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$$y = ac^x$$

$x = \text{years}$
 $y = \text{money}$

$$a = 250$$

$$c = 1.045$$

1. You start a bank account with \$250.

The annual interest rate is 4.5%.

$$100 + 4.5 = \frac{104.5}{100} = 1.045$$

How much money will be in the account after 8 years?

$$y = ac^x$$

$$y = 250(1.045)^8$$

$$y = 355.53$$

2. In 1995, there were 305 cell phone subscribers in the city of Dorion.

The number of subscribers increased by 25% per year after 1995.

How many cell phone subscribers are in Dorion in 2016?

$x = \text{years}$

$y = \text{subscribers}$

$$a = 305$$

$$c = 1.25$$

$$y = ac^x$$

$$c = 25 + 100 = \frac{125}{100} = 1.25$$

$$y = 305(1.25)^{21}$$

$$y = 33068 \text{ subscribers}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2016 \\ -1995 \\ \hline 21 \end{array}$$

3. Bacteria can multiply at an alarming rate when each bacteria splits into two new cells.

If we start with 6 bacteria, which can double every 2 hours, how many bacteria will we

have by the end of one day (hint: first figure out how many times they double)?

$$x = \text{hours} \quad \frac{24}{2} = 12$$

$y = \text{bacteria}$

$$a = 6$$

$c = \text{double}$

$$y = ac^x$$

$$y = 6(2)^{12}$$

$$y = 24576 \text{ bacteria}$$

4. Each year, the city of Saint-Anne-de-Bellevue sponsors a tennis tournament. Play starts with 128 participants. During each round, half of the players are eliminated. How many players remain after 6 rounds?

$x = \text{rounds}$
 $y = \text{participants}$
 $a = 128$
 $c = 100 - 50 = \frac{50}{100} = 0.5$

$y = ac^x$
 $y = 128(0.5)^6$
 $y = 2$

5. The population of Vaudreuil can be modeled by $P = 6191(1.04)^x$, where x is the number of years since 2014.

$x = \text{years}$
 $y = \text{population}$
 $a = 6191$
 $c = 4\%$

- a) What was the population in 2014?
 b) By what percent should the population increase by each year?
 c) What might the population of Vaudreuil be in 2020?

a) 6191

b) $1.04(100) = 104 - 100 = 4$
4%

c) $6191(1.04)^6$
7833

$\frac{2020}{-2014}$
 $\frac{6}{6}$

6. You have inherited land that was purchased for \$30,000 in 1960. The value of the land increased by approximately 4.5% per year. What is the approximate value of the land in the year 2016?

$x = \text{years}$
 $y = \text{value}$
 $a = 30000$
 $c = 100 + 4.5 = \frac{104.5}{100} = 1.045$

$\frac{2016}{-1960}$
 $\frac{56}{56}$

$y = ac^x$
 $y = 30000(1.045)^{56}$
 $y = 352883.26$

7. Nia buys a cell phone for \$ 950.00 in 2016
The phone loses 21 percent of its value every year.

$x = \text{years}$
 $y = \text{value}$
 $a = 950$
 $c = 100 - 21 = \frac{79}{100} = 0.79$

- a) After how many years will the value of Nia's phone first drop below \$200?
 b) What year will it be?

X	Y
5	292
7	182.44
6	230.93

$y = 950(0.79)^5$
 $y = 292$

$y = 950(0.79)^7$
 182.44

$y = 950(0.79)^6$
 230.93

$a = 7 \text{ years}$
 $b = 2016 + 7 = 2023$

8. The foundation of a house has about 1,200 termites.
The termite population grows at a rate of about 2.4% per day.
How long will it take for the number of termites to double?

$1200 \times 2 = 2400$

$x = \text{days}$
 $y = \text{termites}$

$a = 1200$

$c = 100 + 2.4 = \frac{102.4}{100} = 1.024$

$y = 1200(1.024)^5$
 1351

$y = 1200(1.024)^{50}$
 3928

$y = 1200(1.024)^{30}$
 2447

30 years

$y = 1200(1.024)^{29}$
 2387