

**Find the derivative of each function.**

**1a)**  $s(t) = t^3 + 5t^2 - 3t + 8$     **1b)**  $f(t) = -2t^2 + 3t - 6$     **1c)**  $y = \frac{1}{x^5}$     **1d)**  $f(x) = \sqrt[5]{x}$

$$s'(t) = 3t^2 + 10t - 3$$

**2a)**  $y = \frac{\pi}{2} \sin \theta - \cos \theta$     **2b)**  $y = x^2 - \frac{1}{2} \cos x$     **2c)**  $y = \frac{1}{x} - 3 \sin x$     **2d)**  $y = \frac{6}{(5x)^3}$

$$y' = \frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta + \sin \theta$$

**3a)**  $f(x) = \frac{4x^3 + 3x^2}{x}$     **3b)**  $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 3x^2 + 4}{x^2}$     **3c)**  $y = x(x^2 + 1)$     **3d)**  $f(x) = \sqrt{x} - 6\sqrt[3]{x}$

$$= 4x^2 + 3x$$

$$f'(x) = 8x + 3$$

**Find the slope of the graph of the function at the given point and use it to write the equation of the tangent line to the graph at that point.**

**4a)**  $y = x^4 - 3x^2 + 2$  at  $(1, 0)$     **4b)**  $f(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt[4]{x^3}}$  at  $(1, 2)$

$$y = x^4 - 3x^2 + 2$$

$$y' = 4x^3 - 6x$$

$$\text{At } (1, 0): y' = 4(1)^3 - 6(1) = -2$$

$$\text{Tangent line: } y - 0 = -2(x - 1)$$

Determine the point(s) at which the graph of the function has a horizontal tangent line.

5a)  $y = x^4 - 2x^2 + 3$

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$$y' = 4x^3 - 4x$$

$$= 4x(x^2 - 1)$$

$$= 4x(x - 1)(x + 1)$$

$$y' = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, \pm 1$$

Horizontal tangents:  $(0, 3), (1, 2), (-1, 2)$

5b)  $y = x^3 + x^2$

5c)  $y = \frac{1}{x^2}$

5d)  $y = x + \sin x, \quad 0 \leq x < 2\pi$

Find  $k$  (a constant), such that the line is tangent to the graph of the function.

6a)  $y = 5x - 4$  tangent to  $f(x) = x^2 - kx$

$$x^2 - kx = 5x - 4 \quad \text{Function intersects the tangent line at the same } x\text{-value}$$

$$2x - k = 5 \quad \text{Derivative will equal 5 at the } x\text{-value}$$

So,  $k = 2x - 5$  and

$$x^2 - (2x - 5)x = 5x - 4 \Rightarrow -x^2 = -4 \Rightarrow x = \pm 2.$$

For  $x = 2, k = -1$  and for  $x = -2, k = -9$ .

6b)  $y = -\frac{3}{4}x + 3$  tangent to  $f(x) = \frac{k}{x}$

## 7) AP MULTIPLE CHOICE EXAMPLES

1) If  $f(x) = x^{\frac{3}{2}}$ , then  $f'(4) =$

- (A) -6                      (B) -3                      (C) 3                      (D) 6                      (E) 8

2) If  $f(x) = x + \sin x$ , then  $f'(x) =$

- (A)  $1 + \cos x$                       (B)  $1 - \cos x$                       (C)  $\cos x$   
(D)  $\sin x - x \cos x$                       (E)  $\sin x + x \cos x$

3) If  $f(x) = \sin x$ , then  $f'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) =$

- (A)  $-\frac{1}{2}$                       (B)  $\frac{1}{2}$                       (C)  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$                       (D)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$                       (E)  $\sqrt{3}$

4) If the line  $3x - 4y = 0$  is tangent in the first quadrant to the curve  $y = x^3 + k$ , then  $k$  is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}$       (B)  $\frac{1}{4}$       (C)  $0$       (D)  $-\frac{1}{8}$       (E)  $-\frac{1}{2}$

5) If  $f(x) = e^x$ , which of the following is equal to  $f'(e)$ ?

- (A)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x+h}}{h}$       (B)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x+h} - e^e}{h}$       (C)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{e+h} - e}{h}$   
(D)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x+h} - 1}{h}$       (E)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{e+h} - e^e}{h}$