Topics on the Mid-Year Exam

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| ISOLATING VARIABLES |  |  |
| - How to ISOLATE a VARIABLE (get the 'x' or the ' y ' by itself) |  |  |
| BUILDING RULES FOR LINEAR FUNCTIONS |  |  |
| - How to identify INDEPENDENT and DEPENDENT variables in a WORD PROBLEM |  |  |
| - How to express an equation in 'Y = AX + B' form starting from a WORD PROBLEM Given two sets of coordinates ( $\mathrm{x}_{1}, \mathrm{y}_{1}$ ) and ( $\mathrm{x}_{2}, \mathrm{y}_{2}$ ) Given a rate (a) and an initial value (b) Given a rate (a) and a set of coordinates ( $x, y$ ) Given 3 different pieces of information (ex. 3 cats +2 dogs = 50\$) |  |  |
| - How to identify the INITIAL VALUE ('b') on a GRAPH (Y-intercept) |  |  |
| - How to identify an X-INTERCEPT on a graph (and add the ' 0 ' to the y coordinate) |  |  |
| - How to find the SLOPE of a line (' $\mathrm{a}=\frac{y_{2}-y_{1}}{x_{2}-x_{1}}$ ) |  |  |
| - How to find the EQUATION of a line given the SLOPE and a POINT on the line |  |  |
| - How to find the EQUATION of a line given TWO POINTS on the line |  |  |
| - How to find an X-INTERCEPT, given an EQUATION |  |  |
| - How to find a Y-INTERCEPT, given an EQUATION. |  |  |
| PARALLEL AND PERPENDICULAR LINES |  |  |
| - How to find the EQUATION of a line PARALLEL to a given line - Same slope ('b' can be the same or different) |  |  |
| - How to find the EQUATION of a line PERPENDICULAR to a given line - The slope of one line is the N.R.S. of the other line |  |  |
| SYSTEMS OF EQUATIONS |  |  |
| - How to TRANSLATE a STORY into a SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS (make the equations) |  |  |
| - How to determine the NUMBER OF SOLUTIONS in a SYSTEM <br> - (parallel (0), different slopes (1), parallel and coincident (same line, $\infty$ ) |  |  |
| - How to SOLVE a SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS (find both ' $x$ ' and ' y ') |  |  |


| FUNCTIONS |  |
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| - ZERO degree (constant) e.g. ' $\boldsymbol{y}=\mathbf{0 x}+5$ 'or just $\boldsymbol{y}=5$ |  |
| - FIRST degree (direct, and partial with positive and negative slopes) $\boldsymbol{y}=\boldsymbol{a x}+\boldsymbol{b}$ |  |
| - $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ DEGREE (quadratic) function ' $y=a x^{2}$ ' <br> - Working backward to find ' $a$,' given $x$ and $y$ - (plug it in to find ' $a$ ') <br> - Working backward to find 'x,' given $a$ and $y$ |  |
| - EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS (growth and decay) $\mathrm{y}=a^{\mathrm{x}}$ <br> - Increasing percentages $\mathbf{c}=(1+\%)$ <br> - Decreasing percentages $\mathrm{c}=(1-\%)$ <br> - Working backward to find ' $a$ ' by plugging in the numbers and isolating ' $a$ ' <br> - Working backward to find ' $x$ ' with a table of values |  |
| - STEP FUNCTIONS (open circle - pass through, closed circle - use the value) <br> - Applying step functions to word problems <br> - Correctly interpreting a step-function graph |  |
| - PERIODIC function (find the and identify how much time is left) - identifying the period of a repeating pattern function (time for a full cycle) (period $\rightarrow$ full time $\rightarrow$ \# full cycles $\rightarrow$ time full cycles $\rightarrow$ time left $\rightarrow$ read it off) - Building a rule from points when 'time left' is not obvious from the graph |  |
| - PIECEWISE FUNCTIONS (different functions at different points along the domain) <br> - Using points on a graph to finish incomplete equations <br> - Working backward to find the ' $x$ ' values, given a particular ' $y$ ' |  |
| STATISTICS |  |
| - How to make and read a STEM AND LEAF PLOT |  |
| - How to calculate MEAN , MEDIAN, and MODE |  |
| - How to calculate MEAN DEVIATION (no negatives!) |  |
| - How to calculate PERCENTILE RANK (always round up) |  |
| - How to find a SCORE of place GIVEN PERCENTILE (round down, then find the score) |  |

