

GSE Algebra II
Radical, Absolute Value, & Piecewise Function Review

Key

Unit 4C Test

Simplify.

1. $2a^3b^{-2} \cdot (2ab^2)^3$

$$2a^3b^{-2} \cdot 8a^3b^6 \\ = \boxed{16a^6b^4}$$

2. $\frac{2^3x^4y^3}{2^2x^5} = \frac{\cancel{8}x^4y^3}{\cancel{4}x^5}$
 $= \boxed{\frac{2y^3}{x}}$

3. $\left(\frac{x^7y^{-2}}{3y^{-3}}\right)^{-2} = \frac{x^{-14}y^4}{3^{-2}y^6}$
 $= \boxed{\frac{9}{x^{14}y^2}}$

Write each expression in exponential form.

4. $\sqrt{5x}$

$$(5x)^{1/2} \\ \text{or } 5^{1/2}x^{1/2}$$

5. $(\sqrt[4]{9x})^3$
 $\text{or } 9^{3/4}x^{3/4}$

6. $\sqrt[5]{a^7}$

$$a^{7/5}$$

Write each expression in radical form.

7. $y^{\frac{5}{3}}$

$$\sqrt[3]{y^5} \text{ or } \sqrt[3]{y^5}$$

8. $(6a)^{\frac{3}{4}}$

$$(\sqrt[4]{6a})^3$$

9. $(xyz)^{\frac{5}{2}}$

$$\sqrt[2]{(xyz)^5}$$

Simplify.

10. $\sqrt[4]{96m}$

$$\sqrt[4]{16 \cdot 6 \cdot m} \\ = \boxed{2\sqrt[4]{6m}}$$

11. $\sqrt[3]{-162x^8}$

$$= \sqrt[3]{-27 \cdot 6 \cdot x^6 \cdot x^2} \\ = \boxed{-3x^2\sqrt[3]{6x^2}}$$

12. $\sqrt[4]{567p^5}$

$$= \sqrt[4]{81 \cdot 7 \cdot p^4 \cdot p} \\ = \boxed{3p\sqrt[4]{7p}}$$

Solve the following equations. Simplify answers completely. Check for extraneous solutions.

13. $\left((x-7)^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 9^{\frac{3}{2}}$
 $x-7 = (\sqrt{9})^3$
 $x-7 = 3^3$
 $x-7 = 27$
 $x = 34$

14. $5(x-28)^{\frac{5}{4}} = 158$
 $\frac{5(x-28)^{5/4}}{5} = \frac{158}{5}$
 $(x-28)^{5/4} = 32^{\frac{4}{5}}$
 $x-28 = (5\sqrt{32})^4$
 $x-28 = 2^4$
 $x-28 = 16$
 $x = 44$

15. $\sqrt[4]{3x} + 5 = 6$
 $\sqrt[4]{3x} = 1$
 $3x = 1$
 $x = \frac{1}{3}$

16. $3\sqrt[3]{x+6} + 5 = 14$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cancel{3\sqrt[3]{x+6}} = 9 \\ & 3\sqrt[3]{x+6} = 3^3 \\ & x+6 = 27 \\ & x = 21 \end{aligned}$$

$X = 21$

19. $\frac{2|x+1|}{2} = \frac{6}{2}$

$|x+1| = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} x+1 &= 3, \quad x+1 = -3 \\ x &= 2, \quad x = -4 \end{aligned}$$

$X = 2 \quad X = -4$

17. $\sqrt{5x+1} = -6$

No Solution

18. $\sqrt{x-2}^2 = (x-2)(x-2)$

$$\begin{aligned} x-2 &= x^2 - 4x + 4 \\ 0 &= x^2 - 5x + 6 \\ 0 &= (x-2)(x-3) \\ x &= 2, 3 \end{aligned}$$

20. $\frac{6 \cdot |x-2|}{\sqrt{5}} = 3 - 5$

$|x-2| = -15$

No Solution

21. $3|x-2| + 4 = 16$

$\frac{3|x-2|}{3} = \frac{12}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned} |x-2| &= 4 \\ x-2 &= 4, \quad x-2 = -4 \\ x &= 6, \quad x = -2 \end{aligned}$$

Evaluate the following for $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 3, & x \leq -2 \\ 5, & -2 < x \leq 6 \\ 4x + 7, & x > 6 \end{cases}$ $g(x) = \begin{cases} |x| - 1, & x < 5 \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x}, & x \geq 5 \end{cases}$

22. $f(0)$

= 5

23. $f(8)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 4(8) + 7 \\ &= 32 + 7 \\ &= 39 \end{aligned}$$

24. $g(16)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{16} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

25. $g(-2)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= |-2| - 1 \\ &= 2 - 1 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

26. $f(-2)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (-2)^2 - 3 \\ &= 4 - 3 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Describe the transformations of the following functions from their parent functions.

27. $g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x-3} + 4$

Right 3, up 4

28. $g(x) = -2\sqrt{x} - 5$

Reflect, stretch by 2, down 5

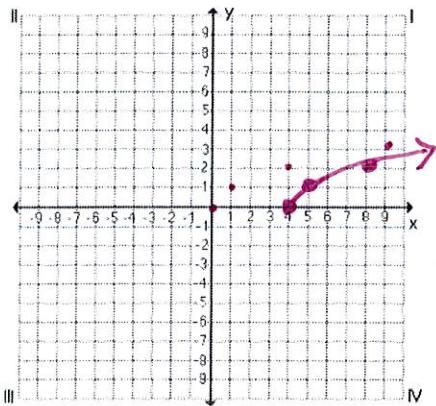
29. $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}|x+3|$

Shrunk by $\frac{1}{2}$, left 3

Sketch the parent and the new graph or show your t-chart.

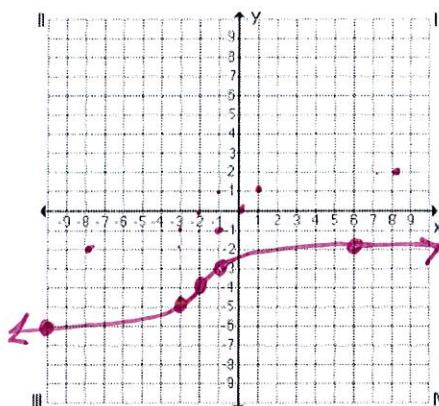
30. $y = \sqrt{x - 4}$

Right 4



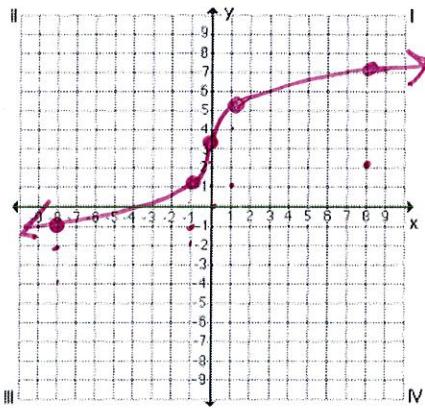
31. $y = \sqrt[3]{x + 2} - 4$

left 2
down 4



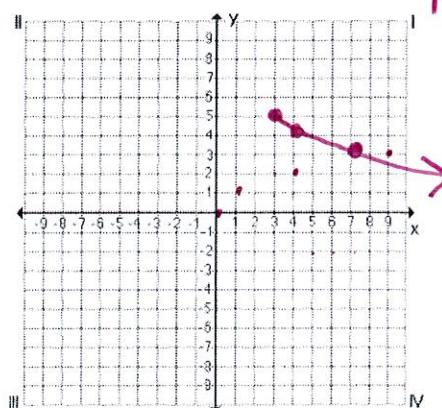
32. $y = 2\sqrt[3]{x} + 3$

stretch up 3²

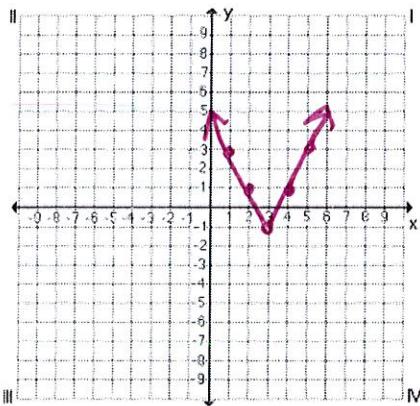


33. $y = -\sqrt{x - 3} + 5$

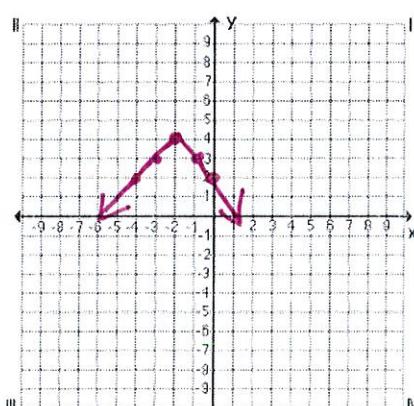
reflect
right 3
up 5



34. $y = 2|x - 3| - 1$



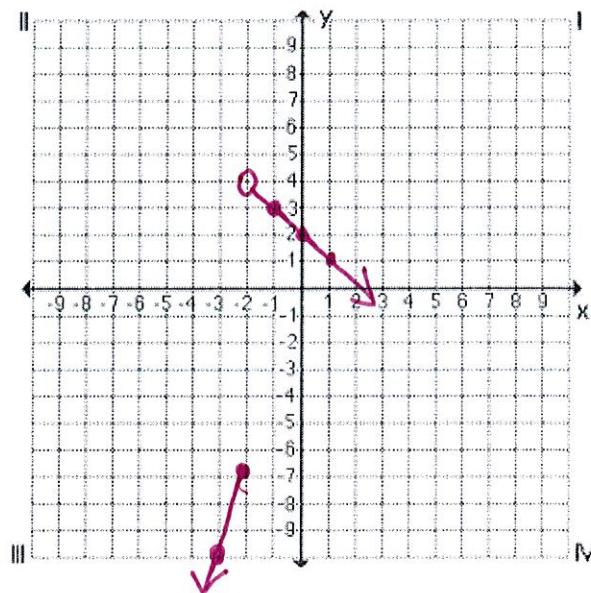
35. $y = -|x + 2| + 4$



$$36. \quad y = \begin{cases} 3x - 1, & x \leq -2 \\ -x + 2, & x > -2 \end{cases}$$

x	y
-2	-7
-3	-10
-4	-13
-5	-16

x	y
0	4
-1	3
0	2
1	1



$$37. \quad y = \begin{cases} x + 4, & x < 3 \\ \frac{1}{2}x, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

x	y
3	7
2	6
1	5
0	4

x	y
3	$1\frac{1}{2}$
4	2
5	$2\frac{1}{2}$
6	3

