

**LESSON**  
**7.4****Challenge Practice***For use with the lesson "Write and Graph Exponential Growth Functions"*

**In Exercises 1–5, find an exponential function of the form  $f(x) = ab^x$  that passes through the given points.**

1.  $(0, 1), (2, 9), (4, 81)$
2.  $(0, 3), (1, 6), \left(-1, \frac{3}{2}\right)$
3.  $\left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right), \left(-1, \frac{1}{10}\right), \left(3, \frac{125}{2}\right)$
4.  $\left(0, \frac{1}{9}\right), \left(1, \frac{1}{3}\right), (2, 1)$
5.  $\left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right), (1, 3), (3, 12)$

**In Exercises 6–10, use the properties of exponents to write both functions so that each has the same constant raised to a power, then determine which function has the greater value when  $x = 1$ .**

6.  $f(x) = 3 \cdot 2^{8x}$   
 $g(x) = 3 \cdot 4^{6x}$
7.  $f(x) = 2 \cdot 4^{2x-1}$   
 $g(x) = 5 \cdot 16^{x+2}$
8.  $f(x) = 25^{x+1}$   
 $g(x) = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{-2x}$
9.  $f(x) = 6 \cdot 16^x$   
 $g(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 64^x$
10.  $f(x) = 1000 \cdot (2.25)^{5x}$   
 $g(x) = 2000 \cdot (1.5)^{3x}$