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**II**

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REGENTS HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION

**ALGEBRA II**

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## Part I

Answer all 24 questions in this part. Each correct answer will receive 2 credits. No partial credit will be allowed. Utilize the information provided for each question to determine your answer. Note that diagrams are not necessarily drawn to scale. For each statement or question, choose the word or expression that, of those given, best completes the statement or answers the question. Record your answers on your separate answer sheet. [48]

1 Which value is a zero of  $a(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x - 12$ ?

(1)  $-12$

(3)  $3$

(2)  $-3$

(4)  $0$

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computations.**

2 Annie, Brianna, Chandra, Dee, Evan, and Fe are the six candidates running for office in Parkway High School's student organization. If Brianna and Dee are running for president and  $P$  is the set of candidates running for president, what is  $P'$ , the complement of  $P$ ?

(1)  $\{ \}$

(2)  $\{\text{Annie, Brianna, Chandra, Dee, Evan, Fe}\}$

(3)  $\{\text{Brianna, Dee}\}$

(4)  $\{\text{Annie, Chandra, Evan, Fe}\}$

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**3** A man wants to have his car repaired but does not want to spend more than \$1500 for the repairs. The mechanic says that the parts needed will cost \$930 and the labor will cost an additional \$65 per hour. Which inequality could be used to find the greatest number of hours,  $h$ , the mechanic can work without exceeding this man's budget?

(1)  $995h \leq 1500$

(3)  $930 + 65h \leq 1500$

(2)  $65 + 930h > 505$

(4)  $930 + 65h > 1500$

**4** Given  $x \neq -1$ ,  $\frac{x^3 + 5x^2 + 2x - 8}{x + 1}$  is equivalent to

(1)  $x^2 + 4x + 2 - \frac{10}{x + 1}$

(3)  $x^2 + 6x - 4 - \frac{4}{x + 1}$

(2)  $x^2 + 6x + 8$

(4)  $x^2 + 4x - 2 - \frac{6}{x + 1}$

5 The expression  $k^3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{8k^2}$  can be rewritten as

(1)  $2k^{\frac{11}{3}}$

(3)  $24k^2$

(2)  $2k^5$

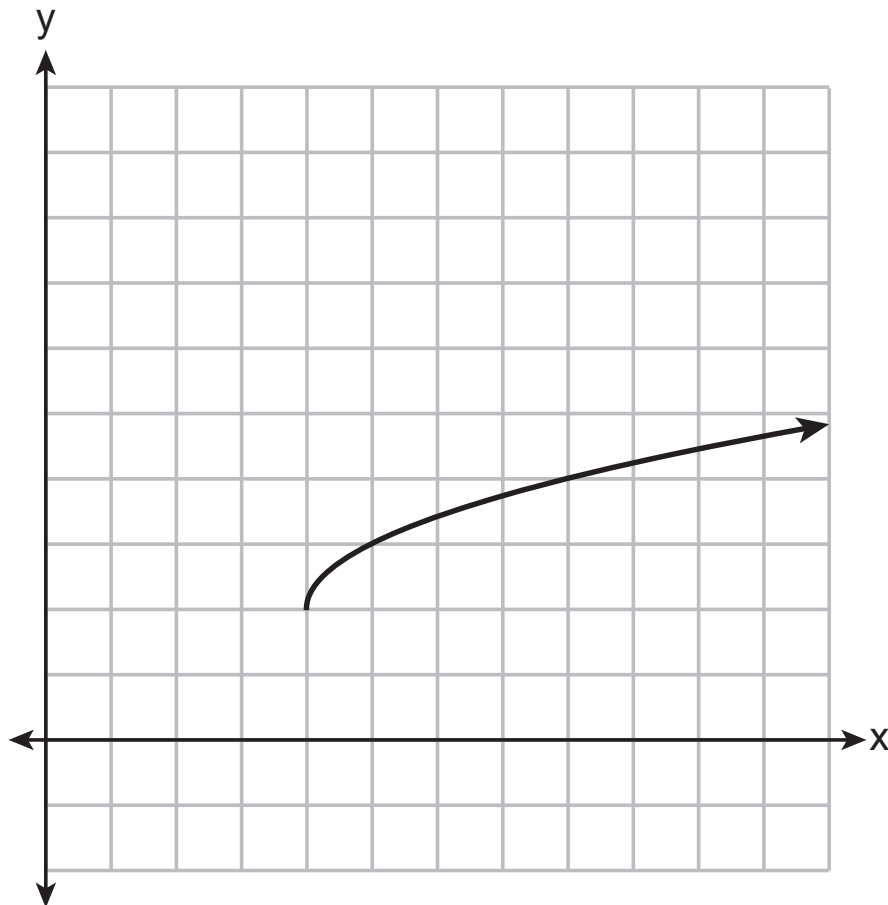
(4)  $4k^{\frac{11}{3}}$

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6 Consider the graph of  $y = f(x)$  below.

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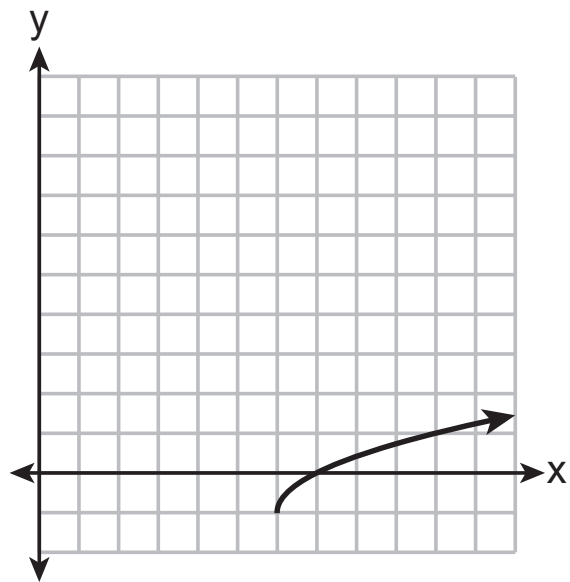


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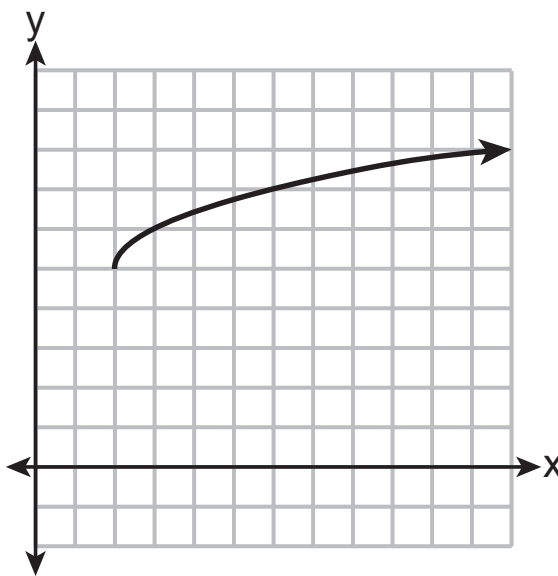
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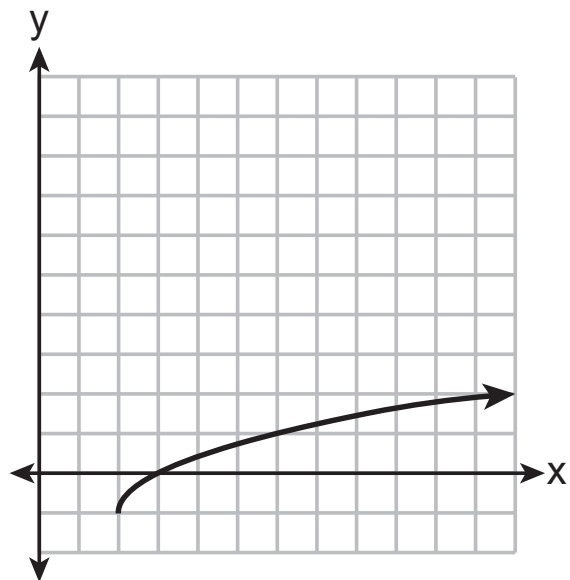
Which graph represents  $y = f(x + 2) - 3$ ?



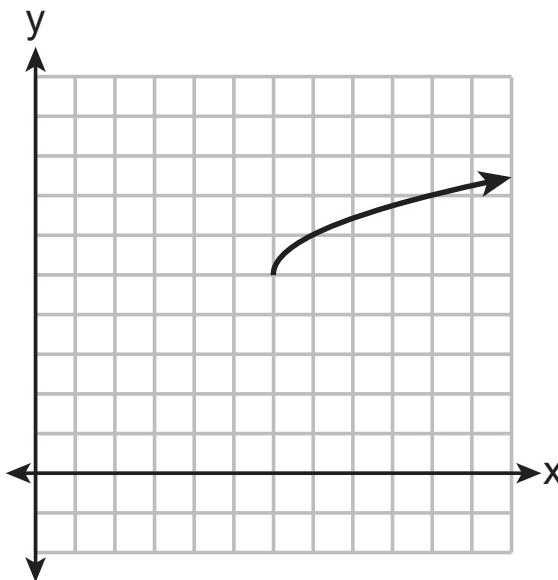
(1)



(3)



(2)



(4)

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7 What is the growth rate of the function  $y = 475(1.038)^x$ ?

- (1) 1.038%                      (3) 3.8%  
(2) 0.038%                      (4) 38%

8 What are the solutions to the system of equations below?

$$(x - 5)^2 + y^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$x + y - 9 = 0$$

- (1)  $x = 5$  and  $x = 9$                       (3)  $(9, 0)$ , only  
(2)  $(5, 4)$ , only                      (4)  $(5, 4)$  and  $(9, 0)$

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**9** The sum of the first five terms of the geometric sequence 800, 600, 450, ... is

(1) 253.125

(3) 2440.625

(2) 300

(4) 2500

**10** The number of hours per day of total screen time on electronic devices for the 3000 students at Lakeside High School is approximately normally distributed with a mean of 4.6 hours and a standard deviation of 2.5 hours. Approximately how many students at the school spent more than 5 hours per day on electronic devices?

(1) 1691

(3) 880

(2) 1309

(4) 863

11 What is the solution set to the equation  $\frac{4x}{4x-3} + \frac{2}{x} = \frac{3}{4x-3}$ ?

(1)  $\{-2\}$

(3)  $\left\{-2, \frac{3}{4}\right\}$

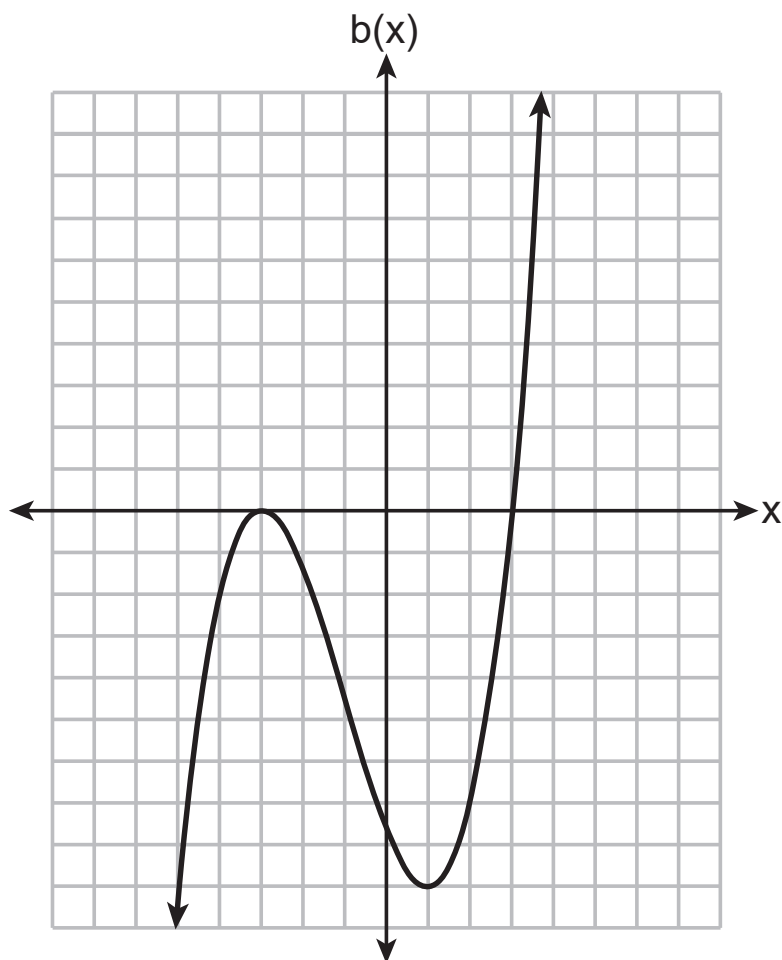
(2)  $\left\{\frac{3}{4}\right\}$

(4)  $\{\}$

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12 The cubic polynomial function  $b(x)$  is graphed below.

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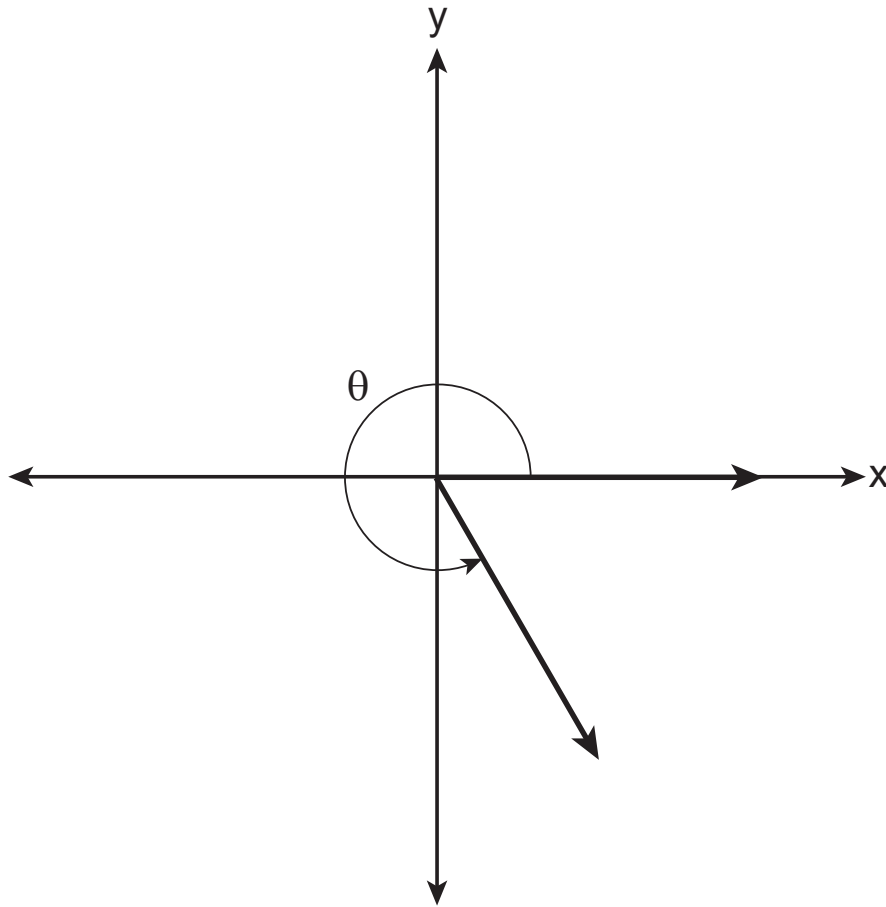


Which statement is true for this function?

- (1) The leading coefficient of this function is negative.
- (2) A real root is repeated since it has a multiplicity greater than 1.
- (3) The function is increasing over the domain  $-3 < x < 1$ .
- (4) As  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $b(x) \rightarrow \infty$ .

13 Consider the diagram shown below, where  $\theta$  is an angle in standard position, and  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ .

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Which value could represent the radian measure of  $\theta$ ?

(1)  $\frac{5\pi}{6}$

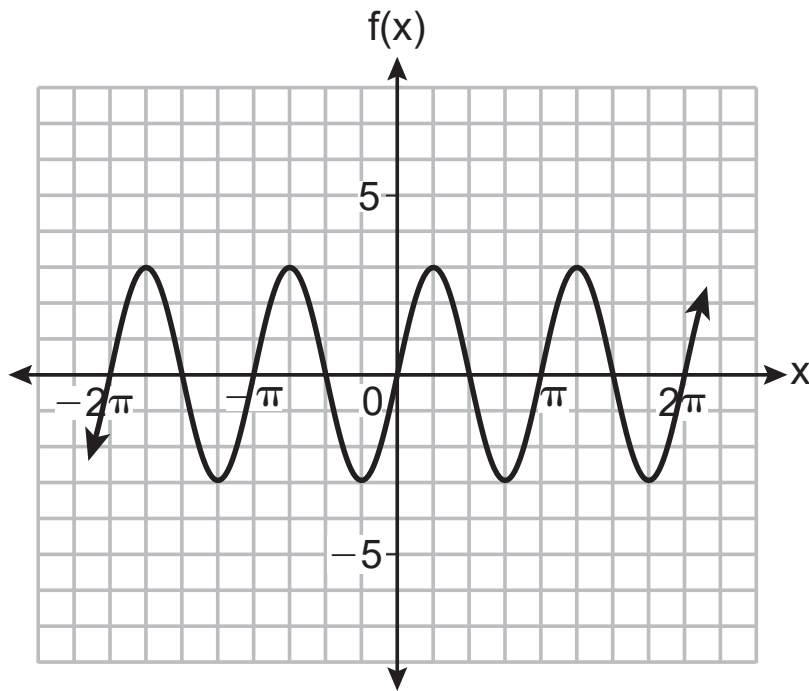
(3)  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$

(2)  $\frac{5\pi}{3}$

(4)  $-\frac{\pi}{3}$

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14 The graph of the sinusoidal function  $f(x)$  is shown below.



The function  $g$  is defined by the equation  $g(x) = 2\sin(3x)$ . Which statement is true?

- (1)  $f$  has a greater maximum and a higher frequency than  $g$ .
- (2)  $f$  has a smaller maximum and a higher frequency than  $g$ .
- (3)  $f$  has a greater maximum and a lower frequency than  $g$ .
- (4)  $f$  has a smaller maximum and a lower frequency than  $g$ .

**15** The expression  $\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{-\frac{3}{4}}$ ,  $x \neq 0$ , is equivalent to

(1)  $\left(\sqrt[4]{x^2}\right)^3$

(3)  $-\left(\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{x^2}}\right)^3$

(2)  $\left(\sqrt[3]{x^2}\right)^4$

(4)  $-\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{x^2}}\right)^4$

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**16** The expression  $3xy - 27x^3y^3$  is equivalent to

(1)  $3xy(1 + 9x^2y^2)$

(3)  $3xy(1 + xy)(1 - xy)$

(2)  $3xy(1 + 9xy)(1 - 9xy)$

(4)  $3xy(1 + 3xy)(1 - 3xy)$

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**17** If  $f(x) = (x^2 + x + 3)$  and  $g(x) = (x^2 - 8x + 1)$ , then  $f(x) \cdot g(x)$  is equal to

(1)  $x^4 - 9x^3 - 4x^2 - 23x + 3$

(2)  $x^4 - 7x^3 + 5x^2 - 23x + 3$

(3)  $x^4 - 7x^3 - 4x^2 - 25x + 3$

(4)  $x^4 - 7x^3 - 4x^2 - 23x + 3$

**18** Researchers want to see if drivers are more distracted by talking on a cell phone than talking to a passenger. From a group of 100 college students, half were randomly assigned to drive in a simulator while talking on a cell phone. The other half drove in a simulator while talking to a passenger. Researchers recorded whether or not the drivers safely exited a simulated highway at the designated exit. Is this an observational study?

(1) No, because researchers randomly assigned a treatment on students.

(2) Yes, because the researchers observed what students were doing while driving.

(3) No, because the researchers should have randomly assigned some students to drive without talking.

(4) Yes, because the students were divided into two groups of equal size.

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**19** If  $f(x) = 3^x$ , then  $f^{-1}(x)$  equals

(1)  $\log_3(x)$

(3)  $3^{-x}$

(2)  $\log_3(3)$

(4)  $x^3$

**20** Given  $f(x) = |x + 1| - 2$  and  $g(x) = -\sqrt[3]{x - 3}$ , what are the solutions to the equation  $f(x) = g(x)$ ?

(1)  $\{-3, 1, 3\}$

(3)  $\{-5, 2\}$

(2)  $\{2, 3\}$

(4)  $\{-5, 1, 2\}$

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**21** The expression  $3xi^2 - 2yi^3 + 7xi^6 - 4yi^5$ , in simplest  $a + bi$  form, is

(1)  $-10x - 2yi$

(3)  $10x - 6y$

(2)  $10x + 2yi$

(4)  $4xyi^{16}$

**22** Which values of  $a$  and  $b$  will make the function  $f(x) = \sin(ax) + b$  an odd function?

(1)  $a = 1, b = 0$

(3)  $a = 3, b = 1$

(2)  $a = 1, b = 4$

(4)  $a = 3, b = 4$

**Use this space for  
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**23** When solved for  $x$ , what is the solution to the equation  $a(10^x) = 60$ , where  $a > 1$ ?

(1)  $x = \frac{\log(60)}{a}$

(3)  $x = \log(60)$

(2)  $x = \frac{\log(60)}{\log(10a)}$

(4)  $x = \log\left(\frac{60}{a}\right)$

**24** Potassium-42 is a radioisotope of potassium that has a half-life of 12.4 hours. Which expression approximates the amount of a 500-gram sample of potassium-42 remaining after  $t$  hours?

(1)  $500(0.1670)^t$

(3)  $500(1.0575)^t$

(2)  $500(0.9456)^t$

(4)  $500(1.5609)^t$

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## Part II

Answer all 8 questions in this part. Each correct answer will receive 2 credits. Clearly indicate the necessary steps, including appropriate formula substitutions, diagrams, graphs, charts, etc. Utilize the information provided for each question to determine your answer. Note that diagrams are not necessarily drawn to scale. For all questions in this part, a correct numerical answer with no work shown will receive only 1 credit. All answers should be written in pen, except for graphs and drawings, which should be done in pencil. [16]

25 Given  $a_1 = 5$  and  $a_n = (a_{n-1})^2 + 4$ , determine  $a_3$ .

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is continued on the page below.

**Question 25 continued**

**26** The table below shows the average tuition and fees for four-year colleges in the U.S. since 1970.

<b>Years Since 1970 (x)</b>	1	10	20	30	40	49
<b>Tuition and Fees in Dollars (y)</b>	5534	5099	7878	11,079	15,408	17,030

Write an exponential regression equation for this set of data, rounding all values to the *nearest thousandth*.

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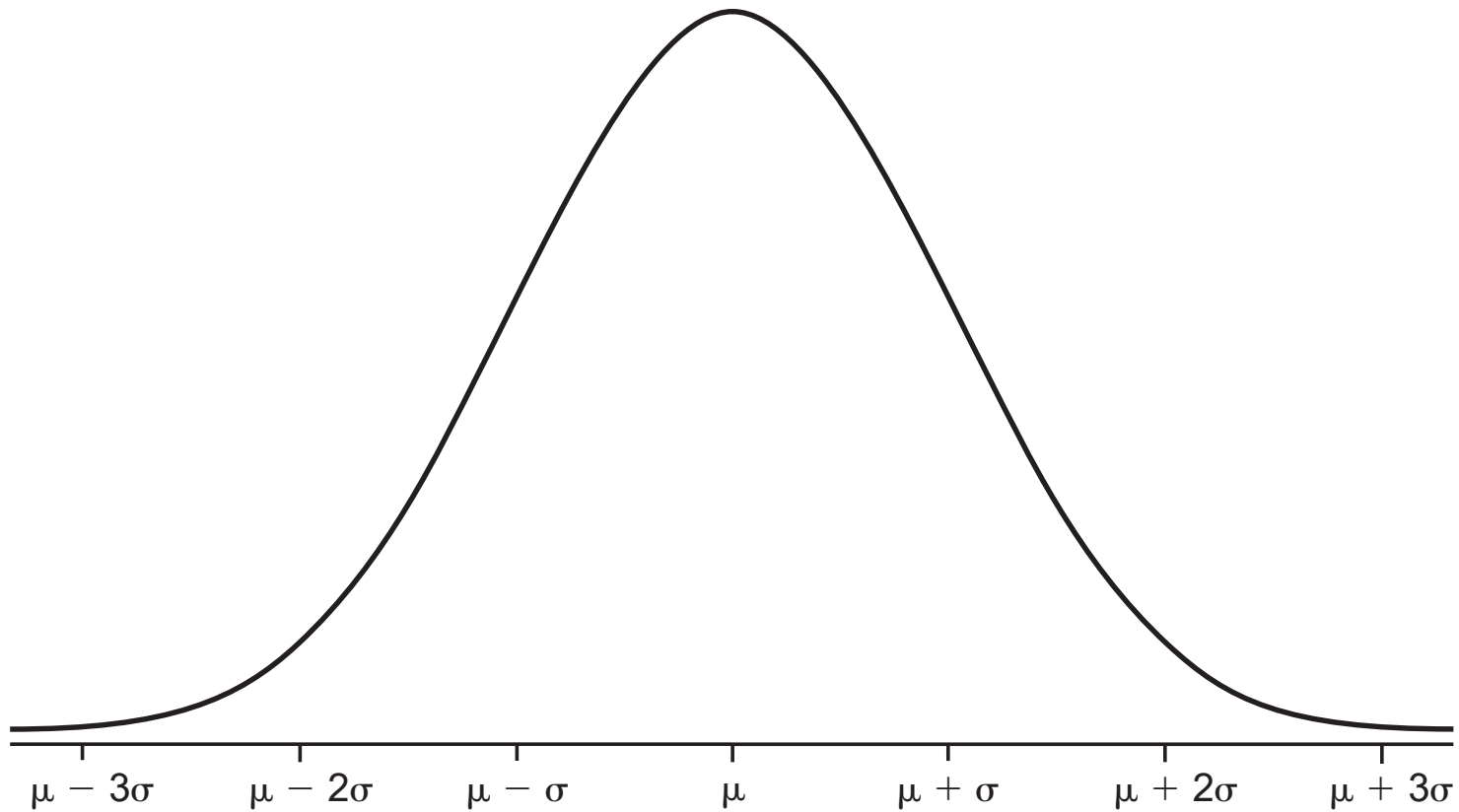
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**27** Given  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 2x + 5$ , determine the remainder when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $x - 2$ .

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**Question 27 continued**

**28** In the U.S., the number of hours people sleep per day is approximately normally distributed with a mean of eight hours and a standard deviation of one hour. Write the seven values representing hours of sleep on the labeled increments below.



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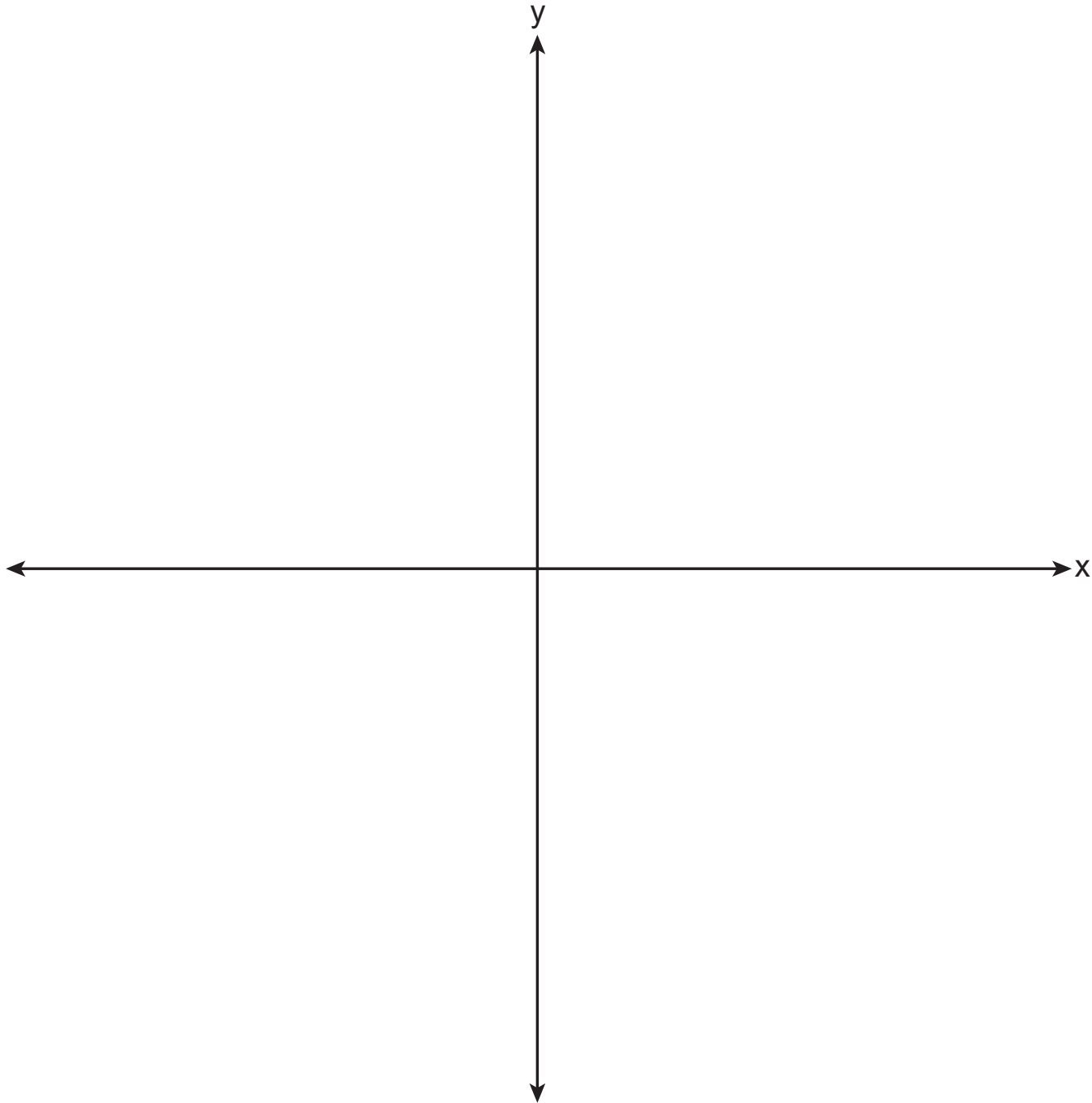
**Question 28 continued**

Using your values from the normal curve, state the interval centered on the mean representing approximately 68% of sleep times, in hours.

**29** The zeros of a cubic polynomial function are  $-3$ ,  $2$ , and  $5$ . There is a relative maximum of the function at  $(-1, 9)$ . Construct a sketch of the function on the set of axes below.

**The set of axes for question 29  
is on the page below.**

**Question 29 continued**



**30** Given  $\cos(\theta) = \frac{7}{12}$  and  $\sin(\theta) < 0$ , determine the exact value of  $\tan(\theta)$ .

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**31** Over the set of complex numbers, determine the roots of the equation  $6x^2 + 50 = 2$  in simplest form.

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**Question 31 continued**

**32** For all the values of  $x$  for which the expression is defined, rewrite the expression below in simplest form.

$$\frac{x^3 + 64}{2x^2 + 7x - 4}$$

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**Question 32 continued**

### Part III

Answer all 3 questions in this part. Each correct answer will receive 4 credits. Clearly indicate the necessary steps, including appropriate formula substitutions, diagrams, graphs, charts, etc. Utilize the information provided for each question to determine your answer. Note that diagrams are not necessarily drawn to scale. For all questions in this part, a correct numerical answer with no work shown will receive only 1 credit. All answers should be written in pen, except for graphs and drawings, which should be done in pencil. [12]

**33** Researchers surveyed 312 American adults to see if people's ages are related to whether they prefer ebooks or print books. The survey results are summarized in the table below.

	Prefer eBooks	Prefer Print Books	Total
Ages 27-58	42	126	168
Ages 59-90	36	108	144
Total	78	234	312

Find the probability that a randomly selected adult from the survey prefers ebooks.

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### Question 33 continued

Find the probability that a randomly selected adult from the survey prefers ebooks, given that the person is aged 27 to 58.

Are the events “prefer ebooks” and “ages 27 to 58” independent? Use the survey results to justify your answer.

**34** Somika opens a savings account and deposits \$20,000 into the account that grows at a rate of 2.46% per year, compounded monthly. Write an exponential function,  $S(t)$ , that represents the amount of money in the account  $t$  years after it is opened, assuming no other money is deposited or withdrawn from the account.

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**Question 34 continued**

Algebraically calculate the number of years, to the *nearest tenth*, it will take for her account to reach \$24,000.

**35** Solve algebraically for  $x$ :

$$\sqrt{x + 4} - \sqrt{3x} = -2$$

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**Question 35 continued**

## Part IV

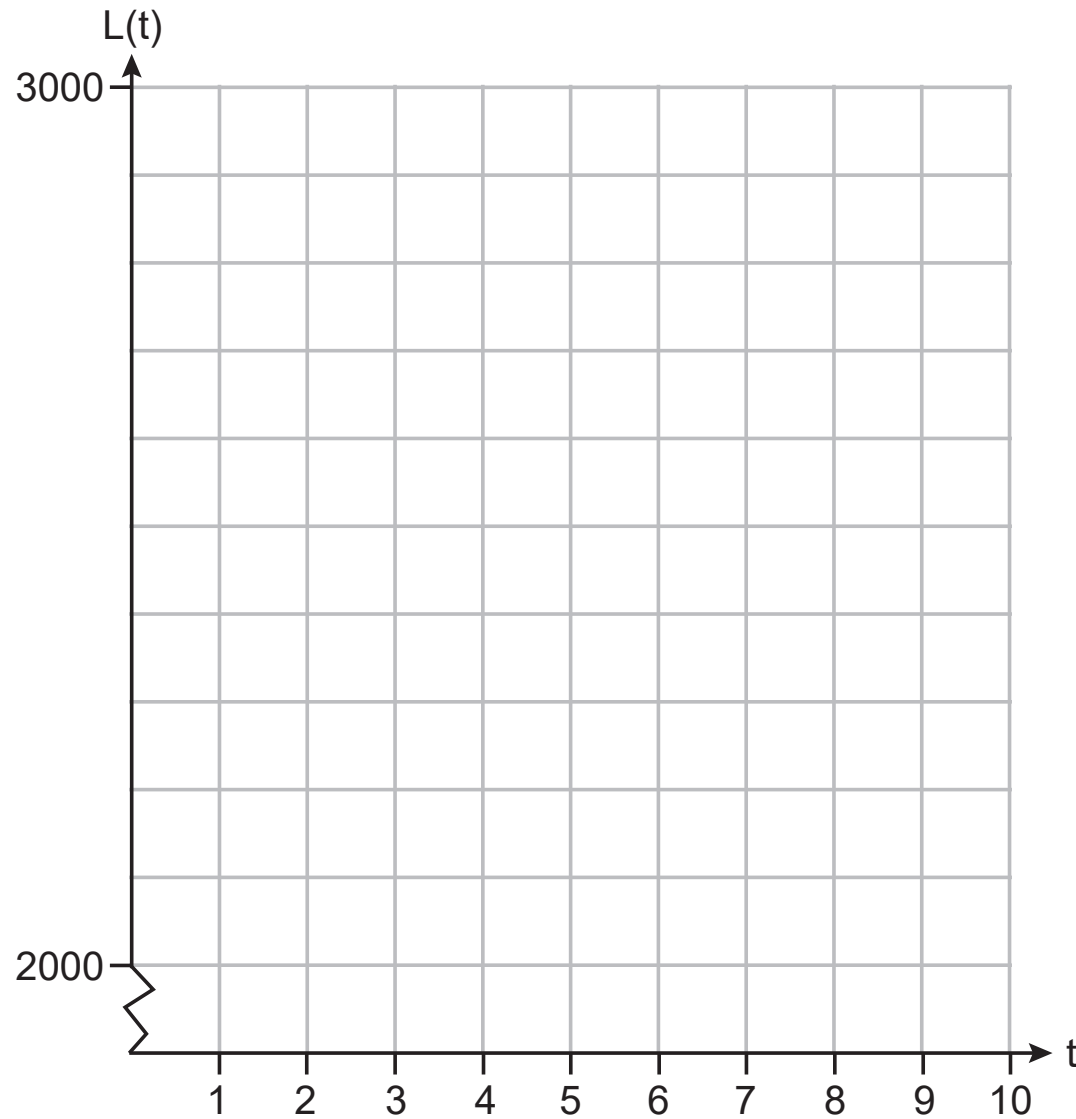
Answer the question in this part. A correct answer will receive 6 credits. Clearly indicate the necessary steps, including appropriate formula substitutions, diagrams, graphs, charts, etc. Utilize the information provided to determine your answer. Note that diagrams are not necessarily drawn to scale. A correct numerical answer with no work shown will receive only 1 credit. All answers should be written in pen, except for graphs and drawings, which should be done in pencil. [6]

**36** A spirometer is used to measure lung capacity, in mL, of air while breathing. During rest, the lung capacity,  $L$ , in mL, can be approximately modeled by  $L(t) = 250\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}t\right) + 2450$ , where  $t$  is time in seconds.

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**Question 36 continued**

Graph  $L(t)$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 10$ .



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**Question 36 continued**

Use  $L(t)$  to state the first time, to the *nearest tenth of a second*, on the interval  $0 \leq t \leq 10$  when the lung capacity is 2350 mL.

Determine the average rate of change, in mL per second, from  $t = 3$  to  $t = 5$ .

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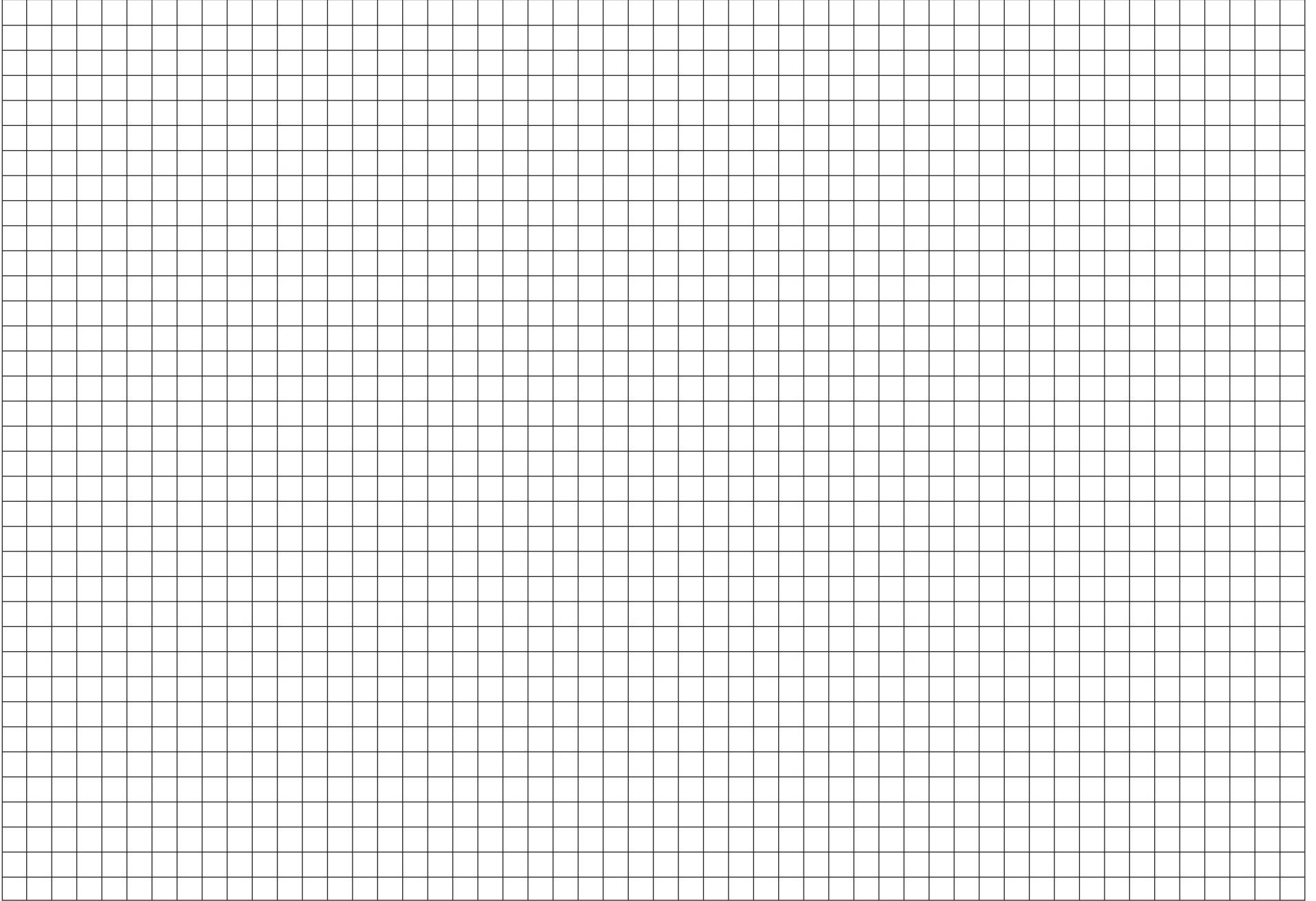
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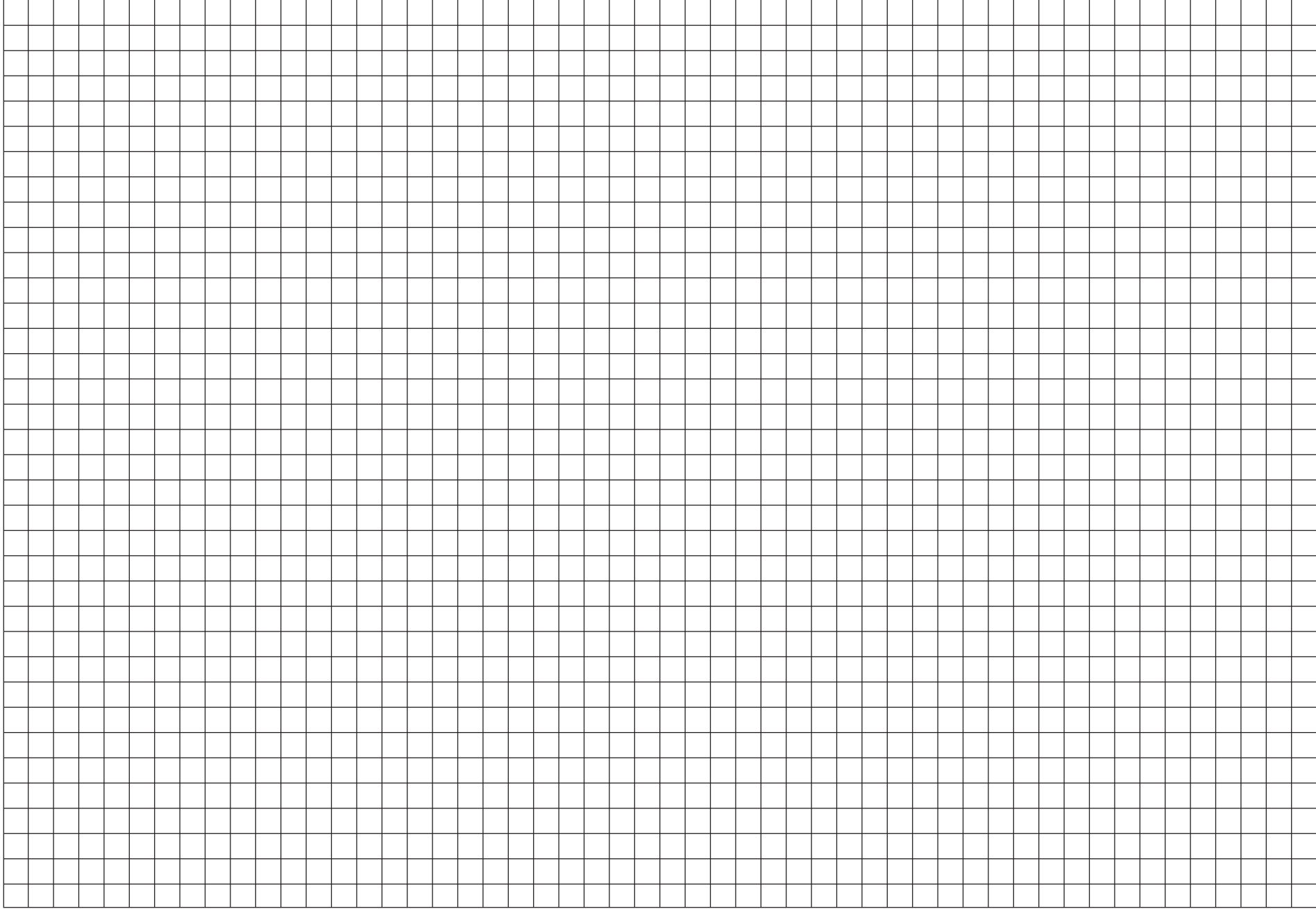
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## Algebra II Reference Sheet (NGLS)

Quadratic Formula	$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$	Arithmetic Sequence	$a_n = a_1 + d(n - 1)$
Trigonometric Identities	$\sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) = 1$	Arithmetic Series	$S_n = \frac{n(a_1 + a_n)}{2}$
	$\tan(\theta) = \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\cos(\theta)} \quad \cot(\theta) = \frac{\cos(\theta)}{\sin(\theta)}$	Geometric Sequence	$a_n = a_1 r^{n-1}$
$\csc(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sin(\theta)} \quad \sec(\theta) = \frac{1}{\cos(\theta)}$			
Cubic Factorizations	$a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$	Geometric Series	$S_n = \frac{a_1(1 - r^n)}{1 - r}, r \neq 1$
	$a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$		$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_1 r^{k-1}, r \neq 1$

The Reference Sheet is continued on the next page.

# Reference Sheet — concluded

Probability	$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$ $P(A B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$	Exponential Growth and Decay	$A = P \left( 1 + \frac{r}{n} \right)^{nt}$ $A = Pe^{rt}$ $A = A_0 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{t}{h}}$
Independence	$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$ $P(A B) = P(A)$		

**Normal Curve**

