

POLYNOMIAL & RATIONAL FUNCTIONS (1.6)

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1. Consider the function $y(x) = x^6 - 2x^5 - 8x^4 + 14x^3 + 11x^2 - 28x + 12$

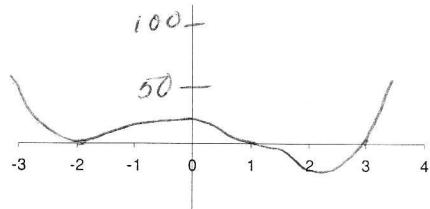
A. Plot $y(x)$ in the window $-3 \leq x \leq 4$, $-50 \leq y \leq 100$.

B. Find the zeros of $y(x)$.

$$x = -2, 1, 3$$

C. Express $y(x)$ in factored form.

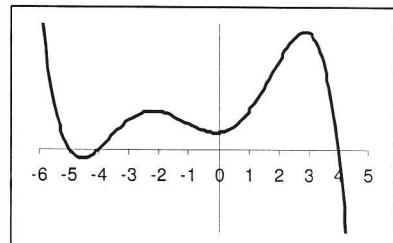
$$y(x) = (x+2)^2(x-1)^3(x-3)$$



2. Create a possible equation for the polynomial graphed below.
Indicate the sign of the leading coefficient.

$$y = k(x+5)(x+4)(x-4)(x^2+1)$$

$$k < 0$$



3. Solve for h as a function of s and simplify: $s = 8w^{0.25}h^{0.75}$

$$s = 8w^{\frac{1}{4}} h^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\frac{s}{8w^{\frac{1}{4}}} = h^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\left(\frac{s}{8w^{\frac{1}{4}}}\right)^{\frac{4}{3}} = (h^{\frac{3}{4}})^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$h = \frac{s^{\frac{4}{3}}}{16w^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$h = \frac{s}{16} \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{w}}$$

4. Create equations of rational functions with the following characteristics:

A. A horizontal asymptote of $y = 2$ and a vertical asymptote of $x = 4$.

example $f(x) = \frac{2x}{x-4}$

There are many possible answers

B. No horizontal and no vertical asymptotes.

$$g(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{x^2 + 1}$$