

(A) Lesson Objectives

- a. Introduce the concept of inverse functions through an exploration
- b. Introduce the inverse function notations
- c. Apply the concept of inverse linear functions through a variety of representations

(B) Opening Exploration – PART 1

For American tourists visiting Canada, temperature data might seem a bit unusual. So a simplified “rule of thumb” for converting a temperature in degrees Celsius into degrees Fahrenheit is to double the Celsius temperature and then add 30.

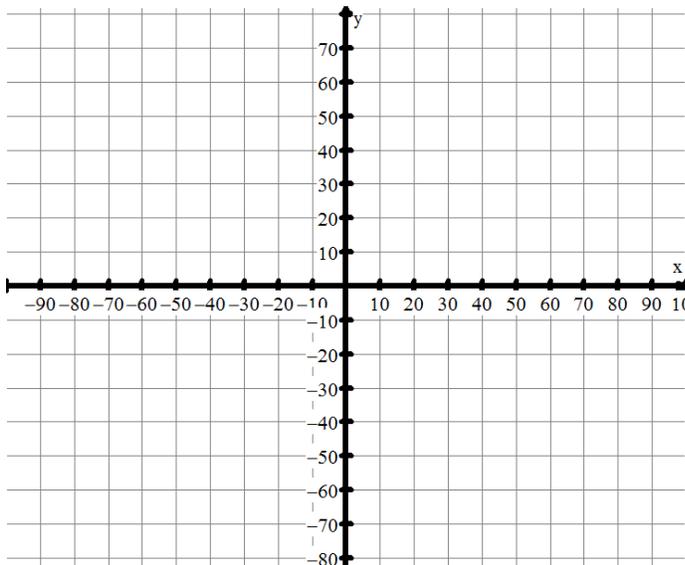
(a) Copy and complete the table using the visitor’s rule.

°C	-10	0	10	20	30	40
°F						

(c) What is the independent variable?

(d) What is the dependent variable?

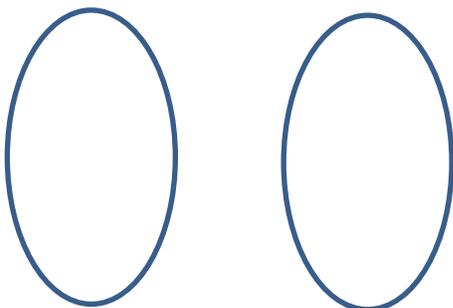
(b) Graph the relation.



(e) Does our “temperature conversion rule” define a function? Explain.

(f) Let f represent the rule. What ordered pair, $(0, ???)$, belongs to f ?

(g) Let x represent the temperature in degrees Celsius. Write the equation for this rule in function notation.



(h) In the table, $f(10) = 50$, which corresponds to a point on the graph of $y = f(x)$. What is the x -coordinate of this point? What is its y -coordinate?

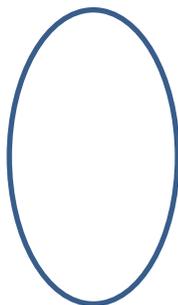
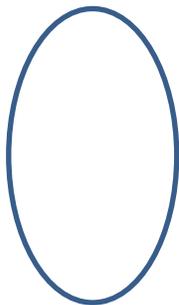
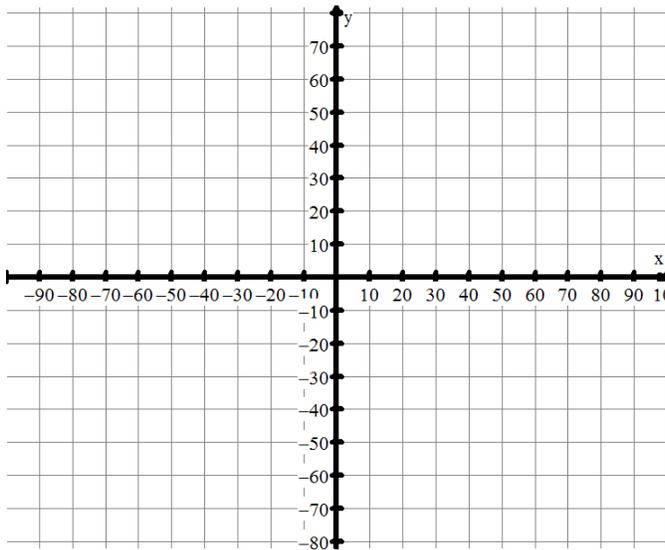
(C) Opening Exercise – PART 2

For CANADIAN tourists visiting THE US, temperature data might seem a bit unusual. So a simplified “rule of thumb” for converting a temperature in degrees Celsius into degrees Fahrenheit is

(a) Copy and complete the table using the visitor’s rule.

°F	50	60	70	80	90	100
°C						

(b) Graph the relation.



(c) What is the independent variable?

(d) What is the dependent variable?

(e) Does our “temperature conversion rule” define a function? Explain.

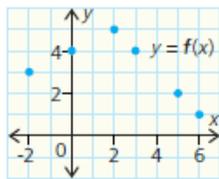
(f) Let f represent the rule. What ordered pair, $(0, ???)$, belongs to f ?

(g) Let x represent the temperature in degrees Celsius. Write the equation for this rule in function notation.

(h) In the table, $f(50) = 10$, which corresponds to a point on the graph of $y = f(x)$. What is the x -coordinate of this point? What is its y -coordinate?

(D) Examples – Working with Mappings & Relations

The graph of $y = f(x)$ is shown.



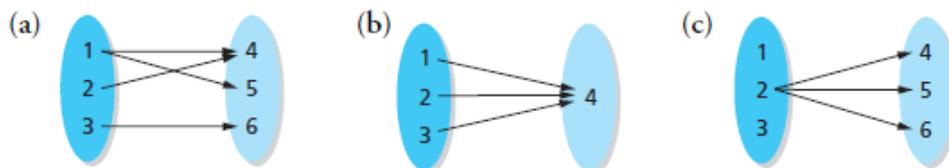
- i. State the domain and range of f .
- ii. Draw an arrow diagram for f^{-1} .
- iii. Evaluate.
 - (a) $f(2)$ (b) $f(4)$ (c) $f^{-1}(1)$ (d) $f^{-1}(4)$
- iv. Graph $y = f^{-1}(x)$.
- v. Is f^{-1} a function? Explain.
- vi. State the domain and range of f^{-1} .

1. For each set of ordered pairs,

- i. graph the relationship and its inverse
 - ii. is the relationship a function? Is the inverse a function? Explain.
- (a) $\{(0, 1), (1, 3), (2, 5), (3, 7)\}$ (b) $\{(0, 3), (1, 3), (2, 3), (3, 3)\}$
- (c) $\{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4)\}$

2. For each of the following,

- i. draw an arrow diagram for the inverse relationship
- ii. state whether or not each inverse defines a function, and justify your answer



(E) Key Concepts & Notations

- a. The **inverse** of a relation and a function maps each output of the original relation back onto the corresponding input value. The inverse is the “reverse” of the original relation, or function
- b. f^{-1} is the name given for the inverse relation.
- c. $f^{-1}(x)$ represents the expression for calculating the value of f^{-1} .
- d. If $(a, b) \in f$, then $(b, a) \in f^{-1}$.
- e. Given a table of values for a function, interchange the independent and dependent variables to get a table for the inverse relation.
- f. The domain of f is the range of f^{-1} and then range of f is the domain of f^{-1} .
- g. To determine the equation of the inverse in function notation, interchange x and y and solve for y .

(F) Examples – Working with Linear Relations

Example 3

The table shows all of the ordered pairs belonging to function g .

x	y
1	5
2	7
3	9
4	11
5	13

- Determine $g(x)$.
- Write the table for the inverse relation.
- Evaluate $g(5)$.
- Evaluate $g^{-1}(5)$.
- What are the coordinates of the point that corresponds to $g^{-1}(5)$ on the graph of g^{-1} ?
- What are the coordinates of the point on the graph of g that corresponds to $g^{-1}(5)$?
- Determine $g^{-1}(x)$.

Example 5

A relation is $h(x) = -4x + 6$, where $\{x \mid -2 \leq x \leq 3, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

- Sketch the graph of $y = h(x)$.
- Sketch the graph of $y = h^{-1}(x)$.
- State the domain and range of h .
- State the domain and range of h^{-1} .
- Are h and h^{-1} functions? Explain.

- 13. Communication:** An electronics store pays its employees by commission. The relation $p(s) = 100 + 0.05s$ is used to find an employee's weekly pay, p , in dollars, where s represents the employee's weekly sales in dollars.
- Describe the function as a rule.
 - Determine $p^{-1}(s)$.
 - Describe the inverse function as a rule.
 - Describe a situation where the employee might use the inverse function.
 - State a reasonable domain and range for p^{-1} .