

# Functions

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Main Idea: Investigating the different features of functions.

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## Features of Functions – Intercepts with Axes

⚠ Complete the tables for each of the following functions.

$$f(x) = 2x - 4$$

$x$	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$f(x)$							

$$g(x) = x^2 - x - 6$$

$x$	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$g(x)$							

$$h(x) = 2^x - 2$$

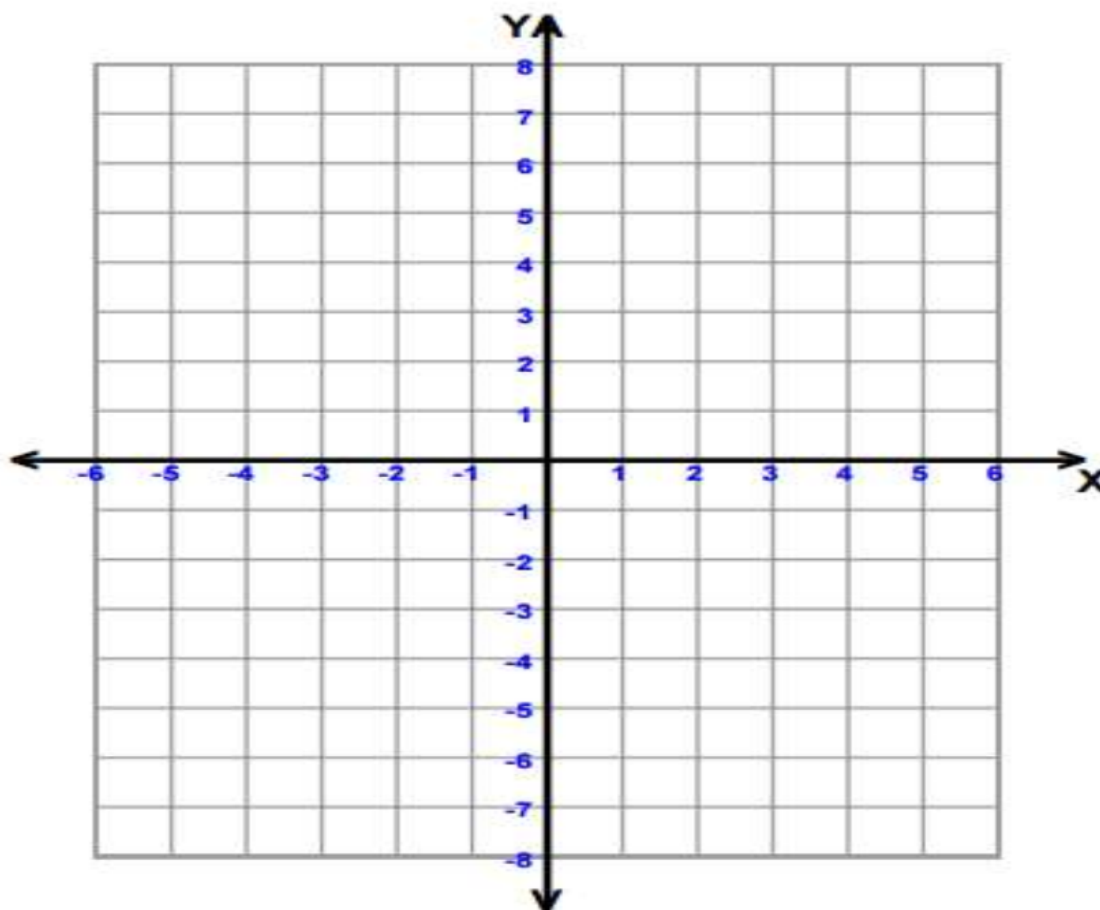
$x$	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$h(x)$							

$$j(x) = \frac{2}{x+1} + 2$$

$x$	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$j(x)$							

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⚠ Graph each of the functions below.



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c)  $y = 3^x$

d)  $y = 2x^2 + 5x - 3$

e)  $y = 3 \cdot 2^x - 12$

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Determine the x-intercept(s) for each of the following functions:

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## Use Math to Explain the World

In an entertainment show, a man is shot out of a cannon towards a net on the far side of a field.



The path that the man follows can be described by the formula  $h(t) = \frac{1}{4}t^2 - \frac{7}{4}t + 7$ , where  $h(t)$  is the height (in meters) above the ground and  $t$  is the time in seconds after the cannon is fired.

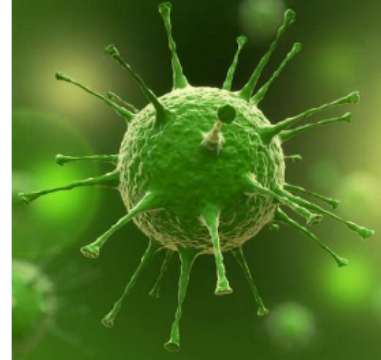
⚠ How high above the ground is the opening of the cannon?

⚠ If the net is 28 meters away from the cannon, would the man land safely on it (assume that the net is at ground level)?

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As part of a biology experiment, you monitor the population of a virus after a patient has received the required vaccine. The population  $p(t)$ , in parts per million, can be found at any time  $t$ , in hours, from the formula  $p(t) = 5 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t-1}$ .

⚠ What is the virus population before the vaccine is taken?



⚠ How long will it take for the virus to reach a population of zero?

