

Worksheet ---- Functions

Definition: A **function** is a correspondence between a first set and a second set such that each element in the first set corresponds to exactly one element in the second set.

The first set is called the **domain**. The second set is called the **range**.

Notation: In the equation $f(x) = 3x - 5$, x represents an arbitrary input and $f(x)$ represents the corresponding output. This function may be written $y = 3x - 5$, where x is the independent variable and y is the dependent variable.

Example: Given y is a linear function of x . An ordered pair for this function is (x, y) . An equation for is linear function could be written $y = mx + b$ or $f(x) = mx + b$.

1. Complete the following:
 - (a) Income(**I**) is a linear function of the hours worked(**h**). An ordered pair for this function is (\quad, \quad) .
An equation for this function is _____.
 - (b) Property taxes(**t**) are a linear function of property value (**v**). An ordered pair for this function is (\quad, \quad) .
An equation for this function is _____.

2. In January, Pedro's gas bill for 12 units of gas was \$50.00. In February, his gas bill was \$64.00 for 16 units of gas. Express this relation as a linear function.

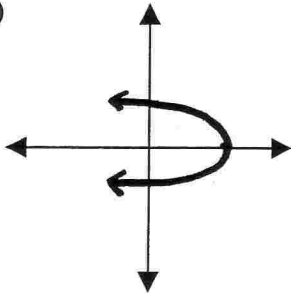
3. A water company charged \$16.75 for 9 cubic feet of water. For 18 cubic feet, it charged \$25.75. Express this relation as a linear function.

4. An assembly plant pays its line workers \$7.60 per hour plus \$0.85 per item assembled. Write a linear function for **H**, the hourly wage earned when **n** items are assembled per hour.

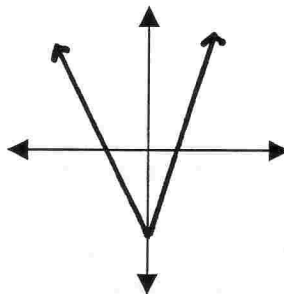
Vertical Line Test: If a vertical line intersects a graph in more than one point, the graph is not the graph of a function.

5. Determine whether each of the following is the graph of a function:

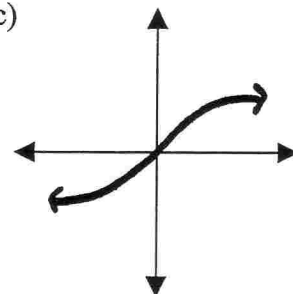
(a)



(b)



(c)



6. Find the domain and range of each function:

(a) $f(x) = -x + 3$

(d) $f(x) = x^2 - 3$

(b) $g(x) = |x|$

(e) $h(x) = \sqrt{x - 2}$

(c) $g(x) = x^3 + 2$

7. Assume $g(x) = 3x^2 - 2x$, find :

(a) $g(0)$

(d) $g(a)$

(b) $g(-1)$

(e) $g(2a)$

(c) $g(3)$

(f) $g(a - 1)$

8. Find the domain of $f(x)$:

(a) $f(x) = \frac{2}{x-3}$

(c) $f(x) = \frac{2}{3x-5}$

(b) $f(x) = 3x - 1$

(d) $f(x) = |4x - 3|$