

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

**EXAMPLE 1:** For each of the following functions compute the derivative,  $f'(x)$ , and find  $f'(1)$

- a)  $f(x) = 2 * 3^x$
- b)  $f(x) = 4e^x + \ln(x)$
- c)  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3e^x$

**EXAMPLE 2:** Suppose that the amount of Caffeine,  $C(t)$  in  $mg$ , in your bloodstream  $t$  hours after drinking a coffee is modeled by:  $C(t) = 150 * (0.89)^t$ . Find the rate at which the amount of caffeine in the bloodstream is changing one hour after drinking the coffee.

**EXAMPLE 3:** Suppose a population is changing at a rate of:

$$P(t) = 350(1.015)^t$$

where time is in years since 2010 and the population is in thousands.

- a. What was the population in 2010?
- b. What is the population in 2013?
- c. How fast is the population changing in 2013?

**EXAMPLE 4:** Find the equation of the tangent line to  $f(x) = 4e^x$  at  $x = 0$

**EXAMPLE 5:** If  $g(x) = ae^x - b\ln(x)$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constant, find  $g'(x)$