

H. Exponential growth graphs approach the asymptote as  $x$  approaches negative infinity.  
 Exponential decay graphs approach the asymptote as  $x$  approaches positive infinity.

I. Describe the transformations associated with  $a$ ,  $c$  and  $d$  in  $y = a(b)^{x-c} + d$   
 $a > 0$ : same, steepness  $a < 0$ : reflects on  $y$ -axis, steepness  
 $c > 0$ : shifts right  $c < 0$ : shifts left  
 $d > 0$ : shifts up  $d < 0$ : shifts down

J. Write an exponential function whose graph passes through the points  $(0, 8)$  and  $(3, 1)$ .

$y = ab^x$   $8 = ab^0 \Rightarrow 8 = a \cdot 1$  so  $a = 8$   
 $1 = 8b^3$   $b^3 = \frac{1}{8}$   $b = \frac{1}{2}$   $y = 8(\frac{1}{2})^x$   
 Does this function represent growth or decay?  
decay

K. Given the equation  $y = a(1+r)^t$ ,

' $a$ ' stands for initial amount  
 ' $r$ ' stands for rate (convert percent  $\rightarrow$  decimal)  
 ' $t$ ' stands for time  
 $(1+r)$  is referred to as the growth rate

Given the equation  $y = a(1-r)^t$ ,

$(1-r)$  is referred to as the depreciation / rate of decay

L. What is the equation for compound interest?

$y = a(1 + \frac{r}{n})^{nt}$  (finite compounding)  $y = Pe^{rt}$  or  $y = Aekt$  (continuous)

M. You are choosing a new account for your savings. Your bank offers an account with 3% simple interest, 2 1/4 % interest compounded quarterly, or 2 1/2 % interest compounded monthly. If you plan to invest \$2000 for 10 years, which is the best deal? (Show total amounts for each)

(A)  $2000(1+0.03)^{10}$  (B)  $2000(1 + \frac{0.025}{4})^{40}$  (C)  $2000(1 + \frac{0.025}{12})^{120}$   
 $\approx 2687.83$   $\approx 2630.58$   $\approx 2567.38$

Choose the simple interest

N. Write the Property of Equality for Exponential Functions: If  $b$  is a positive number other than 1, then  $b^x = b^y$  iff  $x = y$ .

P. Solve:  $4^{\sqrt{x}} = 16^{\sqrt{5}}$   
 $4^{\sqrt{x}} = (4^2)^{\sqrt{5}}$   
 $\sqrt{x} = 2\sqrt{5} \Rightarrow x = 20$   
 $3^{2x-1} = \frac{1}{9}$   
 $3^{2x-1} = 3^{-2}$   
 $2x-1 = -2$   
 $2x = -1$   $x = -1/2$

$27^x = 3^{2x+3}$   
 $(3^3)^x = 3^{2x+3}$   $x = 3$   
 $3^x = 2x+3$   
 $7^{3x} = 49^{x^2}$   
 $7^{3x} = (7^2)^{x^2}$   
 $3x = 2x^2$   
 $2x^2 - 3x = 0$   
 $x(2x-3) = 0$   
 $x = 0$   $x = 3/2$