

Review – CHAPTER 3 Questions

3.2 – The Remainder Theorem

1. Using the **Remainder Theorem**, determine the **remainder** when each of the following polynomials is divided by $(x + 2)$. State whether or not $(x + 2)$ is a factor of each.

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

$$\begin{aligned} P(-2) &= -4(-2)^4 - 3(-2)^3 + 2(-2)^2 - (-2) + 5 && \rightarrow \text{The remainder is } -23 \\ P(-2) &= -64 + 24 + 8 + 4 + 5 && \therefore (x+2) \text{ is not a factor} \\ P(-2) &= -23 \end{aligned}$$

b) $P(x) = 7x^5 + 5x^4 + 23x^2 + 8$

$$\begin{aligned} P(-2) &= 7(-2)^5 + 5(-2)^4 + 23(-2)^2 + 8 && \rightarrow \text{The remainder is } -44 \\ P(-2) &= -224 + 80 + 92 + 8 && \therefore (x+2) \text{ is not a factor} \\ P(-2) &= -44 \end{aligned}$$

c) $P(x) = 8x^3 - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} P(-2) &= 8(-2)^3 - 1 && \rightarrow \text{The remainder is } -65 \\ P(-2) &= -64 - 1 && \therefore (x+2) \text{ is not a factor} \\ P(-2) &= -65 \end{aligned}$$

2. Given $(2x^3 + 5x^2 - kx + 9) \div (x + 3)$, determine the value of k if the remainder is 6.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } P(x) &= 2x^3 + 5x^2 - kx + 9 & 2(-3)^3 + 5(-3)^2 - k(-3) + 9 &= 6 \\ P(-3) &= 6 & -54 + 45 + 3k + 9 &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{3k}{3} = \frac{6}{3}$$

$$k = 2$$

3. Divide the following polynomials.

a) $(4w^4 + 3w^3 - 7w^2 + 2w - 1) \div (w + 2)$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -2 & 4 & 3 & -7 & 2 & -1 \\ + & \downarrow & -8 & 10 & -4 & 8 \\ \hline x & 4 & -5 & 3 & -4 & 7 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{4w^4 + 3w^3 - 7w^2 + 2w - 1}{w + 2} = 4w^3 - 5w^2 + 3w - 4 + \frac{7}{w+2}$$

b) $\frac{x^4 + 2x^3 - 8x^2 - 5x - 2}{x - 2}$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 2 & 1 & 2 & -8 & -5 & -2 \\ + & \downarrow & 2 & 8 & 0 & -10 \\ \hline x & 1 & 4 & 0 & -5 & -12 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^4 + 2x^3 - 8x^2 - 5x - 2}{x - 2} = x^3 + 4x^2 - 5 - \frac{12}{x-2}$$

c) $5y^4 + 2y^2 - y + 4 \div y + 1$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -1 & 5 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 4 \\ + & \downarrow & -5 & 5 & -7 & 8 \\ \hline x & 5 & -5 & 7 & -8 & 12 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{5y^4 + 2y^2 - y + 4}{y + 1} = 5y^3 - 5y^2 + 7y - 8 + \frac{12}{y+1}$$

d) $3x^2 - 16x + 5 \div x - 5$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ \hline 3 & -16 & 5 \\ + & \downarrow & 15 & -5 \\ \hline x & 3 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3x^2 - 16x + 5}{x - 5} = 3x - 1$$

e) $2x^4 - 3x^3 - 5x^2 + 6x - 1 \div x + 3$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \\ \hline 2 & -3 & -5 & 6 & -1 \\ + & \downarrow & -6 & 27 & -66 & 180 \\ \hline x & 2 & -9 & 22 & -60 & 179 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2x^4 - 3x^3 - 5x^2 + 6x - 1}{x + 3} = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 22x - 60 + \frac{179}{x+3}$$

f) $(4x^3 + 5x^2 - 7) \div (x - 2)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ \hline 4 & 5 & 0 & -7 \\ + & \downarrow & 8 & 26 & 52 \\ \hline x & 4 & 13 & 26 & 45 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{4x^3 + 5x^2 - 7}{x-2} = 4x^2 + 13x + 26 + \frac{45}{x-2}$$

4. Determine if, when divided by each binomial, there will be a resulting remainder or not.

a) $(3x^3 - 4x^2 + 6x - 9) \div (x + 1)$

Let $P(x) = 3x^3 - 4x^2 + 6x - 9$

$$P(-1) = 3(-1)^3 - 4(-1)^2 + 6(-1) - 9 \quad \therefore \text{Yes, the remainder is } -22$$

$$P(-1) = -3 - 4 - 6 - 9$$

$$P(-1) = -22$$

b) $(3x^2 - 8x + 4) \div (x - 2)$

Let $P(x) = 3x^2 - 8x + 4$

$$P(2) = 3(2)^2 - 8(2) + 4 \quad \therefore \text{No remainder}$$

$$P(2) = 12 - 16 + 4$$

$$P(2) = 0$$

c) $(x^3 + 5x^2 - 7x + 9) \div (x + 5)$

Let $P(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 - 7x + 9$

\therefore Yes, the remainder is 44

$$P(-5) = (-5)^3 + 5(-5)^2 - 7(-5) + 9$$

$$P(-5) = -125 + 125 + 35 + 9$$

$$P(-5) = 44$$

5. When $4x^2 - 8x - 20$ is divided by $(x + k)$, the remainder is 12. Determine the possible values for k .

Let $P(x) = 4x^2 - 8x - 20$

$$4(-k)^2 - 8(-k) - 20 = 12$$

$$P(-k) = 12$$

$$4k^2 + 8k - 32 = 0$$

$$4(k^2 + 2k - 8) = 0$$

$$4(k+4)(k-2) = 0$$

$$k = -4 \quad \text{or} \quad k = 2$$

3.3 – The Factor Theorem

6. Determine if $(x - 1)$ is a **factor** of each polynomial.

a) $-4x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 5$ Let $P(x) = -4x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 5$
 $P(1) = -4(1)^4 - 3(1)^3 + 2(1)^2 - (1) + 5$
 $P(1) = -4 - 3 + 2 - 1 + 5$
 $P(1) = -1$ ∵ since $P(1) \neq 0$, no, $(x-1)$ is not a factor

b) $7x^5 + 5x^4 + 23x^2 + 8$ Let $P(x) = 7x^5 + 5x^4 + 23x^2 + 8$
 $P(1) = 7(1)^5 + 5(1)^4 + 23(1)^2 + 8$
 $P(1) = 7 + 5 + 23 + 8$
 $P(1) = 43$ ∵ since $P(1) \neq 0$, no, $(x-1)$ is not a factor

c) $2x^4 - 3x^3 - 5x^2 + 7x - 1$ Let $P(x) = 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 5x^2 + 7x - 1$
 $P(1) = 2(1)^4 - 3(1)^3 - 5(1)^2 + 7(1) - 1$
 $P(1) = 2 - 3 - 5 + 7 - 1$
 $P(1) = 0$ ∵ since $P(1) = 0$, yes, $(x-1)$ is a factor

7. Determine if each polynomial has a **factor** of $(x + 2)$.

a) $-3x^3 + 2x^2 + 10x + 5$ Let $P(x) = -3x^3 + 2x^2 + 10x + 5$
 $P(-2) = -3(-2)^3 + 2(-2)^2 + 10(-2) + 5$
 $P(-2) = 24 + 8 - 20 + 5$
 $P(-2) = 17$ ∵ since $P(-2) \neq 0$, no, $(x+2)$ is not a factor

b) $2x^4 - 3x^3 - 5x^2 + 36$ Let $P(x) = 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 5x^2 + 36$
 $P(-2) = 2(-2)^4 - 3(-2)^3 - 5(-2)^2 + 36$
 $P(-2) = 32 + 24 - 20 + 36$
 $P(-2) = 72$ ∵ since $P(-2) \neq 0$, no, $(x+2)$ is not a factor

c) $3x^3 - 12x - 2$ Let $P(x) = 3x^3 - 12x - 2$
 $P(-2) = 3(-2)^3 - 12(-2) - 2$
 $P(-2) = -24 + 24 - 2$
 $P(-2) = -2$ ∵ since $P(-2) \neq 0$, no, $(x+2)$ is not a factor

8. Explain how you know that $(x + 2)$ is not a factor of the polynomial $y = 4x^6 + 3x^4 - x^3 + 9x^2 - 15$ without having to calculate the remainder.

↳ The possible integral zeroes are $\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 15$

↳ -2 is not a factor of the constant term.

9. Determine the possible **integral zeros** of each polynomial.

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

$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$

b) $P(x) = x^4 - 3x^2 + x + 12$

$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12$

c) $P(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 17x + 30$

$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 6, \pm 10, \pm 15, \pm 30$

10. Factor each polynomial below completely.

a) $x^3 + 2x^2 - 13x + 10$

$$\begin{array}{r} | & 1 & 2 & -13 & 10 \\ + & | & \downarrow & 1 & 3 & -10 \\ \hline x & | & 1 & 3 & -10 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x^3 + 2x^2 - 13x + 10 &= (x-1)(x^2 + 3x - 10) \\ &= (x-1)(x+5)(x-2) \end{aligned}$$

b) $2x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x - 2$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 2 & 3 & -3 & -2 \\ + & \downarrow & 2 & 5 & 2 \\ \hline x & 2 & 5 & 2 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x - 2 &= (x-1)(2x^2 + 5x + 2) \\ &= (x-1)(2x+1)(x+2) \end{aligned}$$

c) $x^3 - x^2 - 26x - 24$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -1 & 1 & -1 & -26 & -24 \\ + & \downarrow & -1 & 2 & 24 \\ \hline x & 1 & -2 & -24 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x^3 - x^2 - 26x - 24 &= (x+1)(x^2 - 2x - 24) \\ &= (x+1)(x-6)(x+4) \end{aligned}$$

d) $x^4 - 26x^2 + 25$

$$\begin{array}{r|ccccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & -26 & 0 & 25 \\ + & \downarrow & 1 & 1 & -25 & -25 \\ \hline x & 1 & 1 & -25 & -25 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|ccccc} -1 & 1 & 1 & -25 & -25 \\ + & \downarrow & -1 & 0 & 25 \\ \hline x & 1 & 0 & -25 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore x^4 - 26x^2 + 25 = (x-1)(x^3 + x^2 - 25x - 25)$$

$$= (x-1)(x+1)(x^2 - 25)$$

$$= (x-1)(x+1)(x+5)(x-5)$$

e) $3x^3 - 5x^2 - 26x - 8$

$$\begin{array}{r|cccc} -2 & 3 & -5 & -26 & -8 \\ + & \downarrow & -6 & 22 & 8 \\ \hline x & 3 & -11 & -4 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore 3x^3 - 5x^2 - 26x - 8 = (x+2)(3x^2 - 11x - 4)$$

$$= (x+2)(3x+1)(x-4)$$

11. Each polynomial has $(x - 3)$ as a factor. Determine the value of k in each case.

a) $kx^3 - 10x^2 + 2x + 3$

Let $P(x) = kx^3 - 10x^2 + 2x + 3$

If $(x - 3)$ is a factor, then $P(3) = 0$

$$k(3)^3 - 10(3)^2 + 2(3) + 3 = 0$$

$$27k - 90 + 6 + 3 = 0$$

$$\frac{27k}{27} = \frac{81}{27}$$

$$k = 3$$

b) $4x^4 - 3x^3 - 2x^2 + kx - 9$

Let $P(x) = 4x^4 - 3x^3 - 2x^2 + kx - 9$

If $(x - 3)$ is a factor, then $P(3) = 0$

$$4(3)^4 - 3(3)^3 - 2(3)^2 + k(3) - 9 = 0$$

$$324 - 81 - 18 + 3k - 9 = 0$$

$$\frac{3k}{3} = \frac{-216}{3}$$

$$k = -72$$

3.1 & 3.4 – Characteristics and Graphing Polynomial Functions

12. State the **zeros** and the **y – intercept** of each of the following polynomials functions.

a) $y = (x + 3)(x - 5)(x + 1)$

↳ zeros : $x = -3, 5, -1$

↳ y-int : $y = (0+3)(0-5)(0+1)$

$y = -15 \quad @ (0, -15)$

b) $y = -(x - 2)(x + 2)(x - 5)(x + 1)$

↳ zeros : $x = 2, -2, 5, -1$

↳ y-int : $y = -(0-2)(0+2)(0-5)(0+1)$

$y = -20 \quad @ (0, -20)$

c) $y = (3 - x)(x + 1)(x - 8)$

↳ zeros : $x = 3, -1, 8$

↳ y-int : $y = (3-0)(0+1)(0-8)$

$y = -24 \quad @ (0, -24)$

13. Explain what happens to the graph of a polynomial function when the leading coefficient is negative.

↳ Odd degree, graph extends up in Quadrant 2 and down in Quadrant 4.

↳ Even degree, graph extends down in Quadrant 3 and down in Quadrant 4.

14. Explain the end behaviour of each function.

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

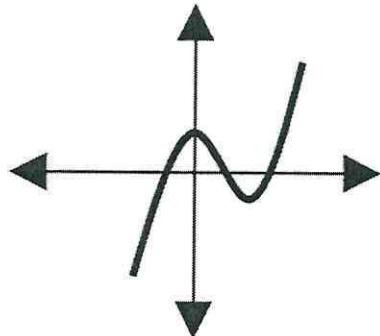
↳ Down in Quadrant 3 and up in Quadrant 1

b) $y = -x^4 + x^3 - x^2 + x - 1$

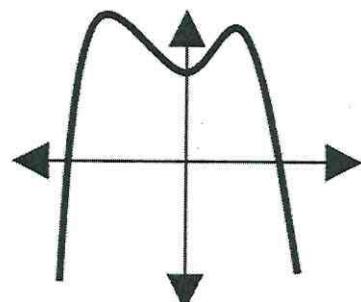
↳ Down in Quadrant 3 and down in Quadrant 4

15. For each of the following graphs, determine the possible **degree** of the polynomial function and the sign of the **leading coefficient**.

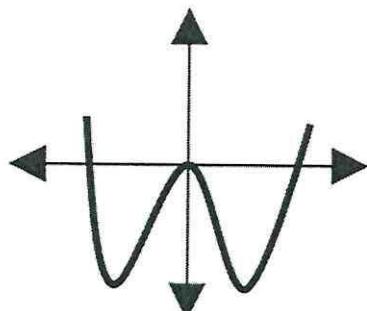
a)

Degree: 3Leading Coefficient: positive

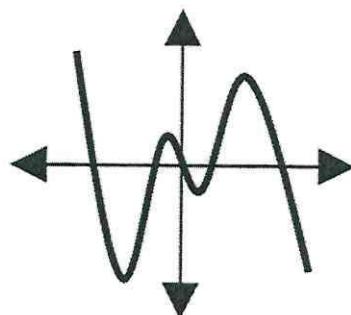
b)

Degree: 4Leading Coefficient: negative

c)

Degree: 4Leading Coefficient: positive

d)

Degree: 5Leading Coefficient: negative

16. Write the **equation** of a cubic function with roots at -2 , -3 , and 1 . The point $(2, 40)$ is on the graph of this function.

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

$$40 = a(2+2)(2+3)(2-1)$$

$$40 = a(4)(5)(1)$$

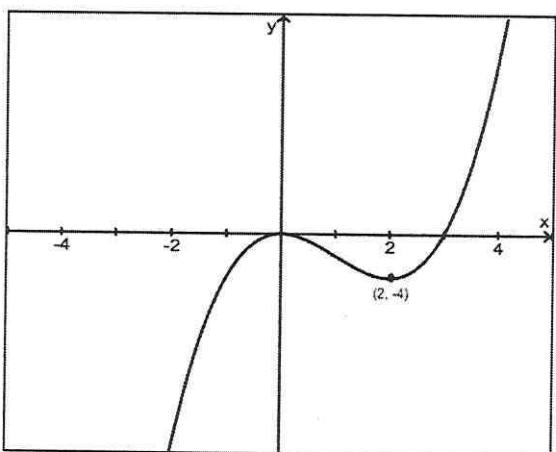
$$\frac{40}{20} = \frac{a(20)}{20}$$

$\therefore a = 2$

$$\therefore y = -2(x+2)(x+3)(x-1)$$

17. Write the **equation** of each polynomial function given below.

a)



$$y = a(x)^2(x-3)$$

$$-4 = a(2)^2(2-3)$$

$$-4 = a(4)(-1)$$

$$-4 = a(-4)$$

$$\frac{-4}{-4} = \frac{-4}{-4}$$

$$\therefore y = x^2(x-3)$$

$$1 = a$$

b)

$$y = a(x+2)(x)(x-3)(x-4)$$

$$-36 = a(1+2)(1)(1-3)(1-4)$$

$$-36 = a(3)(1)(-2)(-3)$$

$$\frac{-36}{18} = \frac{a}{18}$$

$$-2 = a$$

$$\therefore y = -2(x+2)(x)(x-3)(x-4)$$

c)

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

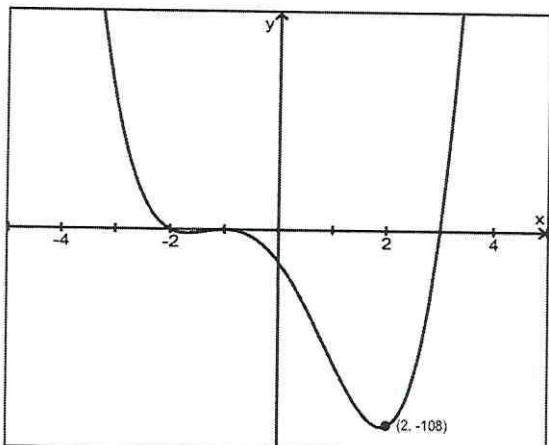
$$-108 = a(2+2)(2+1)^2(2-3)$$

$$-108 = a(4)(9)(-1)$$

$$\frac{-108}{-36} = \frac{a}{-36}$$

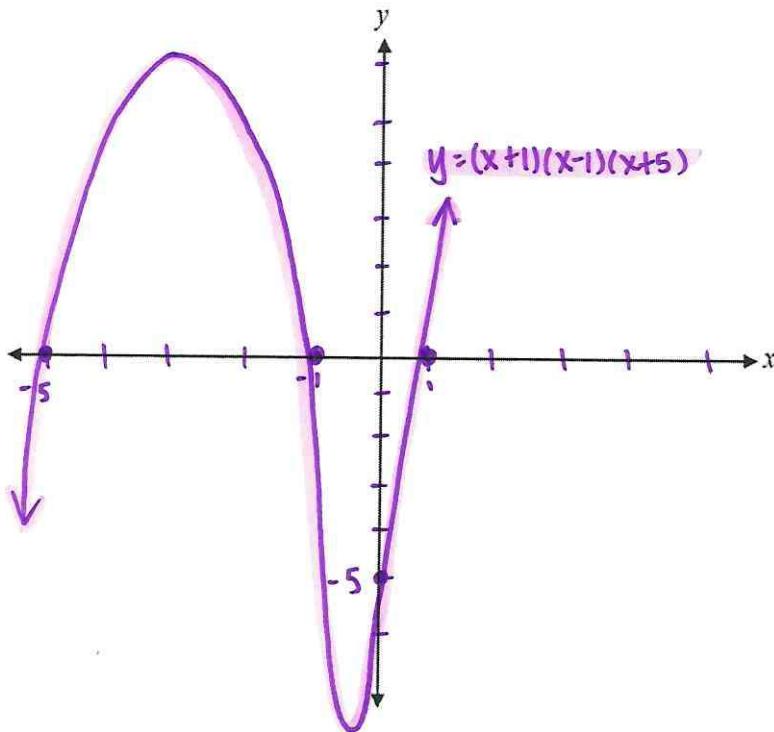
$$3 = a$$

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

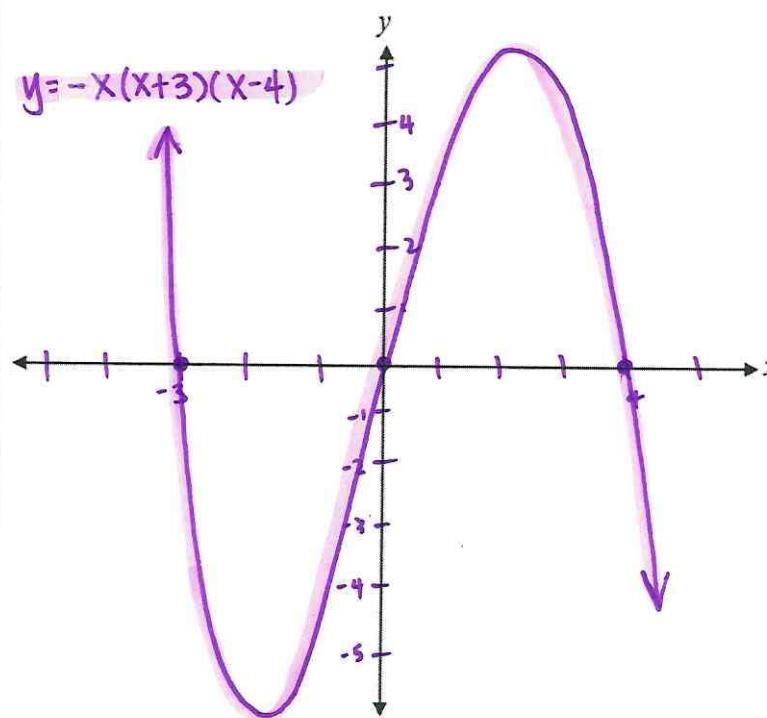


18. Sketch each of the following polynomial functions. Be sure to include all intercepts on your graph.

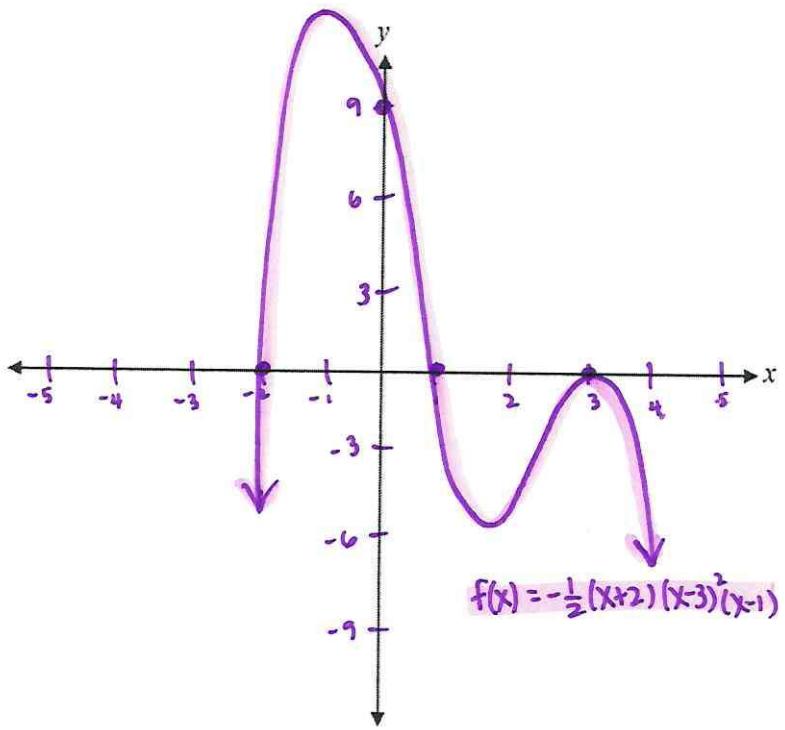
a) $y = (x + 1)(x - 1)(x + 5)$



b) $y = -x(x + 3)(x - 4)$



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



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

