Slopes & Velocity Homework

1. Suppose an object moves in one direction along a line so that its position f(t) (in meters) at time t (in seconds) is given by $f(t) = 3t^2$.

a) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 0 to t = 3?

b) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 0 to t = 5?

c) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 2 to t = 5?

d) What is the instantaneous velocity of the object at t = 2?

e) What is the instantaneous velocity of the object at t = 5?

2. Suppose an object moves in one direction along a line so that its position f(t) (in meters) at time t (in seconds) is given by $f(t) = \sqrt{t} + 2$.

a) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 0 to t = 4?

b) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 0 to t = 9?

c) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 4 to t = 25?

d) What is the instantaneous velocity of the object at t = 9?

e) What is the instantaneous velocity of the object at t = 16?

3. Suppose an object moves in one direction along a line so that its position f(t) (in meters) at time t (in seconds) is given by $f(t) = \frac{2}{t}$.

a) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 1 to t = 3?

b) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 1 to t = 5?

c) What is the average velocity of the object from t = 2 to t = 5?

d) What is the instantaneous velocity of the object at t = 2?

e) What is the instantaneous velocity of the object at t = 4?

4. $f(x) = 3x^2 - 5x + 2$

a) Find the slope of the secant line to the graph of f passing through the points at x = 2 and x = 4.

b) Find the slope of the secant line to the graph of *f* passing through the points at x = 2 and x = 5.

c) Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of f at the point with x = 2.

d) Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of f at the point with x = 4.

e) Find the equation (in y = mx + b form) of the tangent line to the graph of *f* at the point with x = 2. f) Find the equation (in y = mx + b form) of the tangent line to the graph of *f* at the point with x = 4.

5.
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3x} - 4$$

a) Find the slope of the secant line to the graph of *f* passing through the points at x = 2 and x = 4.

b) Find the slope of the secant line to the graph of *f* passing through the points at $x = \frac{1}{6}$ and $x = \frac{1}{3}$.

c) Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of f at the point with x = 2.

d) Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of f at the point with $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

e) Find the equation (in y = mx + b form) of the tangent line to the graph of *f* at the point with x = 2.

f) Find the equation (in y = mx + b form) of the tangent line to the graph of f at the point with $x = \frac{1}{3}$.

6. $f(x) = \sqrt{3x}$

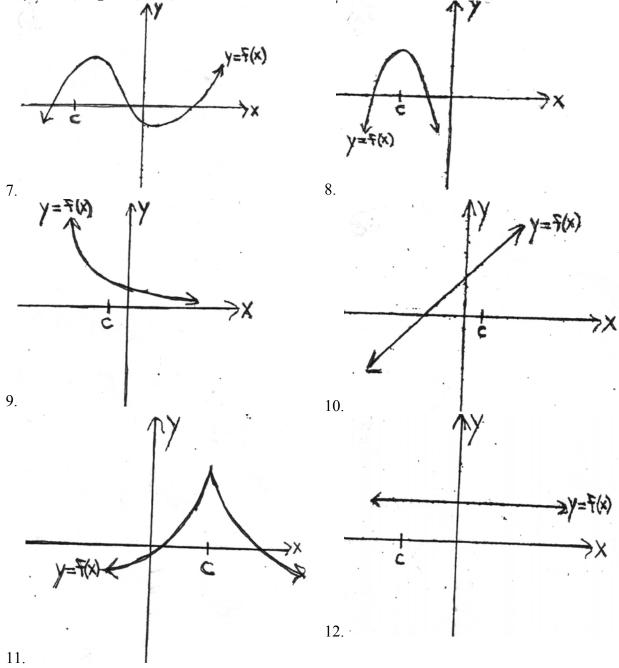
a) Find the slope of the secant line to the graph of *f* passing through the points at x = 3 and x = 12. b) Find the slope of the secant line to the graph of *f* passing through the points at x = 3 and x = 27. c) Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of *f* at the point with x = 3.

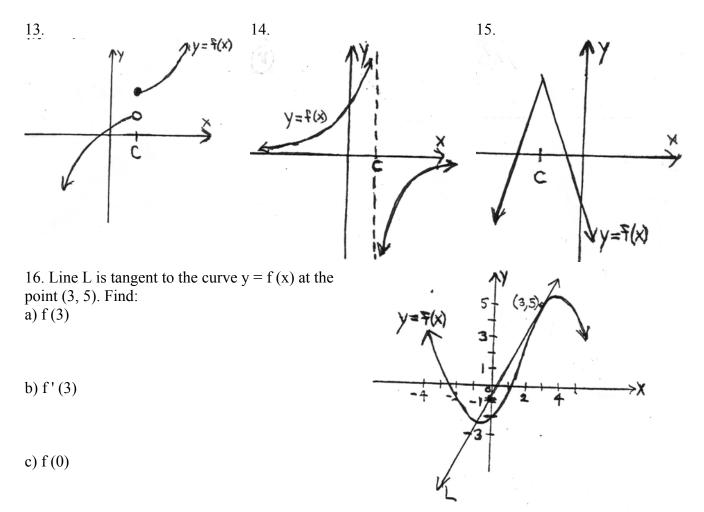
d) Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of f at the point with x = 12.

e) Find the equation (in y = mx + b form) of the tangent line to the graph of f at the point with x = 3.

f) Find the equation (in y = mx + b form) of the tangent line to the graph of f at the point with x = 12.

For problems 7-15, draw the tangent line to the graph of y = f(x) at x = c. Also, for each, classify f'(c) as positive, negative, zero, or nonexistent.





17. Multiple Choice. Indicate which one of the graphs below could depict a function f that has the following properties: c < 0, f(c) < 0, and f'(c) < 0.

