

## Math 111 Quiz #5 Solutions

1. (a)  $f(x) = e^x$  is graph **I** since  $e \approx 2.71828$  is less than 5. (This means  $e^x$  grows less quickly than  $5^x$  even though they both have an initial value of 1.)

(b)  $g(x) = 5^x$  is graph **II**.

(c)  $h(x) = 3e^x$  is graph **III** since the initial value is 3. ( $y$ -intercept is  $(0,3)$ )

2.  $\log_5 125 = \boxed{3}$  (since  $5^3 = 125$ )

3. (a) Since  $P(1) = 100e^{0.5(1)} \approx 164.8721$ , the population will be **165 bunnies**.

(b) The population will be doubled when  $2 = e^{0.5t} \Rightarrow \ln 2 = 0.5t$   
 $\Rightarrow t = \frac{\ln 2}{0.5} = 2 \ln 2 \approx 1.3863$  years

4. Taking log (or natural log) of both sides:

$$\log(9^x) = \log(7776(1.5)^x)$$

$$x \cdot \log 9 = \log 7776 + \log 1.5^x$$

$$x \cdot \log 9 = \log 7776 + x \cdot \log 1.5$$

$$x \cdot \log 9 - x \log 1.5 = \log 7776 \quad (\text{Getting terms with } x \text{ on one side of the equation.})$$

$$x(\log 9 - \log 1.5) = \log 7776$$

$$x = \frac{\log 7776}{\log 9 - \log 1.5} = 5$$

**Note:** There is more than one way to begin this problem, but in the end, you should always get  $x = 5$ .