## Unit 2 (2.4) Inverses Notes

## Finding Inverses:

The domain of a relation becomes the range of the inverse, and the range of a relation becomes the domain of the inverse.

To put it more simply: $\qquad$
The graph of the original relation will be reflected over $\qquad$
Steps:

1. Replace $f(x)$ with y .
2. Switch x and y .
3. Solve for $y$.
4. Replace $y$ with $f^{-1}(x)$.

## Examples:



| Find the Inverse <br> 3. $f(x)=\frac{2 x+12}{6}$ | Graph both $f(x)$ and its inverse |
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| Find the Inverse <br> 4. $f(x)=-\frac{3}{2} x+9$ | Graph both $f(x)$ and its inverse |

## Finding the inverse of a non-linear equation:

1. Find $b^{-1}(x): b(x)=\sqrt{2 x-4}$

Graph both $\boldsymbol{b}(\boldsymbol{x})$ and its inverse


| 2. Find $e^{-1}(x): e(x)=\sqrt{x-3}+1$ | Graph both $e(x)$ and its inverse |
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| 3. Find $c^{-1}(x): c(x)=(x+4)^{2}-2$ | Graph both $\boldsymbol{c}(\boldsymbol{x})$ and its inverse |
| 4. Find $f^{-1}(x): f(x)=(x-3)^{2}+5$ | Graph both $f(x)$ and its inverse |

If you don't have a graph, how do you know you solved for the inverse correctly?
Proving $f(x)$ and $f^{-1}(x)$ are inverses.
Check to see if the compositions of $f(x)$ and $f^{-1}(x)$ is the identity function. $(y=x)$

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f\left(f^{-1}(x)\right)=x \quad \& \quad f^{-1}(f(x))=x
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PROVE that the following are inverses by using compositions.

1. $f(x)=\frac{3}{4} x-6$ and $g(x)=\frac{4}{3} x+8$
2. $f(x)=2 x^{2}-1$ and $g(x)=\sqrt{\frac{x+1}{2}}$
3. $f(x)=\frac{x^{2}+3}{2}$ and $g(x)=\sqrt{2 x-3}$
