(x)$?

What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} j(x)$?

What is $j(9)$?

Is j continuous at $x = 9$?