

GRAPHING RATIONALS

A

1. Which one of the following graphs does not have a vertical asymptote?

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

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

C. $f(x) = \frac{2}{x^2}$

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

2. The horizontal asymptote of the graph of the function $g(x) = \frac{-7x+2}{3x+2}$ is

A. $y = 0$

B. $y = -\frac{7}{3}$

C. $y = -\frac{3}{7}$

D. $x = -\frac{2}{3}$

$$\frac{-\frac{7x}{x} + \frac{2}{x}}{\frac{3x}{x} + \frac{2}{x}} = 0 = -\frac{7}{3}$$

3. Which function has a graph with a hole?

A. $y = \frac{x+4}{2x^2 + 8x}$

$$\frac{(x+4)}{2x(x+4)}$$

B. $y = \frac{x-4}{2x^2 + 8x}$

C. $y = \frac{4x+4}{2x^2 + 8x}$

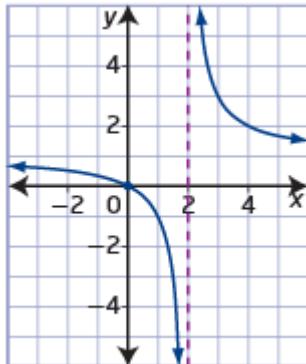
D. $y = \frac{x+4}{2x^2 - 8x} = \frac{x+4}{2x(x-4)}$

$$y = \frac{x}{x-3}$$

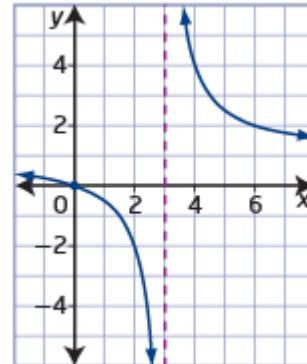
4. Which graph represents $y = \frac{x^2 - 2x}{x^2 - 5x + 6}$?

$$= \frac{x(x-2)}{(x-3)(x-2)} \Rightarrow y = \frac{x}{x-3}$$

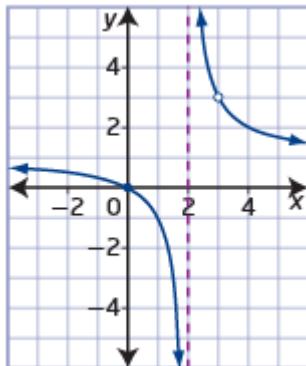
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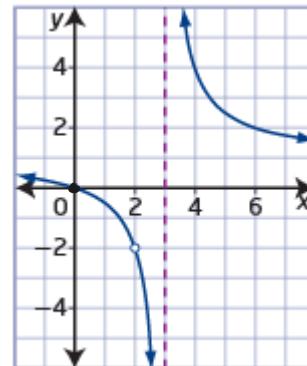
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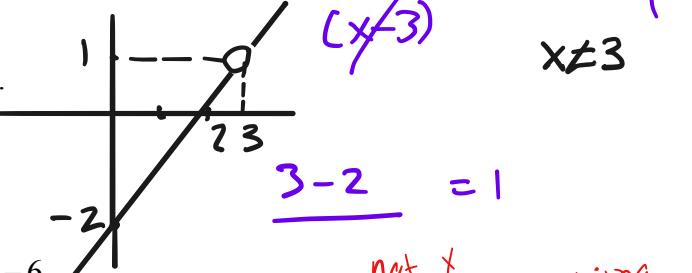
D.



(2, -2)
hole
 $x=0 \ y=0$
 $\forall x \neq 3$

5. Which statement about the graph of $y = \frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x - 3}$ is true?

- A. There is a vertical asymptote at $y = 3$.
- B. There is a horizontal asymptote at $x = 2$.
- C. There is a vertical asymptote at $x = 2$.
- D. There is a hole at $(3, 1)$.



6. Determine the x -intercept(s) of $f(x) = \frac{3x^2 - 3x - 6}{x^2 + 4x + 4}$.

- A. -2
- B. -1, 2
- C. -3, 6
- D. 3, -6

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

not + ve as we are looking for what value of x
 $\Rightarrow \frac{3(x-2)(x+1)}{(x+2)(x+2)}$

$$x=2 \quad (x-2)=0$$

$$x=-1 \quad (x+1)=0$$

$$\frac{3(x-2)(x+1)}{3} = 0$$

$$(x-2)(x+1) = 0$$

7. Which statement is true about the function $y = -\frac{4}{x-2}$?

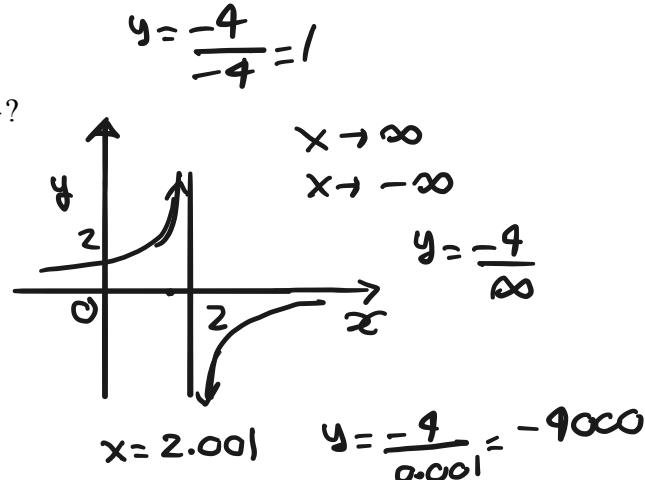
As x approaches -2 , $|y|$ becomes very large.

As $|x|$ becomes very large, y approaches -4 .

As x approaches 2 , $|y|$ becomes very large.

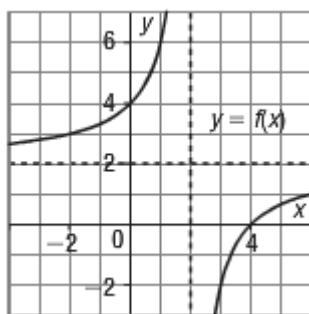
As $|x|$ becomes very large, y approaches 4 .

$$\begin{array}{l} x \rightarrow \infty \\ x \rightarrow -\infty \end{array} \quad | -\infty | = \infty$$

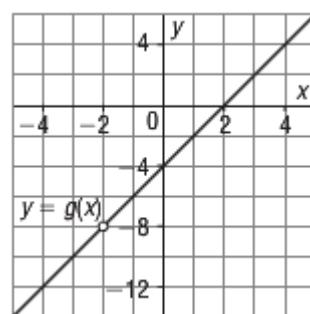


8. Which graph below represents the function $y = \frac{2x^2 - 8}{x-2}$?

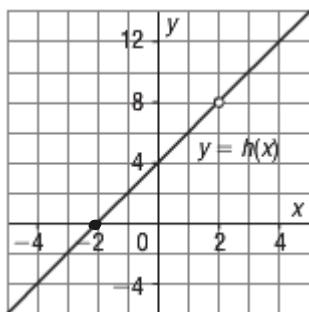
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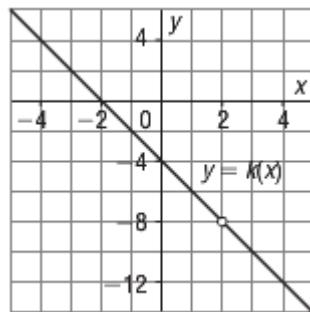
B.



C



D.



$$y = 2(x+2)$$

$$x \neq 2$$

$$y \neq 8$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} x = -2 & y = 0 \\ x = 0 & y = 4 \end{array}$$

9. The graph $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$ has a "hole" at the point

A. $(-3, 0)$

B. $(3, 0)$

C. $(-3, 1)$

D. $\left(3, \frac{3}{2}\right)$

$$y = \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{(x+3)(x+1)} \Rightarrow \frac{(x+3)}{(x+1)} = y$$

$$x = 3$$

$$\frac{(3+3)}{(3+1)} = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

10. Consider the rational function $f(x) = \frac{ax+5}{7x-b}$, where a and b are natural numbers. The vertical asymptote and the horizontal asymptote of the graph of $f(x)$, respectively, are

A. $x = -\frac{b}{7}, y = -\frac{a}{7}$ *VA*

$$7x - b = 0$$

$$\frac{-\frac{ax}{x}}{7x} \left(\frac{b}{x} \right) = -\frac{a}{7}$$

$$y = -\frac{ax}{7x}$$

B. $x = \frac{b}{7}, y = -\frac{5}{b}$

$$7x = b$$

C. $x = \frac{b}{7}, y = \frac{a}{7}$

$$\frac{7x}{7} = \frac{b}{7}$$

D. $x = \frac{b}{7}, y = -\frac{a}{7}$

$$x = \frac{b}{7}$$

11. Which statement about the function $y = \frac{x}{x^2 - x}$ is true?

A. It has an x -intercept of 0.

B. It has a y -intercept of 0.

C. It has a point of discontinuity at $(0, -1)$.

D. It has a vertical asymptote at $x = 0$.

$$y = \frac{x}{x(x-1)} \quad x \neq 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{x-1} \quad x \neq 0$$

12. The horizontal asymptote of the graph of $f(x) = \frac{2x+4}{3x-5}$ is

$$\frac{1}{0-1} = \frac{1}{-1} = -1$$

A. $y = 0$

B. $y = \frac{2}{3}$

C. $y = -\frac{4}{5}$

D. $x = \frac{5}{3}$

$$\frac{2x}{x} + \frac{4}{x} = 0$$

$$\frac{3x}{x} - \frac{5}{x} = 0 \quad = \frac{2}{3}$$

13. The equation of a rational function can be written in the form $y = x - p, x \neq -3$. The graph of the rational function has a point of discontinuity at $(-3, 10)$. The value of p is

A. 13

$$10 = -3 - p$$

B. 7

$$p = -3 - 10$$

C. -7

D. -13

$$p = -13$$

14. Let f be a rational function given by $f(x) = \frac{ax^n}{bx^m}$. The graph has a horizontal asymptote of $y = 0$ when

A. $n = m$
 B. $n < 0$
 C. $n > m$
 D. $n < m$

degree of num < deg. of denom

15. The vertical asymptote of the graph of $f(x) = \frac{2x+4}{3x-5}$ is

A. $y = \frac{3}{2}$
 B. $x = -\frac{5}{3}$
 C. $x = \frac{5}{3}$
 D. $y = \frac{2}{3}$

VA set denom = 0

$$3x - 5 = 0$$

$$3x = 5$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{5}{3}$$

16. The graph of a rational function has a horizontal asymptote at $y = 3$, a vertical asymptote at $x = -2$, and a y-intercept of 1. What is the equation of the function?

X

$$y = \frac{4}{x+2} + 3$$

$$x \rightarrow \infty \quad y = \frac{4}{\infty} + 3$$

B

$$y = \frac{-4}{x+2} + 3$$

$$VA \quad y = 3$$

$$|x| \rightarrow \infty \quad y \rightarrow 3$$

C

$$y = \frac{-9}{x-3} - 2$$

$$HA \quad y = -2$$

D

$$y = \frac{9}{x-3} - 2$$

$$VA \quad y = -2$$

$$\begin{array}{c} -4 \\ \hline x \\ \hline x \quad +2 \\ \hline x \quad x \\ \hline 0 \end{array} + 3$$

$$VA = 3$$

$$y = \frac{4x}{x+2} + 3$$

$$VA = 7$$

$$VA = -2$$

$$\sin x = 3$$

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X++

Consider the function $f(x) = \frac{ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d}{2x + 5}$. If the numerator can be expressed in the factored form $(2x + 5)(x^2 - p)$ and the graph of the function has a point of discontinuity at $(q, \frac{9}{4})$, the value of q is

A. 4

B. $\frac{5}{2}$

C. -4

D. $-\frac{5}{2}$

$$y = x^2 - p$$

$$\frac{9}{4} = \left(\frac{-5}{2}\right)^2 - p \Rightarrow p = -\frac{9}{4} + \frac{25}{4}$$

$$p = -\frac{5}{2}$$

Forbidden x

$$\frac{16}{4} = 4$$

18. Which of the following rational functions describes a graph that has a horizontal asymptote of $y = -2$, a vertical asymptote of $x = 1$, and a y -intercept at $(0, 0)$?

A. $f(x) = \frac{-2x}{x-1}$

B. $f(x) = \frac{-x}{x-2}$

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

D. $f(x) = \frac{x-2}{-x}$

19. Given $y = \frac{x+2}{x^2 - 3x - 10}$, which statement is true?

A. The equations of the vertical asymptotes are $x = -2$ and $x = 5$.

B. There is a point of discontinuity in the graph of the function at $(-2, -\frac{1}{7})$ and at $(5, 1)$.

C. The range is $\{x \mid x \neq -2 \text{ or } 5, x \in R\}$.

D. The non-permissible values are $x = -2$ and $x = 5$.

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A

- 1. **A**
- 2. **B**
- 3. **A**
- 4. **D**
- 5. **D**
- 6. **B**
- 7. **C**
- 8. **C**
- 9. **D**
- 10. **D**
- 11. **C**
- 12. **B**
- 13. **D**
- 14. **D**
- 15. **C**
- 16. **B**
- 17. **D**
- 18. **A**
- 19. **D**