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**Worksheet 2.1—Algebraic Domains of Functions**

Show all work on a separate sheet of paper. Give simplified, exact values for all answers. **No Calculator is Permitted.**

**I. Multiple Choice**

1. If  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{x^2-9}$ , then the domain of  $f$  is given by the interval

- (A)  $(1, \infty)$     (B)  $(-3, 3)$     (C)  $[1, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$     (D)  $(-3, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$     (E)  $[1, 3)$

2. Which of the following functions has no vertical asymptote(s)?

- (A)  $f(x) = \frac{x-7}{(x-7)(x-5)}$     (B)  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2-x-1}$     (C)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$   
 (D)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2-9x+20}{(x-4)(x-5)}$     (E) None, they all have at least one VA

3. Which of the following functions has a hole at  $(1, 4)$ ?

- (A)  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{(x-1)(x-5)}$     (B)  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{(x+1)^2}$     (C)  $f(x) = \frac{4}{x-1}$   
 (D)  $\frac{(x-1)(11x+1)}{(x-1)(x+2)}$     (E)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2+3, & x \leq 1 \\ x+4, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

3. Which of the following equations represents  $y$  as a function of  $x$ ?

- (A)  $x^2 + 3y = 5$     (B)  $y = x^2 - 7x + y^2$     (C)  $x^2 - y^3 - 9 = 0$     (D)  $|x| - |y| = 0$     (E) None of these

4. Which set of ordered pairs represents a function?

- (A)  $\{(a, 3), (b, 5), (c, 9), (d, )\}$     (B)  $\{(a, -3), (b, 6), (c, 1), (b, 9)\}$     (C)  $\{(a, 3), (b, 3), (c, 3), (b, -3)\}$   
 (D)  $\{(a, 5), (a, -9), (a, 0), (a, 12)\}$     (E)  $\{(a, 3), (b, 5), (c, 9), (d, 9)\}$

**II. Short Answer**

5. Find the domains of the following functions. Use correct notation.

$$\text{a) } f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 4}} \quad \text{b) } g(x) = \frac{3x}{x^2 + 4x + 3} \quad \text{c) } h(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 5x - 6} \quad \text{d) } k(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{(x-2)^2}}$$

$$\text{e) } j(x) = \frac{-1}{1 - \sqrt{x+2}} \quad \text{f) } k(x) = \frac{4x-1}{(x^2+3)^{1/3}} \quad \text{g) } m(x) = \frac{\frac{2}{x} - \frac{x}{3}}{\frac{x-5}{x}}$$

5. Find all the discontinuities (if any) of the following functions, then classify them as Holes, VA's, or Jumps.

$$\text{a) } f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x^3-x} \quad \text{b) } f(x) = \frac{x-5}{x^2+25} \quad \text{c) } f(x) = \frac{3x-6}{|x-2|} \quad \text{d) } f(x) = \frac{3x^2-3x-18}{4x^2-36}$$

$$\text{e) } f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \neq 3 \\ 9, & x = 3 \end{cases} \quad \text{f) } f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \neq 3 \\ -9, & x = 3 \end{cases} \quad \text{g) } f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 3 \\ 5x-6, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{h) } f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 3 \\ 3x, & x > 3 \end{cases} \quad \text{i) } f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 3 \\ 7, & x = 3 \\ 3x-1, & x > 3 \end{cases} \quad \text{j) } f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x}, & x < 1 \\ \frac{x-3}{x^2+x-12}, & x > 1 \end{cases}$$