

Comparing Functions

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Q Quick Review

Functions may be shown by equations, graphs, tables, or words. To compare them, put the important feature in the same form first: rate of change, starting value, maximum or minimum, zeros, or a value at a chosen input. From a table, use $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$. From a graph, read the slope or key point from the picture.

PRACTICE

Read each situation and compare the requested feature.

1. A copy shop charges $C(n) = 15 + 0.08n$ dollars for n flyers. The school office charges \$23 for 100 flyers, \$31 for 200, and \$39 for 300. Are the two pricing rules the same?

2. Two fundraiser teams report their totals. Team A has \$180, \$235, \$290 after days 0, 1, 2. Team B is modeled by $B(d) = 150 + 60d$. Which team has raised more by day 4?

3. Blue Bikes charges \$6 to unlock a bike and \$3 per hour. Green Bikes lists \$11, \$14, \$17 for 1, 2, 3 hours. Which company has the lower starting fee?

4. A coffee subscription costs $A(b) = 14 + 3b$ dollars for b bags of coffee. A local roaster charges \$20, \$22.50, \$25 for 0, 1, 2 bags. Which subscription has the lower cost per bag?

5. A streaming service charges $18m$ dollars for m months. Another service costs \$27, \$42, \$57 after months 1, 2, 3. Which service is cheaper after 6 months?

6. Pool A has $V_A(t) = 5000 - 350t$ gallons after t hours. Pool B has 4800, 4000, 3200 gallons after 0, 2, 4 hours. Which pool is draining faster?

7. One test-prep app predicts a score of $120 + 15w$ after w weeks. Another app reports scores 90, 112, 134 after weeks 0, 1, 2. Which app is improving faster?

8. Section A of a concert hall earns $R_A(n) = 28n$ dollars for n tickets. Section B reports \$310, \$560, \$810 for 10, 20, 30 tickets. Which section earns more from 40 tickets?

9. Plan A for phone data costs $28 + 0.05t$ dollars for t texts. Plan B costs \$20, \$29, \$38 for 0, 100, 200 texts. Which plan is cheaper at 300 texts?

10. Driver A earns $18 + 5d$ dollars for d deliveries. Driver B earns \$34, \$48, \$62 for 2, 4, 6 deliveries. Who earns more for 8 deliveries?



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11. A tank-fill station has $A(t) = 15 + 4t$ gallons after t minutes. Station B has 10, 24, 38 gallons after 0, 2, 4 minutes. Which station reaches 60 gallons first?

12. Booth A at a bake sale has profits \$35, \$47, \$59 for 0, 1, 2 batches sold. Booth B has profit $P(b) = 28 + 14b$. Which booth makes more per batch?

13. Data Plan A costs $45 + 8g$ dollars for g GB of data. Plan B costs \$60, \$66, \$72 for 0, 1, 2 GB. Which plan is cheaper for 5 GB?

14. Landscaper A charges $75 + 22y$ dollars for y yards. Landscaper B charges \$100, \$118, \$136 for 1, 2, 3 yards. Which landscaper has the lower rate per yard?

15. A museum pass costs \$90 for the year plus \$5 per visit. Without the pass, each visit costs \$17. What is the first whole number of visits where the pass is cheaper?

16. Runner A has distances 0, 1.2, 2.4 miles after 0, 10, 20 minutes. Runner B's distance is $B(m) = 0.11m$. Who has gone farther after 30 minutes?

17. Line A at a warehouse packs $40 + 18h$ boxes after h hours. Line B packs 25, 46, 67 boxes after 0, 1, 2 hours. Which line packs boxes faster?

18. Account A has $250 + 18w$ dollars after w weeks. Account B has \$160, \$280, \$400 after weeks 0, 5, 10. After how many weeks will the accounts have the same amount?

19. Cafeteria account A starts with \$35 and spends \$4.50 per day. Account B has \$50, \$39, \$28 after days 0, 2, 4. Which account is dropping faster?

20. A theater compares two ticket plans. Plan A is $A(n) = 12n + 30$. Plan B costs \$42 for 1 ticket, \$54 for 2, and \$66 for 3. Are the plans the same function?



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VISUAL PRACTICE

Use the graph, table, chart, or diagram to answer the question.

21. Two delivery teams record packages packed. Team A is graphed; Team B is shown in the table. Which team packs faster?



Answer: _____

22. Two savings accounts are compared. Account A is graphed; Account B is in the table. Which account started with more money?



Answer: _____

23. A biology class compares two seedlings. Plant A is graphed; Plant B is shown in the table. Which plant is growing faster?



Answer: _____



24. Two classes track fundraiser money in hundreds of dollars. Class A is graphed; Class B is shown in the table. Which class has more after 5 weeks?



week	0	2	4
Class B	1	5	9

Answer: _____

25. A student council compares poster-printing costs in tens of dollars. Store A is graphed; Store B is shown in the table. Which store has the lower starting fee?

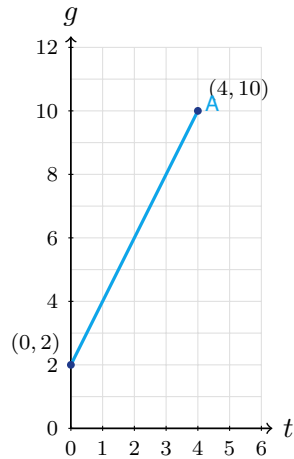


posters	0	2	4
Store B cost	3	7	11

Answer: _____



26. Two water tanks are filling. Tank A is graphed; Tank B is shown in the table. Which tank reaches 12 gallons first?



min	0	2	4
Tank B	0	5	10

Answer: _____

27. Two taxi companies compare fares in dollars. Cab A is graphed; Cab B is shown in the table. Which cab has the lower cost per mile?



miles	0	2	4
Cab B	6	9	12

Answer: _____



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◆ Word Problems

28. A school is comparing two caterers for a banquet. Caterer A charges a \$250 setup fee plus \$18 per guest. Caterer B sent a quote table: 10 guests cost \$410, 20 guests cost \$590, and 30 guests cost \$770. Which caterer has the lower setup fee, and which caterer is cheaper for 50 guests?

Model: _____

Answer: _____

29. A robotics club tests two batteries before a competition. Battery A has $A(t) = 96 - 6t$ percent charge after t hours. Battery B records 100, 91, 82, 73 percent charge after 0, 1, 2, 3 hours. Which battery loses charge faster, and which battery has more charge after 5 hours?

Model: _____

Answer: _____

30. The yearbook team compares two poster printers. Printer A charges a \$40 setup fee plus \$2.50 per poster. Printer B charges \$55 for 10 posters, \$80 for 20 posters, and \$105 for 30 posters. Which printer has the lower setup fee, and which is cheaper for an order of 60 posters?

Model: _____

Answer: _____

31. At a stadium entrance, Gate A has already scanned 80 tickets and scans 22 more tickets each minute. Gate B has scanned 50, 78, 106, and 134 tickets after 0, 1, 2, and 3 minutes. Which gate is scanning faster, and after how many minutes will Gate B catch Gate A?

Model: _____

Answer: _____



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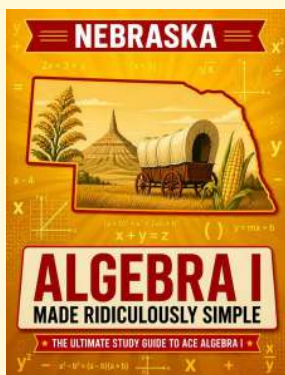
Step-by-Step Tutor Notes

1. The school office increases by \$8 per 100 flyers, or \$0.08 per flyer. Backing up to 0 flyers gives a \$15 setup fee, so the rules match.
2. Team A adds \$55 per day, so day 4 is $180 + 55(4) = 400$. Team B has $150 + 60(4) = 390$, so Team A is ahead.
3. Green Bikes increases by \$3 each hour, so its starting fee is $11 - 3 = 8$. Blue Bikes starts at \$6, which is lower.
4. The first subscription adds \$3 per bag. The local roaster increases by \$2.50 per bag, so it has the lower per-bag cost.
5. The first service costs $18(6) = 108$. The second service has a \$12 setup fee and adds \$15 per month, so $12 + 15(6) = 102$.
6. Pool A loses 350 gallons per hour. Pool B loses 800 gallons in 2 hours, or 400 gallons per hour.
7. The first app increases by 15 points per week. The second app increases by 22 points each week.
8. Section A earns $28(40) = 1120$. Section B has rate \$25 per ticket and starts at \$60, so it earns $60 + 25(40) = 1060$.
9. Plan A costs $28 + 0.05(300) = 43$. Plan B increases by \$9 per 100 texts, so at 300 texts it costs \$47.
10. Driver A earns $18 + 5(8) = 58$. Driver B has rate \$7 per delivery and starting amount \$20, so $20 + 7(8) = 76$.
11. Station A reaches 60 when $15 + 4t = 60$, so $t = 11.25$. Station B adds 7 gallons per minute, so $10 + 7t = 60$ gives about 7.14 minutes.
12. This is a good place to slow down, check the notation, and simplify cleanly. Booth A increases by \$12 per batch. Booth B increases by \$14 per batch. So the answer is Booth B.
13. Plan A costs $45 + 8(5) = 85$. Plan B starts at \$60 and adds \$6 per GB, so $60 + 6(5) = 90$.
14. This is a good place to slow down, check the notation, and simplify cleanly. Landscaper A charges \$22 per yard. Landscaper B increases by \$18 per yard. So the answer is Landscaper B.
15. The pass is cheaper when $90 + 5v < 17v$, so $90 < 12v$. The first whole number above 7.5 is 8.
16. Runner A runs 0.12 mile per minute, so 30 minutes is 3.6 miles. Runner B runs $0.11(30) = 3.3$ miles.
17. This is a good place to slow down, check the notation, and simplify cleanly. Line A packs 18 boxes per hour. Line B increases by 21 boxes per hour. So the answer is Line B.
18. Account B grows by \$24 per week. Solve $250 + 18w = 160 + 24w$ to get $90 = 6w$, so $w = 15$.
19. Account A drops \$4.50 per day. Account B drops \$11 over 2 days, or \$5.50 per day.
20. Plan B has rate 12 and starts at \$30, matching $A(n) = 12n + 30$. They are the same function.
21. Team A has rate 1 package per hour. Team B has rate 3 packages per hour, so Team B is faster.
22. Use the clue in the question first, then let the arithmetic finish the job. Account A starts at 1, while Account B starts at 4. So the answer is Account B.
23. Plant A grows from 2 to 6 in 4 weeks, or 1 inch per week. Plant B grows 4 inches in 2 weeks, or 2 inches per week.
24. Class A starts at 3 and adds 1 hundred dollars per week, so week 5 is 8. Class B starts at 1 and adds 2 per week, so week 5 is 11.
25. Store A starts at 4 tens of dollars. Store B starts at 3 tens of dollars, so Store B has the lower starting fee.
26. Tank A fills at 2 gallons per minute and reaches 12 at 5 minutes. Tank B fills at 2.5 gallons per minute and reaches 12 at 4.8 minutes.
27. Cab A increases by \$5 over 5 miles, or \$1 per mile. Cab B increases by \$3 over 2 miles, or \$1.50 per mile.
28. Caterer B increases by \$180 for each 10 guests, so its rate is \$18 per guest. At 10 guests, the guest charge is \$180, leaving a \$230 setup fee. For 50 guests, A costs $\$250 + \$18(50) = \$1150$, while B costs $\$230 + \$18(50) = \$1130$.
29. Battery A loses 6 percent per hour. Battery B loses 9 percent per hour, so B drains faster. After 5 hours, A has $96 - 6(5) = 66\%$ and B has $100 - 9(5) = 55\%$, so A has more charge.
30. Printer B increases by \$25 for 10 posters, so the rate is \$2.50 per poster. At 10 posters, \$25 is the poster charge, leaving a \$30 setup fee. For 60 posters, A costs $\$40 + \$2.50(60) = \$190$, while B costs $\$30 + \$2.50(60) = \$180$.
31. Gate B increases by 28 tickets each minute, while Gate A increases by 22 tickets each minute. To catch up, solve $50 + 28m = 80 + 22m$. Then $6m = 30$, so $m = 5$ minutes.



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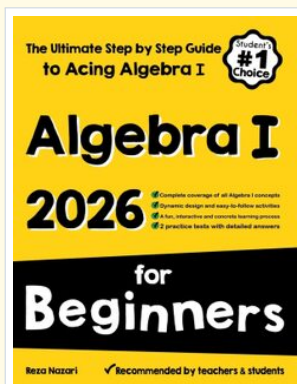
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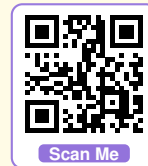
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