

APPC Lesson 4.4 Homework


Name _____

1. Identify whether each scenario represents exponential growth, exponential decay, or neither. Give a reason for your answer.

a. The volume of a cube as the side length grows

b. The price of a shirt with a 40% off coupon

c. The reselling value of a car based on its age in years

-  2. The number of students enrolled at a certain university increases by 3% each year. In 2010, the university has 27,360 students enrolled. Write an equation for a function n , where $n(t)$ models the number of enrollments per year and t is the time in years since 2010.

3. Determine if each equation represents exponential growth, exponential decay, or neither. Give a reason for your answer.

a. $y = 3 \cdot 4.25^x$

b. $y = 3x^4 - 5$

c. $y = -2 \left(\frac{4}{3} \right)^x$

d. $y = 5(0.28)^x$

4. Selected values of an exponential function, f , are given in the table. Complete the rest of the table.

x	0	1	2	3	4	5
$f(x)$		24	36			

5. An exponential function of the form $y = ab^x$ passes through $(2, 40)$ and $(5, 5)$. Find the value of a and b .

6. A company emails its initial weekly newsletter to 65 people. Two weeks after this launch, the company emails the weekly newsletter to 75 people.
- Assume that the number of people receiving the newsletter each week increases in a linear relationship. Write an equation for a function R , where function $R(t)$ is the number of people receiving the newsletter t weeks after the launch.
 - Assume that the number of people receiving the newsletter each week increases exponentially. Write an equation for a function N , where $N(t)$ is the approximate number of people receiving the newsletter t weeks after the launch.
 - Which model do you think is more accurate? Explain.
7. A new Ford Escape is valued at \$26,010, but depreciates by 8% each year. Write, but do not evaluate, an expression that gives the value of the Ford Escape after 7 years.

8. The amount of ibuprofen, in mg, remaining in an adult's bloodstream after taking one dose can be modeled by $P(t) = 400(0.71)^t$, where t is the time in hours since taking the ibuprofen.

- a. How many mg of ibuprofen are in one adult dose? How do you know?
- b. What percent of the ibuprofen is eliminated each hour? How do you know?

9. Duska drinks a 12 -ounce cup of coffee that has 142 milligrams of caffeine in it. After 1 hour she has approximately 126.4 mg of caffeine left in her body. The amount of caffeine in her blood stream changes by a constant factor each hour.

- a. Does this situation model exponential growth or decay? Explain.
- b. What percentage of the caffeine remains in her bloodstream each hour?
- c. Write an equation for a function c , where $c(t)$ gives the approximate number of milligrams of caffeine in her body after t hours.