

## Evaluating Equations in Function Notation

What is Function Notation: It replaces  $y$  with  $f(x)$

$f(x)$  is read “ $f$  of  $x$ ” or “the value of  $f$  at  $x$ ”

Example:  $y = 3x + 2$  becomes  $f(x) = 3x + 2$  (mathematically nothing changes!)

DIRECTIONS: Evaluate the function for the given value of the variable.

1. $f(x) = 4x + 1$  $f(2) =$  $f(0) =$  $f(-2) =$	2. $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ $g(x) = -\frac{1}{x}$  $f(5) =$  $g(2) =$  $f(0) =$  $g(-2) =$
3. $h(x) = x^2 - 2x - 3$  $h(a) =$  $h(2m) =$  $h(1 - p) =$  $h(2a + 1) =$	4. Given $f(x) =  2x + 1 $ and $g(x) = x^2 - x$  $f(3) =$  $f(-3) =$  $g(3) =$  $g(-3) =$  $g(2a) =$

5.  $f(x) = 4x + 10$

$f(x) = -10$

$f(x) = -30$

$f(x) = 18$

6. Find the error in the student's work.



$$f(x) = -3x^2 - 2x + 5$$

$$f(-2) = -3 - 2^2 - 2 - 2 + 5$$

$$f(-2) = -3 - 4 - 2 - 2 + 5$$

$$f(-2) = -6$$

7. For what value of  $x$  are  $f(x) = 4x + 9$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + 13$  equivalent?

### Evaluating Equations Extra Practice

Evaluate the function for the given value of the variable.

1. If  $f(x) = 3x + 4$ ,      2. If  $f(x) = -\sqrt{x-3}$ ,      3. If  $h(x) = |x - 4|$ ,      4. If  $g(x) = 3x^3$ ,  
*Find f(2)*                    *Find f(19)*                    *Find h(-6)*                    *Find g(-2)*

5. If  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 2$ ,      6. If  $h(x) = (x - 2)^2 + 2$ ,      7. If  $g(x) = 2x^2 - x$ ,      8. If  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2x+3}$ ,  
*Find f(2 - a)*                    *Find h(2b)*                    *Find g(m - 2)*                    *Find f(4n^2)*

9. If  $f(x) = 5x - 15$

*find x if f(x) = 10*

10. If  $f(x) = x^2 - 10$

*find x if f(x) = 26*

11. If  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 12$

*find x if f(x) = 23*

**Evaluate each function. Check your work against the answers on the back.**

1)  $g(x) = x^2 + 2x$ ; Find  $g(-5)$

2)  $h(n) = -4^{n+1}$ ; Find  $h(2)$

3)  $h(t) = 2|t - 2|$ ; Find  $h(-7)$

4)  $g(x) = 2x - 2$ ; Find  $g(-10)$

5)  $g(n) = 2^{n+3} - 2$ ; Find  $g(0)$

6)  $h(n) = -n^2 + 3n$ ; Find  $h(6)$

7)  $p(t) = 2t$ ; Find  $p(-4t)$

8)  $p(n) = n^2 - 2n$ ; Find  $p(4n)$

9)  $f(x) = 2^{2x+2}$ ; Find  $f(x+1)$

10)  $g(n) = 2^{-n-1} - 1$ ; Find  $g(3n)$

11)  $h(a) = 3a^2 + 3$ ; Find  $h(a-3)$

12)  $g(x) = x - 4$ ; Find  $g(-4x)$

## Answers to Evaluating Functions Algebraically

$$1) \ g(-5) = 15$$

$$5) \ g(0) = 6$$

$$9) \ f(x+1) = 2^{2x+4}$$

$$2) \ h(2) = -64$$

$$6) \ h(6) = -18$$

$$10) \ g(3n) = 2^{-3n-1} - 1$$

$$3) \ h(-7) = 18$$

$$7) \ p(-4t) = -8t$$

$$11) \ 3a^2 - 18a + 30$$

$$4) \ g(-10) = -22$$

$$8) \ p(4n) = 16n^2 - 8n$$

$$12) \ g(-4x) = -4x - 4$$