

APPLYING FUNCTION COMPOSITION

Inverse Functions

$f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are inverse functions if and only if $(f \circ g)(x) = x$ **and** $(g \circ f)(x) = x$.

Verifying Inverses

Determine if each pair of functions are inverses. Write *yes* or *no*.

1) $f(x) = 3x + 2$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{2}{3}$$

2) $f(x) = -\frac{1}{8}x^3$

$$g(x) = -2\sqrt[3]{x}$$

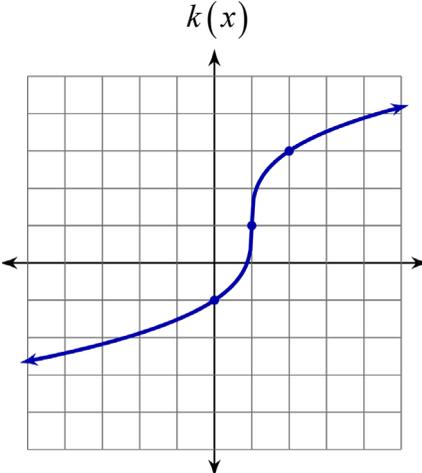
3) $f(x) = x^2$

$$g(x) = -\sqrt{x}$$

Extending Your Knowledge

Use the given information below to perform the indicated operations.

Given

$h(x) = x^2 - 1$																		
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$f(x)$	0	2	4	-3	-1													
$g(x)$	2	1	-3	0	5													

4) $(h \circ k)(2) =$

6) $k(g(2)) =$

5) $(g \circ f)(0) =$

7) $f((g \circ h)(-1)) =$