

Warm Up #3

Perform the indicated operation. Assume all variables are positive.

1. $9x^{\frac{2}{3}} - 2x^{\frac{2}{3}}$

ANSWER $7x^{\frac{2}{3}}$

2. $\frac{28x}{4x^{1/5}}$

ANSWER $7x^{\frac{4}{5}}$

Let $f(x) = 3x + 5$ and $g(x) = 2x^2 - 7$. Find the following.

3. $f(-6)$

ANSWER -13

4. $g(-4)$

ANSWER 25

$2(-4)^2 - 7$

$2(16) - 7$

$32 - 7$

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Objective: Perform operations with functions.

KEY CONCEPT**Operations on Functions**

Let f and g be any two functions. A new function h can be defined by performing any of the four basic operations on f and g .

Operation	Definition	Example: $f(x) = 5x, g(x) = x + 2$
Addition	$h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$	$h(x) = 5x + (x + 2) = 6x + 2$
Subtraction	$h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$	$h(x) = 5x - (x + 2) = 4x - 2$
Multiplication	$h(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$	$h(x) = 5x(x + 2) = 5x^2 + 10x$
Division	$h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$	$h(x) = \frac{5x}{x + 2}$

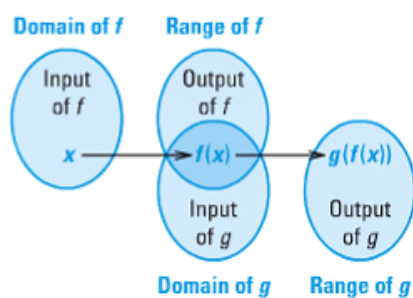
The domain of h consists of the x -values that are in the domains of both f and g . Additionally, the domain of the quotient does not include x -values for which $g(x) = 0$.

KEY CONCEPT**Composition of Functions**

The **composition** of a function g with a function f is:

$$h(x) = g(f(x))$$

The domain of h is the set of all x -values such that x is in the domain of f and $f(x)$ is in the domain of g .



Let $f(x) = 4x^{1/2}$ and $g(x) = -9x^{1/2}$. Find the following and their domains.

1. $f(x) + g(x)$

$$4x^{1/2} + (-9x^{1/2}) = -5x^{1/2}$$

$$\text{Domain: } x \geq 0$$

2. $f(x) - g(x)$

$$4x^{1/2} - (-9x^{1/2}) = 13x^{1/2}$$

$$x \geq 0$$

Let $f(x) = -2x^{2/3} + 3x^{1/2}$ and $g(x) = 7x^{2/3} - 4x^{1/2}$. Find the following and their domains.

3. $f(x) + g(x)$

$$5x^{2/3} - x^{1/2}$$

$$x \geq 0$$

4. $f(x) - g(x)$

$$-9x^{2/3} + 7x^{1/2}$$

$$x \geq 0$$

Let $f(x) = 6x$ and $g(x) = x^{3/4}$. Find the following and their domains.

5. $f(x) \cdot g(x)$

$$6x^{3/4} (x^{3/4}) = 6x^{7/4}$$

$$D: x \geq 0$$

6. $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

$$= \frac{6x^{4/4}}{x^{3/4}}$$

$$= 6x^{1/4}$$

$$x \geq 0$$

Let $f(x) = 3x^{2/3} + x$ and $g(x) = x^{1/5}$. Find the following and their domains.

7. $f(x) \cdot g(x)$

$$x^{1/5} (3x^{2/3} + x)$$

$$= 3x^{13/15} + x^{6/5}$$

$$\mathbb{R}$$

8. $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

$$\frac{3x^{2/3} + x}{x^{1/5}}$$

$$= 3x^{7/15} + x^{4/5}$$

$$\mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$$

$f(g(x))$

Let $f(x) = 3x - 8$ and $g(x) = 2x^2$.

9. $f(g(5))$

$$g(5) = 2(5)^2$$
$$= 50$$

$$f(50) = 3(50) - 8 = 142$$

11. $f(f(4))$

10. $g(f(5))$

12. $g(g(4))$

$$g(4) = 2(4)^2$$
$$= 32$$

$$g(32) = 2(32)^2$$
$$= 2048$$

Let $f(x) = 4x^{-1}$ and $g(x) = 5x - 2$. Find the following and their domains.

13. $f(g(x))$

$$= 4(5x-2)^{-1} = \frac{4}{5x-2}$$

$$\begin{matrix} 5x-2 \neq 0 \\ 5x \neq 2 \end{matrix} \quad x \neq \frac{2}{5}$$

15. $f(f(x))$. D: \mathbb{R} except $\frac{2}{5}$

14. $g(f(x))$

$$= 5(4x^{-1}) - 2 = \frac{20}{x} - 2$$

16. $g(g(x))$. D: $\mathbb{R}, \neq 0$

Let $f(x) = 2x^{-1} - 1$ and $g(x) = 2x + 7$. Find the following and their domains.

17. $f(g(x))$

18. $g(f(x))$

19. $f(f(x))$

20. $g(g(x))$

Homework:

Section 6.3 (3-36 threes)