

**2.7 Inverse of a Function****BLM 2-11**

1. Determine the equation of the inverse for the given functions.

a)  $f(x) = 3x - 4$

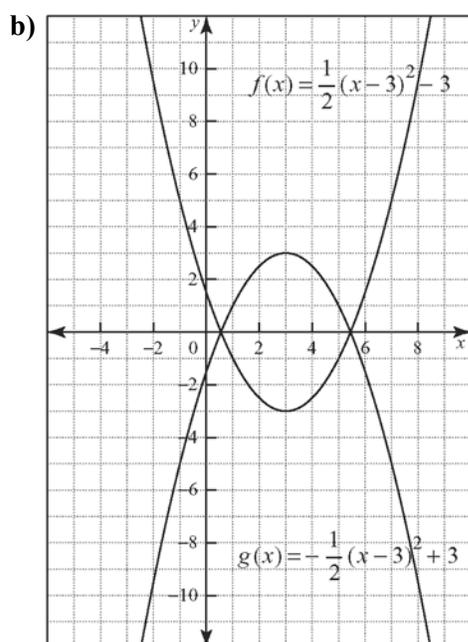
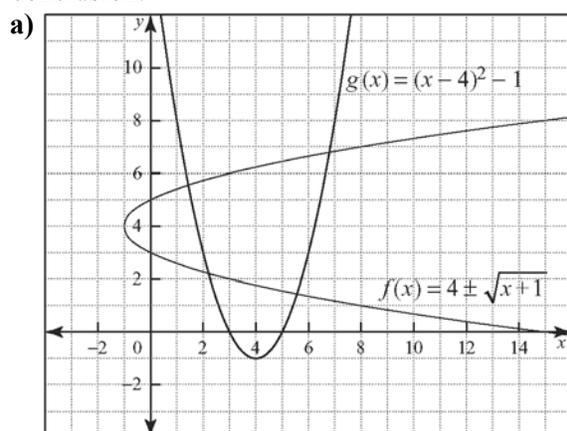
b)  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 6x + 4$

c)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+3} - 1$

d)  $f(x) = \frac{3}{x-2} + 2$

2. For the original functions and their inverses in question 1, state any restrictions on  $x$ .

3. For each graph, determine if the two relations shown are inverses of each other. Justify your conclusion.



4. The cost to rent a car for a day is a flat rate of \$60, plus an additional \$0.20/km travelled. Let  $C$  represents the cost of a one-day rental and  $x$  represents the number of kilometres driven.
- Develop a function for the cost of a one-day rental as a function of  $x$ .
  - Determine the inverse of the cost function.
  - What does the inverse function represent?

5. Jennifer missed the class on inverse functions. She is given an inverse function  $f^{-1}(x)$  and is asked to find the original function. She starts by writing  $f^{-1}(x)$  as  $\frac{1}{f(x)} = \dots$ . Explain what she has done and why it is incorrect.

6. For the function  $f(x) = 3(x-2)^2 + 1$ ,
- Find the inverse function  $f^{-1}(x)$ .
  - Determine the simplified expression for  $f^{-1}(f(x))$  by placing the function  $f(x)$  in for  $x$  in the inverse.
  - Determine the simplified expression for  $f(f^{-1}(x))$  by placing the inverse function in for  $x$  in the  $f(x)$  function.
  - Are the results from parts b) and c) the same? Explain why or why not.
7. A sale at an electronics store has 30% off plasma TVs.
- Write a function that gives the sale price as a function of the original price.
  - Find the inverse of this function.
  - What does this inverse function represent?

