



Math Virtual Learning

Algebra 2A

Evaluating and Composing Polynomial Function

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Lesson:

Composing Polynomials

Learning Target:
LT D3 I can evaluate polynomial functions.

Objective:
Students will be able to evaluate polynomials. Students will be able to compose polynomial functions.

Warm Up

For today's warm up, please solve the riddle below.

A sundial has the fewest moving parts of any timepiece. Which has the most?

Question

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Warm Up

Answer: An hourglass—It has thousands of grains of sand.

Lesson

If you need to, please watch this review of what Function Notation is.

❖ Function Notation ❖

When you are ready, watch the following videos below.

[Adding and Subtracting Functions - Function Notation](#)

[Multiplying and Dividing Functions - Function Notation](#)

Practice

Given the following functions:

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

$$g(x) = x^2 - 3$$

$$h(x) = 2x - 5$$

Evaluate:

1. $f(x + 2)$

2. $g(x + 1)$

3. $h(x) + f(x)$

4. $h(x) + g(x) - f(x)$

5. $g(x) \cdot f(x)$

6. $h(x) \div f(x)$

Given the following functions:

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

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$$h(x) = 2x - 5$$

Evaluate:

1. $f(x + 2) = (x + 2) + 3$
 $= x + 5$

Given the following functions:

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

$$g(x) = x^2 - 3$$

$$h(x) = 2x - 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad g(x+1) &= (x+1)^2 - 3 \\ &= (x+1)(x+1) - 3 \\ &= x^2 + 2x + 1 - 3 \\ &= \boxed{x^2 + 2x - 2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ +1 \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline x^2 & x \\ \hline x & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$
$$\begin{aligned} &x^2 + x + x + 1 \\ &x^2 + 2x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Given the following functions:

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

$$g(x) = x^2 - 3$$

$$h(x) = 2x - 5$$

Evaluate:

$$\begin{aligned} 3. \quad h(x) + f(x) &= (2x - 5) + (x + 3) \\ &= 2x - 5 + x + 3 \\ &= \boxed{3x - 2} \end{aligned}$$

Given the following functions:

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

$$g(x) = x^2 - 3$$

$$h(x) = 2x - 5$$

Evaluate:

$$\begin{aligned} 4. \quad h(x) + g(x) - f(x) &= (2x - 5) + (x^2 - 3) - (x + 3) \\ &= 2x - 5 + x^2 - 3 - x - 3 \\ &= \boxed{x^2 + x - 11} \end{aligned}$$

Given the following functions:

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

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$$h(x) = 2x - 5$$

Evaluate:

$$5. \quad g(x) \cdot f(x) = (x^2 - 3)(x + 3)$$

	x^2	-3
x	x^3	$-3x$
3	$3x^2$	-9

$$= x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x - 9$$

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$$h(x) = 2x - 5$$

Evaluate:

$$6. h(x) \div f(x) = (2x - 5) \div (x + 3)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \overline{2} \\ x+3 \overline{) 2x-5} \\ \underline{-(2x+6)} \\ -11 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Answer: } 2 + \frac{-11}{x+3}}$$

Answers to Practice Problems

1. $x + 5$

2. $x^2 + 2x - 2$

3. $3x - 2$

4. $x^2 + 3x - 5$

5. $x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x - 9$

6. $2 + \frac{-11}{x+3}$

Additional Resources

[Adding and subtracting functions](#)

[Multiplying and dividing functions](#)

Additional Practice- Complete only #1-15 on the following practice.

[Function Operations](#)