

Warm Up: a) $(2a^2bc^3)(-6a^4bc)^{-2}$

b) $\left(\frac{16}{81}\right)^{-\frac{3}{4}}$

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Exploring Properties of Exponential Functions

Investigation:

1. Complete the following tables.

i)

| x | y=x |
|---|-----|
| 0 | |
| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |
| 4 | |
| 5 | |
| 6 | |

ii)

| x | y=2x |
|---|------|
| 0 | |
| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |
| 4 | |
| 5 | |
| 6 | |

iii)

| x | y=x ² |
|---|------------------|
| 0 | |
| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |
| 4 | |
| 5 | |
| 6 | |

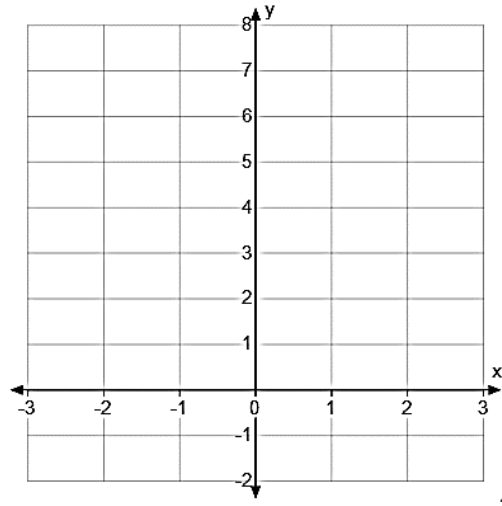
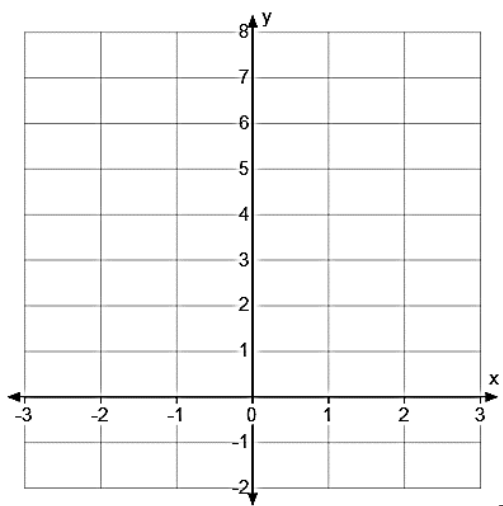
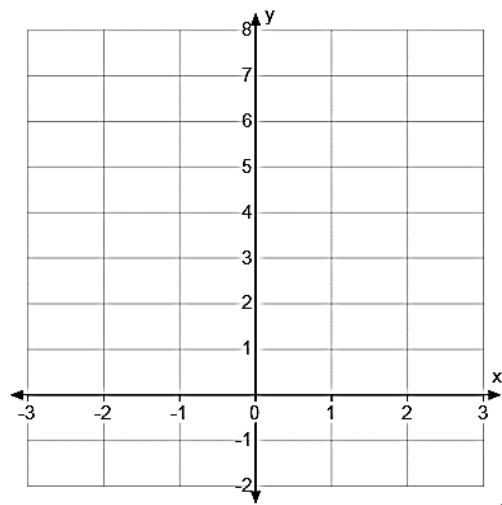
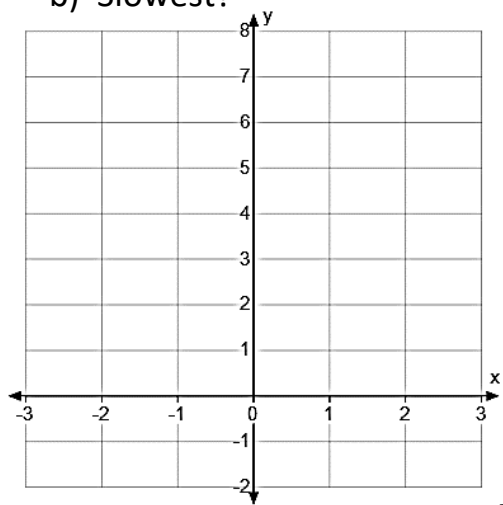
iv)

| x | y=2 ^x |
|---|------------------|
| 0 | |
| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |
| 4 | |
| 5 | |
| 6 | |

2. Which pattern is growing:

a) Fastest?

b) Slowest?



3. Complete the First and second differences.

| x | $y=x$ | First Differences | Second Differences |
|---|-------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 | 0 | | |
| 1 | 1 | | |
| 2 | 2 | | |
| 3 | 3 | | |
| 4 | 4 | | |
| 5 | 5 | | |
| 6 | 6 | | |

| x | $y=2x$ | First Differences | Second Differences |
|---|--------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 | 0 | | |
| 1 | 2 | | |
| 2 | 4 | | |
| 3 | 6 | | |
| 4 | 8 | | |
| 5 | 10 | | |
| 6 | 12 | | |

| x | $y=x^2$ | First Differences | Second Differences |
|---|---------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 | 0 | | |
| 1 | 1 | | |
| 2 | 4 | | |
| 3 | 9 | | |
| 4 | 16 | | |
| 5 | 25 | | |
| 6 | 36 | | |

| x | $y=2^x$ | First Differences | Second Differences |
|---|---------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 | 1 | | |
| 1 | 2 | | |
| 2 | 4 | | |
| 3 | 8 | | |
| 4 | 16 | | |
| 5 | 32 | | |
| 6 | 64 | | |

4. What do you notice about the finite differences?

5. Complete the following tables.

i)

| x | $y=3^x$ | First Differences | Second Differences |
|-----|---------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 | | | |
| 1 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
| 3 | | | |
| 4 | | | |

ii)

| x | $y=0.5^x$ | First Differences | Second Differences |
|-----|-----------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 | | | |
| 1 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
| 3 | | | |
| 4 | | | |

6. How do $y = 3^x$ and $y = 0.5^x$ compare with $y=2^x$?

7. Complete the following chart.

| | $y=2^x$ | $y=3^x$ | $y=0.5^x$ |
|----------------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Domain | | | |
| Range | | | |
| x-intercepts? | | | |
| y-intercept | | | |
| Interval of increase | | | |
| Interval of decrease | | | |
| Description of graph | | | |
| Sketch of graph | | | |
| Asymptotes ? | | | |

8. Sam's mom told him that if he consistently does all of his chores, each day she will give him double the amount that was given the previous day. She gives him \$0.50 the first day.

(a) Assuming Sam does his chores consistently, how much money will his mom give him on the fourth day?

(b) Sam is saving up to buy a new \$300 graphics card for his computer. On what day can he buy his graphics card?

Properties of Exponential Functions:

- As the independent variable increases by a constant amount, the dependent variable increases by a _____ .
(As the independent variable increases by one, the dependent variable increases by a _____ equal to the _____ of the exponential function.)
- The _____ of consecutive finite differences is a constant.
- For bases _____ than 1, the graph _____ at a constant rate (the slope of the graph gets steeper as x increases)
- For bases _____ 0 and 1, the graph _____ at a constant rate (the slope of the graph gets less steep as x increases)
- $b^0 = 1$, for all $b \in \mathbb{R}$, $b \neq 0$