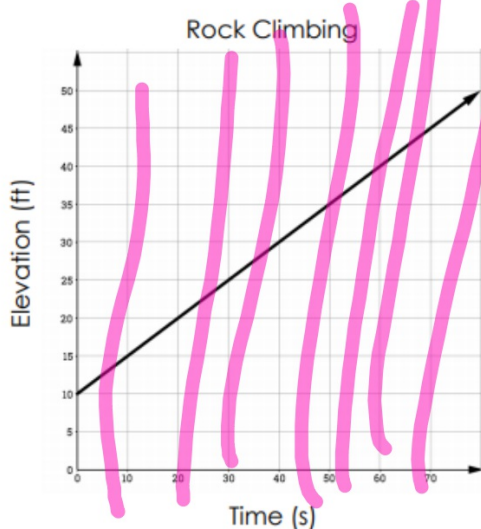


# Bellwork: Algebra 1

1. Write down your work for the week in your planner.
2. You will need your Algebra Nation book and a highlighter (2 if you have them)
3. Answer the following question in the TUESDAY section of your bellwork sheet.

The graph below represents a rock climber's height as she ascends a hill.



a. The above graph is (circle one) linear/nonlinear.

c. What is the  $y$ -intercept and what does the  $y$ -intercept represent?

$(0, 10)$

b. Is the above graph a function? Explain.

Yes

d. Why would there not be an  $x$ -intercept for this situation?

It's important to understand key features of graphs.

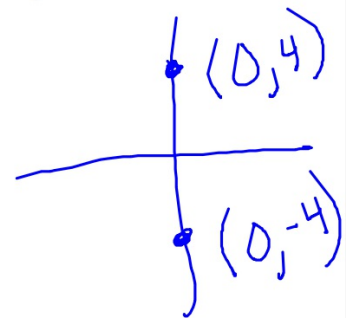
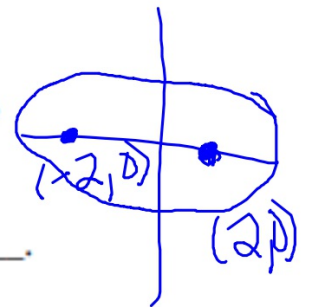
➤ An ***x-intercept*** of a graph is the location where the graph crosses the x axis.

➤ The *y*-coordinate of the *x*-intercept is always 0.

➤ The ***y-intercept*** of a graph is the location where the graph crosses the y axis.

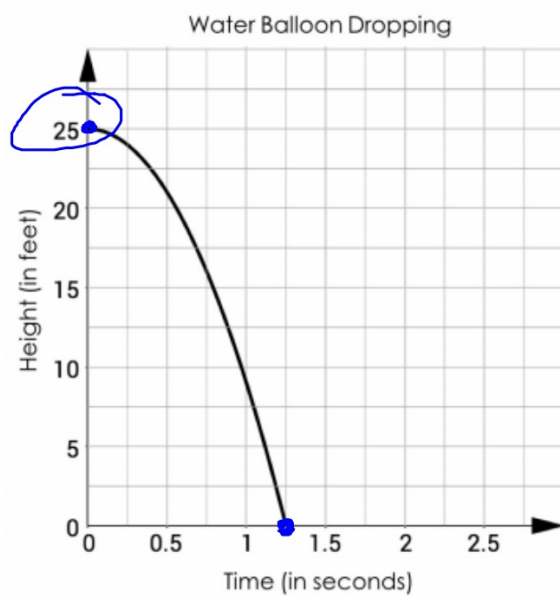
➤ The *x*-coordinate of the *y*-intercept is always 0.

➤ The *x*-intercept is the solution to  $f(x) = 0$ .



All of these features are very helpful in understanding real-world context.

4. Consider the following graph that represents the height, in feet, of a water balloon dropped from a 2<sup>nd</sup> story window after a given number of seconds.



- a. What is the  $x$ -intercept?  $(1.25, 0)$
- b. What is the  $y$ -intercept?  $(0, 25)$
- c. Label the intercepts on the graph.

**Try It!**

5. Refer to the previous problem for the following questions.

- a. What does the  $y$ -intercept represent in this real-world context?

The height he's throwing the water balloon from.

- b. What does the  $x$ -intercept represent in this real-world context?

The time it takes for the balloon to hit the ground

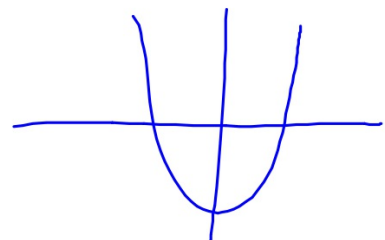
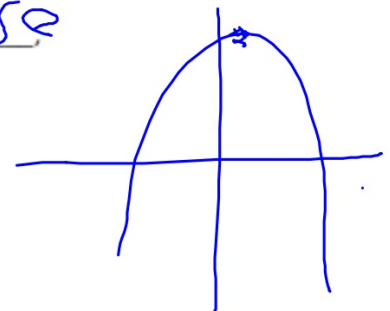
- c. What is the solution to this situation?

1.25 seconds

**Section 3 – Topic 8**  
**Key Features of Graphs of Functions – Part 2**

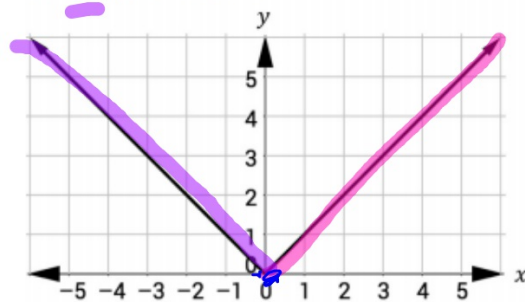
Let's discuss other key features of graphs of functions.

- **Domain:** the input or the x values.
- **Range:** the output or the y-values.
- **Increasing intervals:** as the x-values increase, the y-values increase.
- **Decreasing intervals:** as the x-values increase, the y-values decrease.
- **Relative maximum:** the point on a graph where the interval changes from increasing to decreasing.
- **Relative minimum:** the point on a graph where the interval changes from decreasing to increasing.



**Let's Practice!**

1. Use the following graph of an **absolute value function** to answer the questions below.



- a. Define the domain.

$x = \mathbb{R}$  - All real #'s

- b. Define the range.

$y \geq 0$

- c. Where is the graph increasing?

$x > 0$

- d. Where is the graph decreasing?

$x < 0$

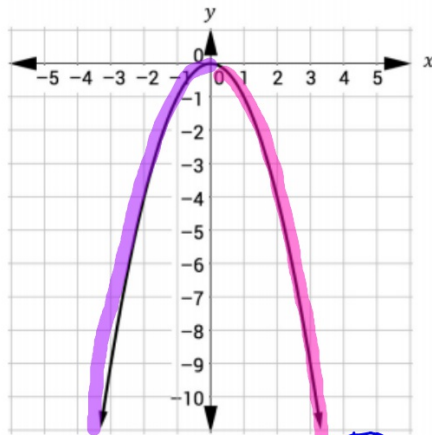
- e. Identify any relative maximums.

No!

- f. Identify any relative minimums.

$(0, 0)$

2. Use the graph of the following **quadratic function** to answer the questions below.



$$x^2$$

- a. Define the domain.

$$x = \mathbb{R}$$

- b. Define the range.

$$y \leq 0$$

- c. Where is the graph increasing?

$$x < 0$$

- d. Where is the graph decreasing?

$$x > 0$$

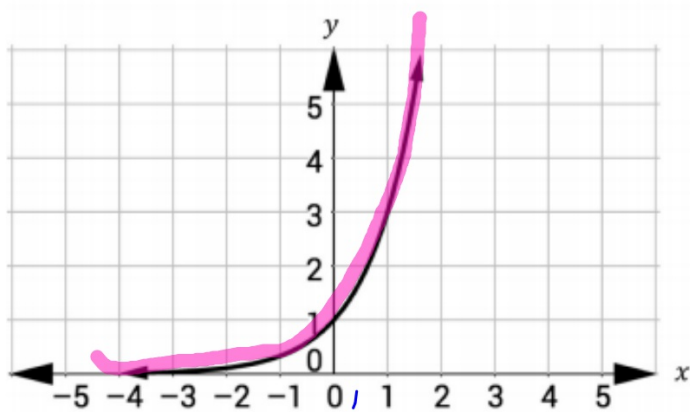
- e. Identify any relative maximums.

$$(0, 0)$$

- f. Identify any relative minimums.

No!

3. Describe everything you know about the key features of the following graph of an **exponential function**.



$$3^x$$

domain:  $x = \mathbb{R}$

range:  $y > 0$

increasing:  $x = \mathbb{R}$

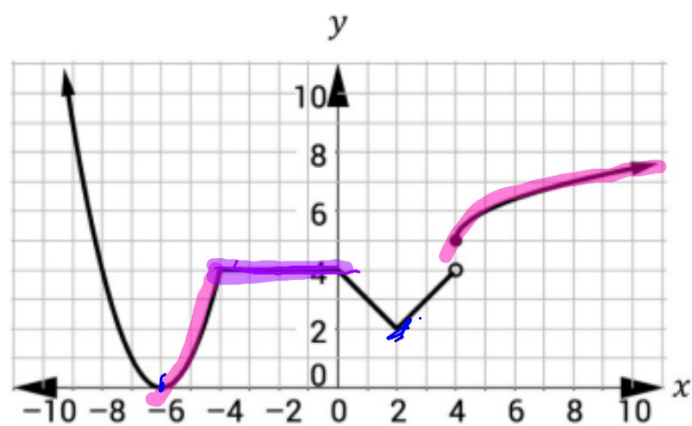
decreasing: Never!

No max or min



### BEAT THE TEST!

1. The following graph is a **piecewise function**.



Which of the following statements are true about the graph? Select all that apply.

- The graph is increasing when the domain is  $-6 < x < -4$ .
- The graph has exactly one relative minimum.
- The graph is increasing when  $-4 \leq x \leq 0$ .
- The graph is increasing when  $x > 4$ .
- The graph is decreasing when the domain is  $\{x \mid x < -6 \text{ or } x > 2\}$ .
- The range is  $\{y \mid 0 \leq y < 4 \text{ or } y = 5\}$ .
- There is a relative minimum at  $(2, 2)$ .