

Exponential Decay and Growth Test Questions

- 1** Identify the function as exponential growth or decay. Then find the rate of growth or decay as a percent.

$$y = a(1.09)^t$$

- (A) Exponential growth, 9%
- (B) Exponential growth, 81%
- (C) Exponential decay, 9%
- (D) Exponential decay, 81%

- 2** Identify the function as exponential growth or decay.

$$y = a\left(\frac{8}{5}\right)^t$$

- (A) Exponential growth
- (B) Exponential decay

- 3** The value of a book is \$258 and decreases at a rate of 8% per year. Find the value of the book after 11 years.

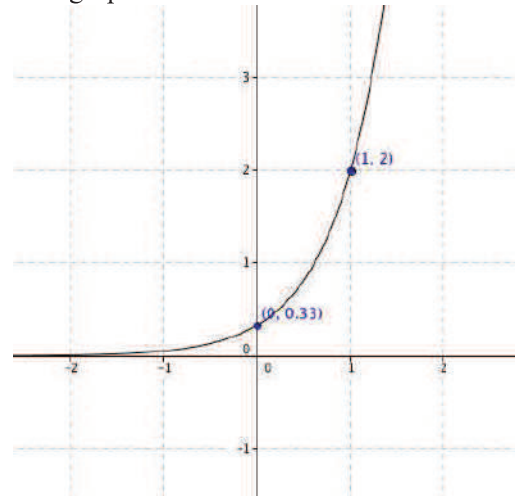
- (A) \$56.98
- (B) \$159.03
- (C) \$101.38
- (D) \$103.10

- 4** Write an exponential growth function to model the situation given below to find the value of the function after the given amount of time.

Membership of a local club grows at a rate of $7\frac{7}{8}\%$ yearly and currently has 30 members. Find the membership after 6 years.

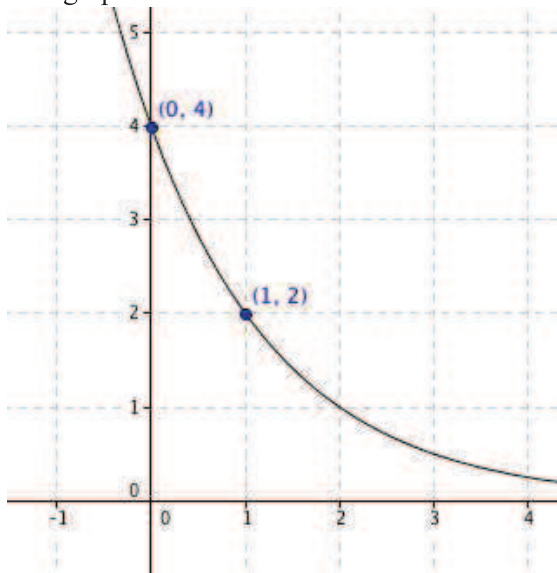
- (A) 44
- (B) 47
- (C) 53
- (D) 61

- 5** The graph of which function is shown?



- (A) $f(x) = 6^x$
- (B) $f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$
- (C) $f(x) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 6^x$
- (D) $f(x) = 6 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$

6 The graph of which function is shown?



- (A) $y = (0.25)^x$
- (B) $y = (0.5)^x$
- (C) $y = 0.25 \cdot (0.5)^x$
- (D) $y = 4 \cdot (0.5)^x$

7 In 2004 a person purchased a car for \$25,000. The value of the car decreased by 14% annually. *Describe* and correct the error in writing a function that models the value of the car since 2004. Justify your reasoning.

Error

$$y = a(1 - r)^t$$

$$= 25,000(0.14)^t$$
