Before we begin, are there any questions from last day's work?

Today's Learning Goal(s):

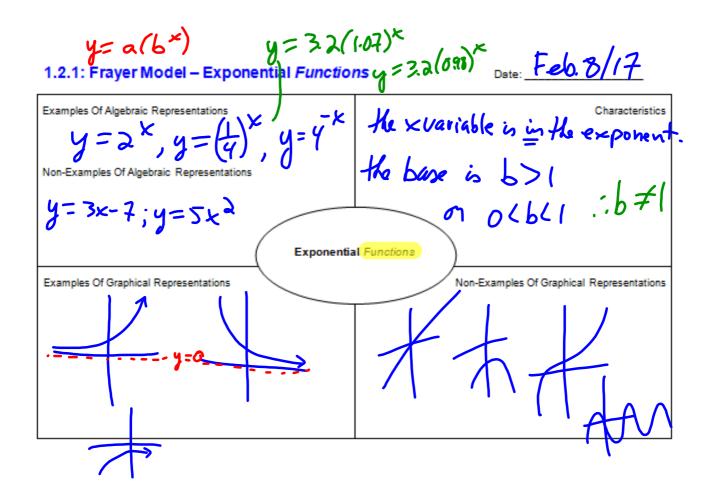
By the end of the class, I will be able to:

- a) solve simple exponential equations numerically and graphically, with technolog
- b) connect algebraic and graphical representations of exponential equations.

Spring 2016: 1 Day only = all 4 "Mysteries"

Day 1: We will work through "Mystery 1" and "Mystery 2".

Day 2: We will work through "Mystery 3" and "Mystery 4".



1.2.2: Can You Solve This Mystery?

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Recall: "To solve an equation" means to determine the value of the variable that makes the equation true.

MYSTERY #1 - How can you solve exponential equations?

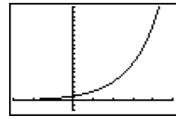
1. Solve these exponential equations. Match the solution with the equation.

Equation		Solution with the equation. Solution
_C	1. $2^x = 8$	A. x = -2
D	2. $2^x = 16$	B. x = 0
A	3. $2^x = \frac{1}{4}$	C. x = 3
B	4. $2^x = 1$	D. x = 4

- 2. Describe the process that you used to solve the equations above.
 - **trial** and error
 - * inspection
 - **substitution**
- 3. Solve $2^x = 5$. Round your answer to the nearest hundredth.

$$x = 2.32$$

4. Use a graphing calculator and window settings to graph the function $y = 2^x$.



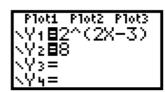


- 5. Complete the following statements.
- a) The value of the function is 16 when x = 4
- b) The value of the function is $\frac{1}{4}$ when $x = \frac{-2}{4}$
- c) The value of the function is 8 when x =
- d) The value of the function is 5 when $x = 2.32^{\circ}$ (round your answer to two decimal places)
- 6. Explain how to use the graph of the function $y = 2^x$ to solve the equations in #1.
- trace, number [(x =) appears], enter
- 7. Explain why you <u>can not</u> use the graph of the function $y = 2^x$ to solve the equation $2^{2x-3} = 8$ but you <u>can</u> use $y = 2^x$ to solve the equation $2^x = 8$.
 - ♣ As you "trace" along y=2, you are getting values of x, not 2x-3.
 - \clubsuit Also, y=2x does not represent y=22x-3.

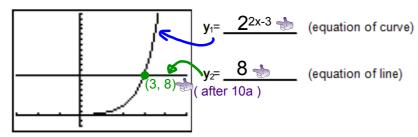
MYSTERY #2 - How can you solve more difficult exponential equations?

8. Fear not! There is a way to solve the equation $2^{2x-3} = 8$.

Enter the left side of the equation as one function and the right side of the equation as another function using the Y= editor of your calculator as shown.



9. Label the functions as $y = 2^{2x-3}$ and y = 8 on the screen shot below.



- 10. Use the intersect operation to find the point of intersection of the two functions and complete the following statements.
- a) The point of intersection occurs when x = 3 and y = 8.

The solution to the equation is x = 3

When x = 3, both functions have a value of 8.