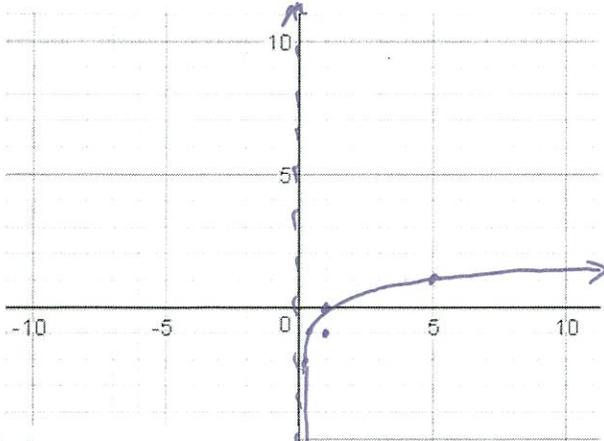


# Graphing Logarithms

Graph the following exponential functions:

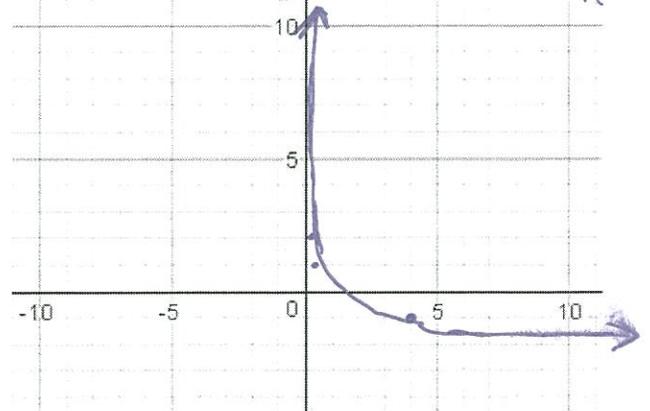
1)  $f(x) = \log_5 x$



x	y
1/25	-2
1/5	-1
1	0
5	1
25	2

x	y
16	-2
4	-1
1	0
1/4	1
1/16	2

2)  $f(x) = \log_{1/4} x$   
or  $f(x) = -\log_4 x$



Think:

Exponential Form?  $(\frac{1}{4})^y = x$

x-intercept:  $(1, 0)$

VA:  $x = 0$

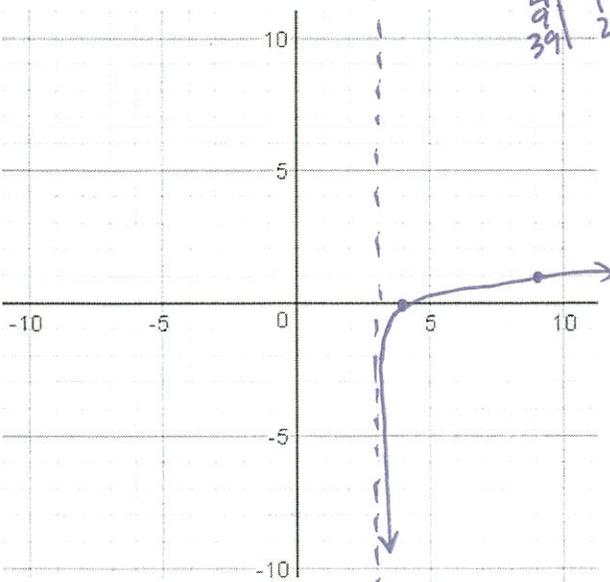
Think:

Exponential Form?  $5^y = x$

x-intercept:  $(1, 0)$

VA:  $x = 0$

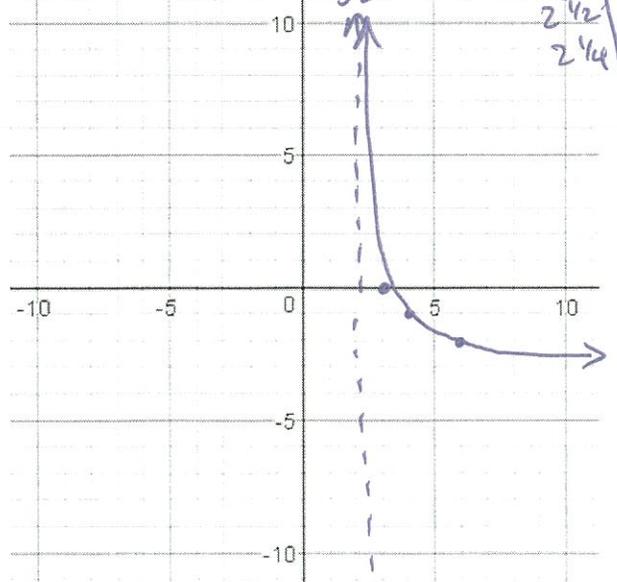
\* 3)  $f(x) = -\log_6(x - 3)$



x	y
3 1/30	-2
3 1/6	-1
4	0
39	1
	2

x	y
6	-2
4	-1
3	0
2 1/2	1
2 1/4	2

4)  $f(x) = \log_{0.5}(x - 2)$   
or  $f(x) = -\log_2(x - 2)$



Think:

Exponential Form?  $(\frac{1}{2})^y + 2 = x$

x-intercept:  $(3, 0)$

VA:  $x = 2$

Think:

Exponential Form?  $6^y = x - 3$  or  $6^y + 3 = x$

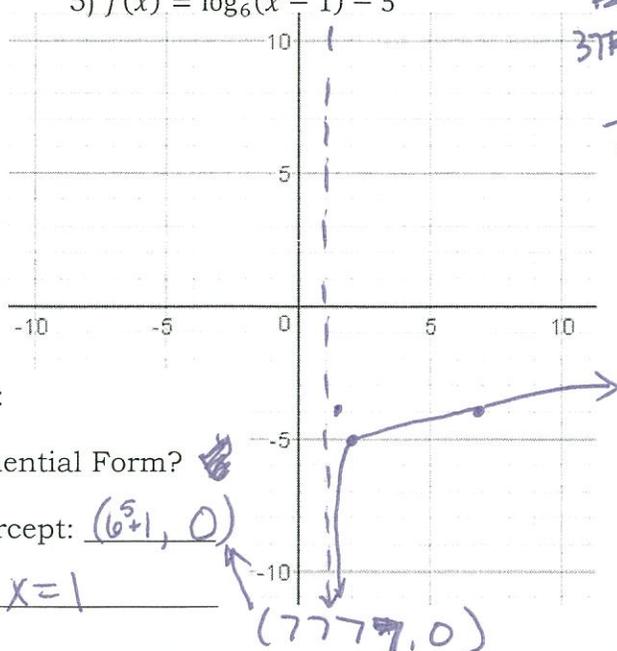
x-intercept:  $(4, 0)$

VA:  $x = 3$

So  $y+5 = \log_6(x-1)$   
 OR  $6^{y+5} = (x-1)$

x	y
2	-5
7	-4
19	-3
37	-2
77	-1
155	0

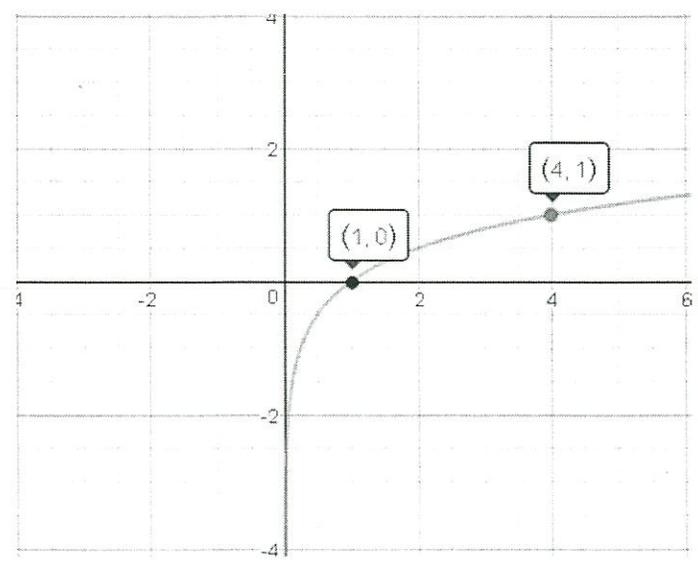
5)  $f(x) = \log_6(x-1) - 5$



Think:  
 Exponential Form?  
 x-intercept:  $(6^5+1, 0)$   
 VA:  $x=1$

Write the equation for the two graphs below:

7)



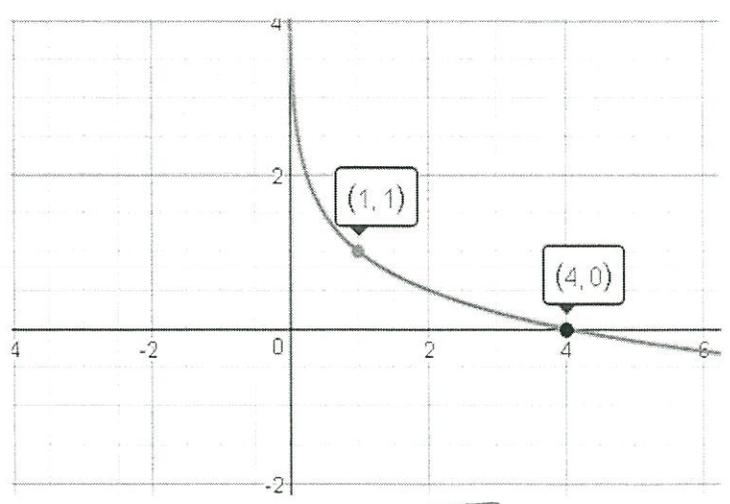
$b > 1$   
 No shift / stretch  
 $f(x) = \log_4 x$

Think exponential  

x	y
1	0
4	1

 $4^y = x$

8)

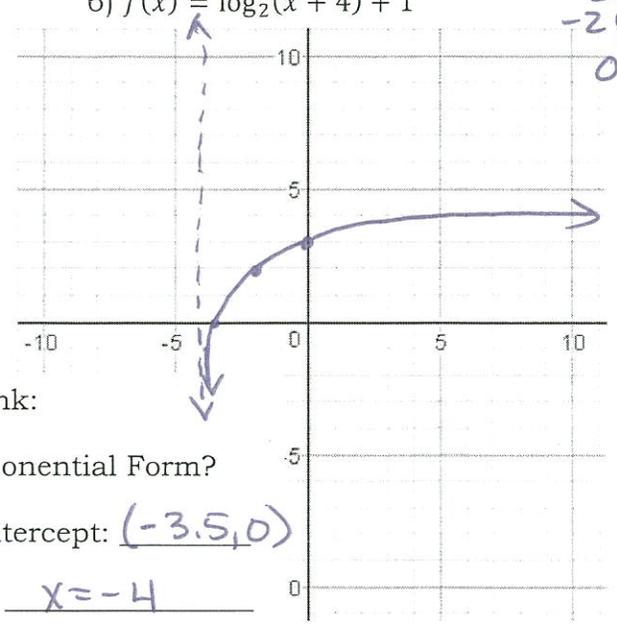


$b < 1$   
 $y = \log_{\frac{1}{4}}(x) + 1$

x	y
1	1
4	0

$y-1 = \log_2(x+4)$   
 $2^{y-1} = x+4$   
 $2^{y-1} = 4 = x$

6)  $f(x) = \log_2(x+4) + 1$



Think:  
 Exponential Form?  
 x-intercept:  $(-3.5, 0)$   
 VA:  $x=-4$

x	y
-3.5	-1
-3	0
-2	1
-1	2
0	3