

Mathematics Algebra I Benchmark Assessment

- 9 Each term in a sequence of numbers is 30% greater than the previous term. The sequence is plotted on a scatter plot, where  $y$  is the  $x$ th term of the sequence. Which of the following best describes the scatter plot?
- (A) The data is best fit by a linear function of the form  $f(x) = 1.30x + b$ , where  $f(0) = b$ , because  $f(n + 1) = 1.30f(n)$ .
  - (B) The data is best fit by an exponential function of the form  $f(x) = k(1.30x)$ , where  $f(0) = k$ , because  $f(n + 1) = 1.30f(n)$ .
  - (C) The data is best fit by a linear function of the form  $f(x) = 1.30x + b$ , where  $f(0) = b$ , because  $f(n + 1) = f(n) + 1.30$ .
  - (D) The data is best fit by an exponential function of the form  $f(x) = k(1.30x)$ , where  $f(0) = k$ , because  $f(n + 1) = f(n) + 1.30$ .
- 10 Paul made flyers to promote the grand opening of his bookstore. He gave 20 flyers to his friends, and then handed out 9 flyers every hour. He decides to graph the number of flyers,  $y$ , given out over  $x$  hours. Which equation best describes Paul's graph?
- (A)  $f(x) = 9x + 20$ , because  $f(n + 1) = f(n) + 9$  when  $f(0) = 20$
  - (B)  $f(x) = 20x + 9$ , because  $f(n + 1) = f(n) + 20$  when  $f(0) = 9$
  - (C)  $f(x) = 20(9^x)$ , because  $f(n + 1) = 9f(n)$  when  $f(0) = 20$
  - (D)  $f(x) = 9(20^x)$ , because  $f(n + 1) = 20f(n)$  when  $f(0) = 9$
- 11 The function  $p(x)$  is defined over all non-negative real numbers. Which of the following functions is defined over a domain that includes negative real numbers?
- (A)  $g(x) = p(x) + 8$
  - (B)  $g(x) = p(x + 8)$
  - (C)  $g(x) = p(x - 8)$
  - (D)  $g(x) = p(x) - 8$