## Properties of Exponential Functions

## Part A - Linear Relationships

Complete a table of values, and graph each relationship below.

$$
y=3 x-2
$$

| $x$ | $y$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| -2 |  |
| -1 |  |
| 0 |  |
| 1 |  |
| 2 |  |



## Part B - Quadratic Functions

$$
y=2 x^{2}
$$

| $x$ | $y$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| -2 |  |
| -1 |  |
| 0 |  |
| 1 |  |
| 2 |  |



$$
y=x^{2}-2 x-3
$$

| $x$ | $y$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| -2 |  |
| -1 |  |
| 0 |  |
| 1 |  |
| 2 |  |



Do you notice a pattern in the table of values?

## Part C - Exponential Relationships

$y=2^{x} \quad y=3^{x} \quad y=0.5^{x}$

| $x$ | $y$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| -2 |  |
| -1 |  |
| 0 |  |
| 1 |  |
| 2 |  |




Do you notice a pattern in the table of values?

## Summarize your findings below...

| Type of Relationship | What does the equation <br> look like? | What does the graph look <br> like? | Pattern found in the table <br> of values. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Linear |  |  |  |
| Quadratic |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Exponential |  |  |  |

## Sample Problems

1. Suppose the population of a town is shown below. Does this represent a linear, quadratic or exponential relationship?

| Year | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Population | 1200 | 1320 | 1452 | 1597 |

Find the equation for the town's population.
2. A polygon is any 2-dimensional closed shape. Several polygons are drawn and the number of diagonals are found and recorded. Is this a linear, exponential or quadratic relationship?

| Number <br> of Side <br> in <br> Polygon | Sketch | Number of <br> Diagonals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 |  | 0 |
| 4 |  | 2 |
| 5 |  | 9 |
| 7 |  |  |
| 8 |  |  |

3. The population of a school is currently 850 students. The school grows by 25 students each year. Is the growth of the school linear, exponential or quadratic? Find an equation if possible.

## Problem Set

## For Questions 1-3

For each question:

- Make the table of values (if not done already)
- Determine whether the relationship is linear, exponential or quadratic.
- If the relationship is linear or exponential, then find the equation.

1. Melissa has a job and gets a raise at the end of every year. She starts at $\$ 35,000$ per year, the next year she earns $\$ 36,400$, the year after that $\$ 37,856$ and finally the year after that she makes $\$ 39,370$.

| End of Year | Salary |
| :---: | :---: |
| 0 |  |
| 1 |  |
| 2 |  |
| 3 |  |

2. Graham puts $\$ 600$ into a savings account. It is worth $\$ 618$ after 1 year, $\$ 636$ after 2 years, $\$ 654$ after 3 years and $\$ 672$ after 4 years.

| End of Year | Balance in <br> Savings <br> Account |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |
| 2 |  |
| 3 |  |
| 4 |  |
| 5 |  |

3. Joe has a new dirt bike. He accelerates the dirt bike down the road and his distance travelled is recorded over time.

| Time <br> (seconds) | Distance <br> Travelled (m) |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 3 |
| 2 | 12 |
| 3 | 27 |
| 4 | 48 |
| 5 | 75 |

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