Math 1111 Journal Entries Unit II (Chapter 2, Sections 2.1-2.4)

Name _____

Respond to each item, giving sufficient detail. You may neatly handwrite your responses. *This should be very helpful to you as you prepare for exams*.

1. Show the general formulas for calculating the distance and midpoint for the two points given by (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) , along with an example for each.

General **Distance** formula: d = _____

Specific Points: (2, 5) and (0, -1)

Distance apart: d =

General **Midpoint** formula: M = (_____, ____)

Midpoint: M =

2. Consider **symmetry** with respect to the x-axis, the y-axis, and the origin, giving the algebraic test along with the corresponding graph to illustrate each type of symmetry.

	(a)	(b)	(c)
Graph Example			
Type of symmetry		x-axis	y-axis
Algebraic "test"	Substitute -x for x & -y for y and check for equivalence with the original equation	Substitute -y for y and check for equivalence with the original equation	

Refer to your graphs above. Which (a, b, and/or c) pass the vertical line test?

Consider the following rough sketches of the following 9 basic functions/types of functions. Please refer to Section 3.4 in our textbook for this "Library of Functions". Complete this table with either the missing formula or the missing graph.



4. Write the 3 forms of **linear equations** along with the meanings of the constants in each formula.

Slope-intercept form: _____ m: slope b: _____

General form: _____ A, B, C are real numbers

Point-slope form: _____ Point: (x_1, y_1) Slope: m

5. Describe the meaning of **slope** and how to find it given two points (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) .

Meaning:

Formula: m = _____

Also include the 4 general slope cases along with a drawing for each.

6. For **parallel lines**, the slopes are ______, and the y-intercepts are different.

For **perpendicular lines**, the product of the slopes of the 2 lines is ______.

On the diagrams below put a reasonable set of slope numbers on each line.



7. All **horizontal lines** have the form y = c, where c is a real number.

Write the equation of the given graph.

All **vertical lines** have the form _____ = c, where c is a real number.

Write the equation of the given graph.



Consider the **identity function**, y = x, and find its slope: m = _____. The x- and y-intercept is ______.

8. There are countless **applications** involving linear functions. One involves the linear relationship between Celsius and Fahrenheit temperature measurements. A common formula (in slope-intercept form) is F = 1.8C + 32.

A table for this function would look like this.

°C	0	1	2	3
۴F	32	33.8	35.6	37.4

(a) Another application involves uniform motion. Write the linear formula relating distance (d) and time (t) for a fixed rate of speed, r = 70 mph. d = _____

Complete the following table.

t (hr)	0	1	2	3
d (mi)	0			

8. (b) Another common application involves cost structures. For example, an automobile mechanic may charge \$245 for parts and \$50 an hour for labor. Write the corresponding formula, with C for cost and t for time in hours.

C = _____

t (hr)	0	1	2	3
C (\$)	245			

9. Write the 2 forms of the equation of a **circle** (standard and general). Use the constants h, k, and r in the standard form.

Standard form:	_ Center; radius r
General form:	
True or False:	(Center (h, k) radius (r) (x, y)
The unit circle has the equation $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.	> x

The circle given by $(x-3)^2 + (y+2)^2 = 16$ has center (3, -2) and radius 8.

10. Write a few sentences describing something you learned that was new for you in class this unit. You may include a favorite activity, an interesting application, a teaching and learning technique, or a specific concept that you better understand as a result of this unit.

Do your best! Rise to the challenge! Live and learn!