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Assignment: Chapter 3 Polynomial and Rational  
Functions Quiz






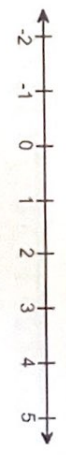
1. Solve the rational inequality and graph the solution set on a real number line. Express the solution set in interval notation.

$$\frac{13x - 3}{5x - 2} \leq 3$$

Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

- A. The solution set is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Type your answer in interval notation. Type an exact answer, using radicals as needed. Use integers or fractions for any numbers in the expression.)
- B. The solution set is the empty set.

Choose the correct graph below.

- A. 
- B. 
- C. 
- D. 
- E. 
- F. 

2. Answer the following questions about the equation below.

$$12x^3 + 77x^2 - 48x + 7 = 0$$

(a) List all rational roots that are possible according to the Rational Zero Theorem.

- A.  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12$
- B.  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12, \pm \frac{1}{7}, \pm \frac{2}{7}, \pm \frac{3}{7}, \pm \frac{4}{7}, \pm \frac{6}{7}, \pm \frac{12}{7}$
- C.  $\pm 1, \pm 7, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{7}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{7}{3}, \pm \frac{1}{4}, \pm \frac{7}{4}, \pm \frac{1}{6}, \pm \frac{7}{6}, \pm \frac{1}{12}, \pm \frac{7}{12}$
- D.  $\pm 1, \pm 7$

(b) Use synthetic division to test several possible rational roots in order to identify one actual root.

One rational root of the given equation is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Simplify your answer.)

(c) Use the root from part (b) to solve the equation.

The solution set is { \_\_\_\_\_ }.  
(Simplify your answer. Type an exact answer, using radicals as needed. Use integers or fractions for any numbers in the expression. Use a comma to separate answers as needed.)






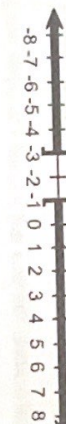
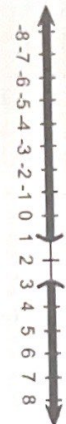
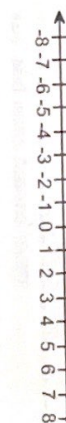
3. Solve the polynomial inequality and graph the solution set on a real number line. Express the solution set in interval notation.

$$x^2 + 4x + 3 > 0$$

What is the solution set? Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

- A. The solution set is \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 (Type your answer in interval notation. Use integers or fractions for any numbers in the expression.)
- B. The solution set is the empty set.

Which number line below shows the graph of the solution set?

- A.   B. 
- C.   D. 
- E.   F. 
- G.   H. 

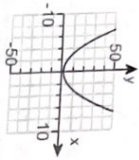
4. a. Find the slant asymptote of the graph of the rational function.  
 b. Follow the seven-step strategy and use the slant asymptote to graph the rational function.

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x - 1}$$

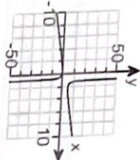
a. The slant asymptote of the graph of the function is  $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_.

b. Which of the following is the graph of  $y = f(x)$ ?

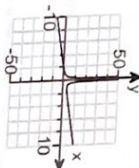
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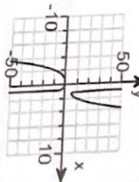
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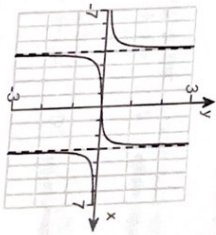


D.



5. Use the graph of the rational function to complete the following statement.

As  $x \rightarrow 3^-$ ,  $f(x) \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_.



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6. For the polynomial function  $f(x) = x^4 + 4x^3 + 4x^2$ , answer the parts a through e.

a. Use the Leading Coefficient Test to determine the graph's end behavior.

- A. The graph of  $f(x)$  rises to the left and rises to the right.
- B. The graph of  $f(x)$  falls to the left and falls to the right.
- C. The graph of  $f(x)$  falls to the left and rises to the right.
- D. The graph of  $f(x)$  rises to the left and falls to the right.

b. Find the x-intercept(s). State whether the graph crosses the x-axis, or touches the x-axis and turns around, at each intercept.

The x-intercept(s) is/are \_\_\_\_\_.

(Type an integer or a decimal. Use a comma to separate answers as needed. Type each answer only once.)

At which x-intercept(s) does the graph cross the x-axis? Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

- A. The x-intercept(s) at which the graph crosses the x-axis is/are \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Type an integer or a decimal. Use a comma to separate answers as needed. Type each answer only once.)
- B. There are no x-intercepts at which the graph crosses the x-axis.

At which x-intercept(s) does the graph touch the x-axis and turn around? Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

- A. The x-intercept(s) at which the graph touches the x-axis and turns around is/are \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Type an integer or a decimal. Use a comma to separate answers as needed. Type each answer only once.)
- B. There are no x-intercepts at which the graph touches the x-axis and turns around.

c. Find the y-intercept.

The y-intercept is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Simplify your answer. Type an integer or a decimal.)

d. Determine whether the graph has y-axis symmetry, origin symmetry, or neither. Choose the correct answer below.

- A. The graph of  $f$  is symmetric about the y-axis.
- B. The graph of  $f$  is symmetric about the origin.
- C. The graph of  $f$  is neither symmetric about the y-axis nor symmetric about the origin.

8. Use the seven step method described in the book to graph the following rational function.

$$f(x) = -\frac{3}{x^2 - 4}$$

1. Determine the symmetry of the function. Choose the correct answer below.

- The graph of  $f$  has neither  $y$ -axis symmetry nor origin symmetry.
- The graph of  $f$  is symmetric with respect to the origin.
- The graph of  $f$  is symmetric with respect to the  $y$ -axis.

2. Find the  $y$ -intercept. Select the correct choice below and fill in any answer boxes within your choice.

- A. The  $y$ -intercept is \_\_\_\_\_. (Type an integer or a simplified fraction.)
- B. There is no  $y$ -intercept.

3. Find the  $x$ -intercept(s). Select the correct choice below and fill in any answer boxes within your choice.

- A. The  $x$ -intercept(s) is \_\_\_\_\_. (Use a comma to separate answers as needed.)
- B. There is no  $x$ -intercept.

4. What is the equation of the vertical asymptote(s) of  $f(x)$ ? Select the correct choice below and fill in any answer boxes within your choice.

- A.  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (Use a comma to separate answers as needed. Type an integer or a fraction.)
- B. There is no vertical asymptote.

5. What is the equation of the horizontal asymptote(s) of  $f(x)$ ? Select the correct choice below and fill in any answer boxes within your choice.

- A.  $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (Use a comma to separate answers as needed. Type an integer or a fraction.)
- B. There is no horizontal asymptote.

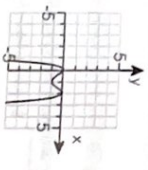
6. Plot points between and beyond the  $x$ -intercept and the vertical asymptotes. Type the  $y$ -coordinate for each of the following points.

$x$	-3	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	3
$f(x) = -\frac{3}{x^2 - 4}$					

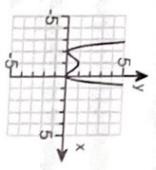
(Type an integer or a simplified fraction.)

e. If necessary, find a few additional points and graph the function. Use the maximum number of turning points to check whether it is drawn correctly. Choose the correct graph below.

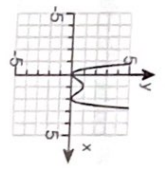
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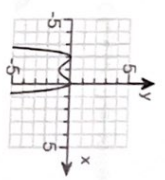
B.



C.



D.



7. Divide using synthetic division.

$$\frac{x^5 + 4x^3 - 5}{x - 1}$$

$$\frac{x^5 + 4x^3 - 5}{x - 1} = \frac{\quad}{x - 1} + \frac{\quad}{x - 1}$$

(Simplify your answers. Do not factor.)





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