

**LESSON** **Practice A**  
**7-6** The Natural Base,  $e$

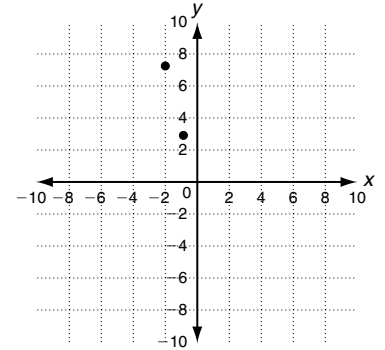
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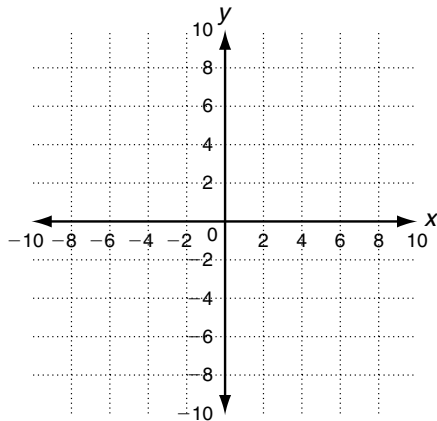
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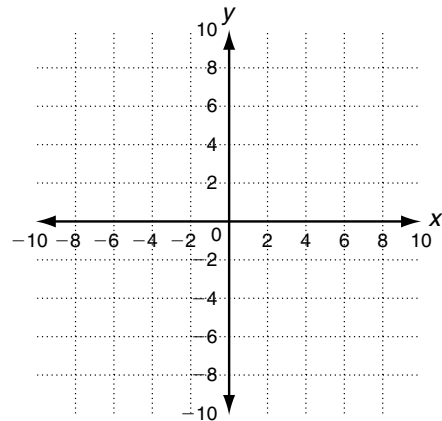
b. Graph the ordered pairs and draw a curve through the points.



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5.  $\ln e^{x+4}$

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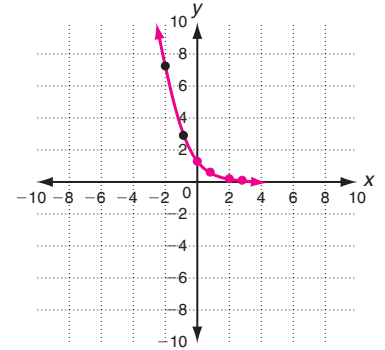
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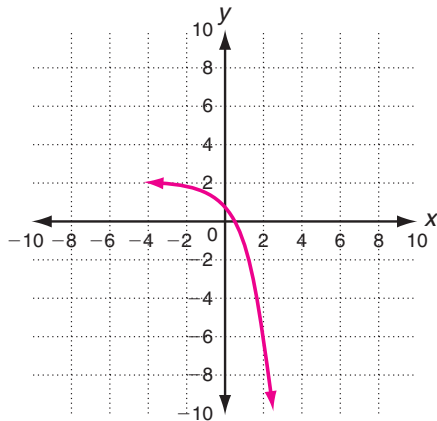
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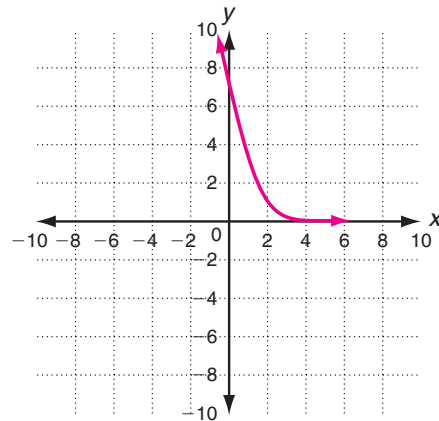
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$(x+1)^5$

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$x - 1$

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