

Sample #1—Gateway Exam

Name (Print)

Instructor/Section **Date**

Instructions: Find each of the following. No aids are allowed.

1. $\frac{d}{dx} \left(3x^4 - 6x^{3/4} - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$

2. $\frac{d}{dt} \sqrt[3]{8 - 4t^2}$

3. $\frac{d}{dx} x^3 \sin 5x$

4. $\frac{d}{dt} e^{t^2 - 3t}$

5. $\frac{d}{dt} \ln(2 + \sin t)$

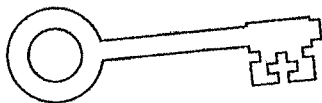
6. $\frac{d}{dt} (t + \cos t)^5$

7. $\frac{d}{dx} \cos^4(\sqrt{x})$

8. $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{e^x}{\sin x}$

9. Find $g'(1)$ where $g(x) = 2x \ln(x)$.

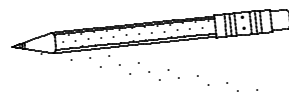
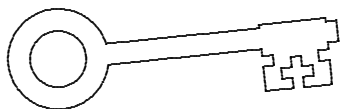
10. Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of $y = 3t^2 - 1/t$ when $t = 2$.



Sample #1—Gateway Exam—SOLUTIONS

It is *not* necessary to simplify your answers to Gateway Exam questions *except in the case of simple numerical answers.*

Question	Acceptable Answer	Another (Simplified) Acceptable Answer
1. $\frac{d}{dx} (3x^4 - 6x^{3/4} - \frac{\pi}{2})$	$3 \cdot 4x^3 - 6 \cdot \frac{3}{4} x^{-1/4}$	$12x^3 - \frac{9}{2} x^{-1/4}$
2. $\frac{d}{dt} \sqrt[3]{8-4t^2}$	$\frac{1}{3}(8-4t^2)^{-1/2} (-8t)$	$-\frac{8t}{3\sqrt{8-4t^2}}$
3. $\frac{d}{dx} x^3 \sin 5x$	$3x^2 \sin 5x + x^3 \cdot 5 \cos 5x$	$3x^2 \sin 5x + 5x^3 \cos 5x$
4. $\frac{d}{dt} e^{t^2-3t}$	$e^{t^2-3t} \cdot (2t-3)$	$(2t-3)e^{t^2-3t}$
5. $\frac{d}{dt} \ln(2 + \sin t)$	$\frac{1}{2 + \sin t} \cdot \cos t$	$\frac{\cos t}{2 + \sin t}$
6. $\frac{d}{dt} (t + \cos t)^5$	$5(t + \cos t)^4 (1 - \sin t)$	$5(t + \cos t)^4 (1 - \sin t)$
7. $\frac{d}{dx} \cos^4(\sqrt{x})$	$4(\cos^3 \sqrt{x})(-\sin \sqrt{x}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}$	$-\frac{2 \cos^3(\sqrt{x}) \sin(\sqrt{x})}{\sqrt{x}}$
8. $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{e^x}{\sin x}$	$\frac{(\sin x)e^x - (\cos x)e^x}{\sin^2 x}$	$\frac{(\sin x - \cos x)e^x}{\sin^2 x}$
9. Find $g'(1)$ where $g(x) = 2x \ln(x)$.	$g'(x) = 2 \ln x + 2x \cdot \frac{1}{x}$ $g'(1) = 2 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 1 = 2$	$g'(1) = 2$
10. Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of $y = 3t^2 - 1/t$ when $t = 2$.	$\frac{dy}{dt} = 6t - (-1)t^{-2}$ $\frac{dy}{dt} \Big _{t=2} = 12 + \frac{1}{4} = 12\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{dy}{dt} \Big _{t=2} = \frac{49}{4}$



Sample #2—Gateway Exam

Name (Print)

Instructor/Section Date

Instructions: Find each of the following. No aids are allowed.

1. $\frac{d}{dx} \cos(x^3)$

2. $\frac{d}{dt} 4.3 \ln(2.7t)$

3. $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} + e^{2x}}$

4. $\frac{d}{dy} \left(\ln 3 - \frac{7}{\sqrt[3]{y}} + 7y^{3/2} \right)$

5. $\frac{d}{dx} \tan(\sin x)$

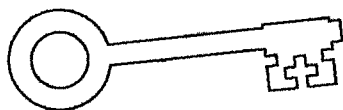
6. $\frac{d}{dx} (x^2 - x + 1)^9$

7. $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{x^2}{e^x + 1}$

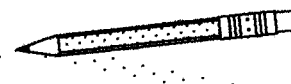
8. Find $g'(0)$ if $g(x) = 2 \sin\left(5x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$. (Express your answer in numerical form.)

9. $\frac{d}{dx} e^{-3t} \cos(4t)$

10. Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of $y = 3(2t - 3)^5$ at $t = 2$. (Express your answer in numerical form.)



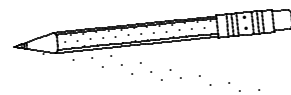
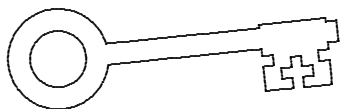
$\frac{dy}{dx} =$



Sample #2—Gateway Exam—SOLUTIONS

It is *not* necessary to simplify your answers to Gateway Exam questions *except in the case of simple numerical answers*.

Question	Acceptable Answer	Another (Simplified) Acceptable Answer
1. $\frac{d}{dx} \cos(x^3)$	$-\sin(x^3) \cdot 3x^2$	$-3x^2 \sin(x^3)$
2. $\frac{d}{dt} 4.3 \ln(2.7t)$	$4.3 \frac{d}{dt} (\ln 2.7 + \ln t) = \frac{4.3}{t}$	$\frac{4.3}{t}$
3. $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} + e^{2x}}$	$-(\sqrt{x} + e^{2x})^{-2} (\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} + 2e^{2x})$	$-\frac{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} + 2e^{2x}}{(\sqrt{x} + e^{2x})^2}$
4. $\frac{d}{dy} \left(\ln 3 - \frac{7}{\sqrt[3]{y}} + 7y^{3/2} \right)$	$-7(-\frac{1}{3})y^{-4/3} + 7(\frac{3}{2})y^{1/2}$	$\frac{7}{3}y^{-4/3} + \frac{21}{2}y^{1/2}$
5. $\frac{d}{dx} \tan(\sin x)$	$\sec^2(\sin x) \cdot \cos x$	$\sec^2(\sin x) \cos x$
6. $\frac{d}{dx} (x^2 - x + 1)^9$	$9(x^2 - x + 1)^8 (2x - 1)$	$9(x^2 - x + 1)^8 (2x - 1)$
7. $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{x^2}{e^x + 1}$	$\frac{(e^x + 1)(2x) - x^2 e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$	$\frac{(2x - x^2) e^x + 2x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$
8. Find $g'(0)$ if $g(x) = 2 \sin(5x + \frac{\pi}{2})$. (Express your answer in numerical form.)	$g'(x) = 10 \cos(5x + \frac{\pi}{2})$ $g'(0) = 10 \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0$	$g'(0) = 10 \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0$
9. $\frac{d}{dt} e^{-3t} \cos(4t)$	$-3e^{-3t} \cos 4t - 4e^{-3t} \sin 4t$	$-e^{-3t} (3 \cos 4t + 4 \sin 4t)$
10. Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of $y = 3(2t - 3)^5$ at $t = 2$. (Express your answer in numerical form.)	$\frac{dy}{dt} = 30(2t - 3)^4$ $\frac{dy}{dt} \Big _{t=2} = 30 \cdot 1 = 30$	$\frac{dy}{dt} \Big _{t=2} = 30$



Sample #3—Gateway Exam

Name (Print)

Instructor/Section Date

Instructions: Find each of the following. No aids are allowed.

1. $\frac{d}{dx} (2x^\pi + \frac{5}{x^3} - 4x^{10})$

2. $\frac{d}{dt} \sin(2 \cos t)$

3. $\frac{d}{dx} e^{(x-5)^2/2}$

4. If $g(x) = (2x + 1)(2x - 1)$, find $g'(x)$.

5. $\frac{d}{dy} \frac{1}{\ln(25y)}$

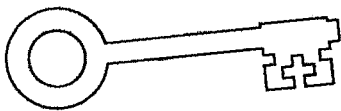
6. $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x-1}{x+1} \right)$

7. $\frac{d}{d\theta} (\theta \tan \theta)$

8. $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{x}}$

9. Find $f'(\frac{\pi}{4})$ for $f(x) = 4 \cos(2x)$. (Express your answer in numerical form.)

10. Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $y = x + x^{-2}$ at the point (1, 2).



Sample #3—Gateway Exam—SOLUTIONS

It is *not* necessary to simplify your answers to Gateway Exam questions *except in the case of simple numerical answers.*

Question	Acceptable Answer	Another (Simplified) Acceptable Answer
1. $\frac{d}{dx} (2x^\pi + \frac{5}{x^3} - 4x^{10})$	$2\pi x^{\pi-1} + 5(-3)x^{-4} - 4(10)x^9$	$2\pi x^{\pi-1} - 15x^{-4} - 40x^9$
2. $\frac{d}{dt} \sin(2 \cos t)$	$\cos(2 \cos t) (-2 \sin t)$	$-2 \cos(2 \cos t) \sin t$
3. $\frac{d}{dx} e^{(x-5)^2/2}$	$e^{(x-5)^2/2} \cdot \frac{2(x-5)}{2}$	$(x-5) e^{(x-5)^2/2}$
4. If $g(x) = (2x+1)(2x-1)$, find $g'(x)$.	$g(x) = 4x^2 - 1$ $g'(x) = 8x$	$g'(x) = 8x$
5. $\frac{d}{dy} \frac{1}{\ln(25y)}$	$-(\ln(25y))^{-2} (\frac{1}{25y} \cdot 25)$	$-\frac{1}{y(\ln(25y))^2}$
6. $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x-1}{x+1} \right)$	$\frac{(x+1) - (x-1)}{(x+1)^2}$	$\frac{2}{(x+1)^2}$
7. $\frac{d}{d\theta} (\theta \tan \theta)$	$\tan \theta + \theta \sec^2 \theta$	$\tan \theta + \theta \sec^2 \theta$
8. $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{1+\sqrt{x}}$	$\frac{1}{2}(1+x^{1/2})^{-1/2} (\frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2})$	$\frac{1}{4\sqrt{x}\sqrt{1+\sqrt{x}}} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{x+\sqrt{x}}}$
9. Find $f'(\frac{\pi}{4})$ for $f(x) = 4 \cos(2x)$. (Express your answer in numerical form.)	$f'(x) = -8 \sin(2x)$ $f'(\frac{\pi}{4}) = -8 \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = -8$	$f'(\frac{\pi}{4}) = -8$
10. Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $y = x + x^{-2}$ at the point $(1, 2)$.	$\frac{dy}{dx} \Big _{x=1} = [1 - 2x^{-3}] \Big _{x=1} = -1$ Tangent line: $y - 2 = -1(x - 1)$ i.e. $y = -x + 3$	$y = -x + 3$