

**Learning Goal:** I will be write and interpret logarithmic equations.

**Minds On:** Zombie Apocalypse and Population Growth

**Action:** Logarithmic Investigation

**Consolidation:** Evaluating Logs

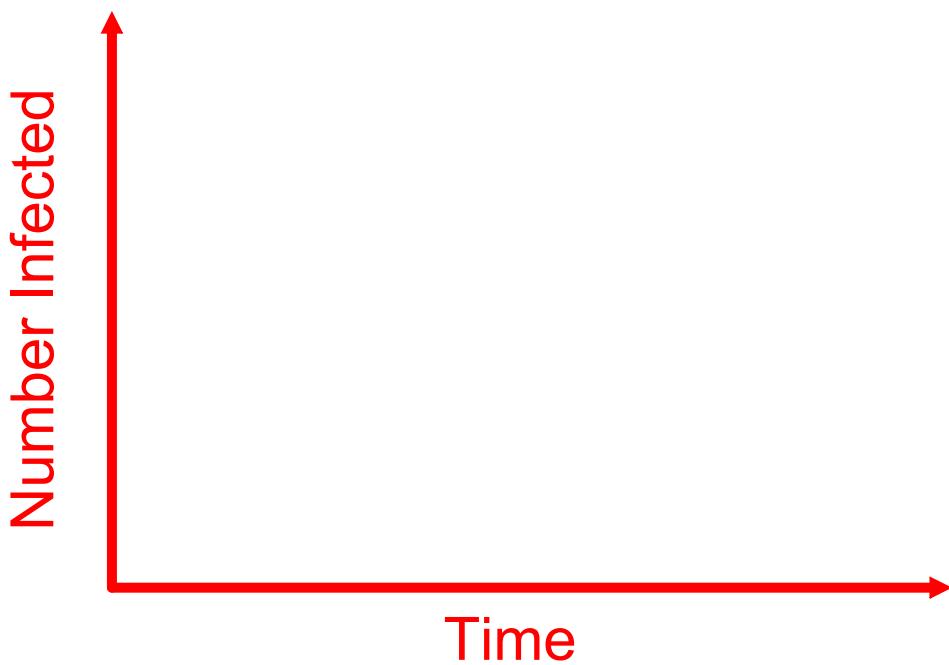
# Unit 7

## Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

**Minds On**

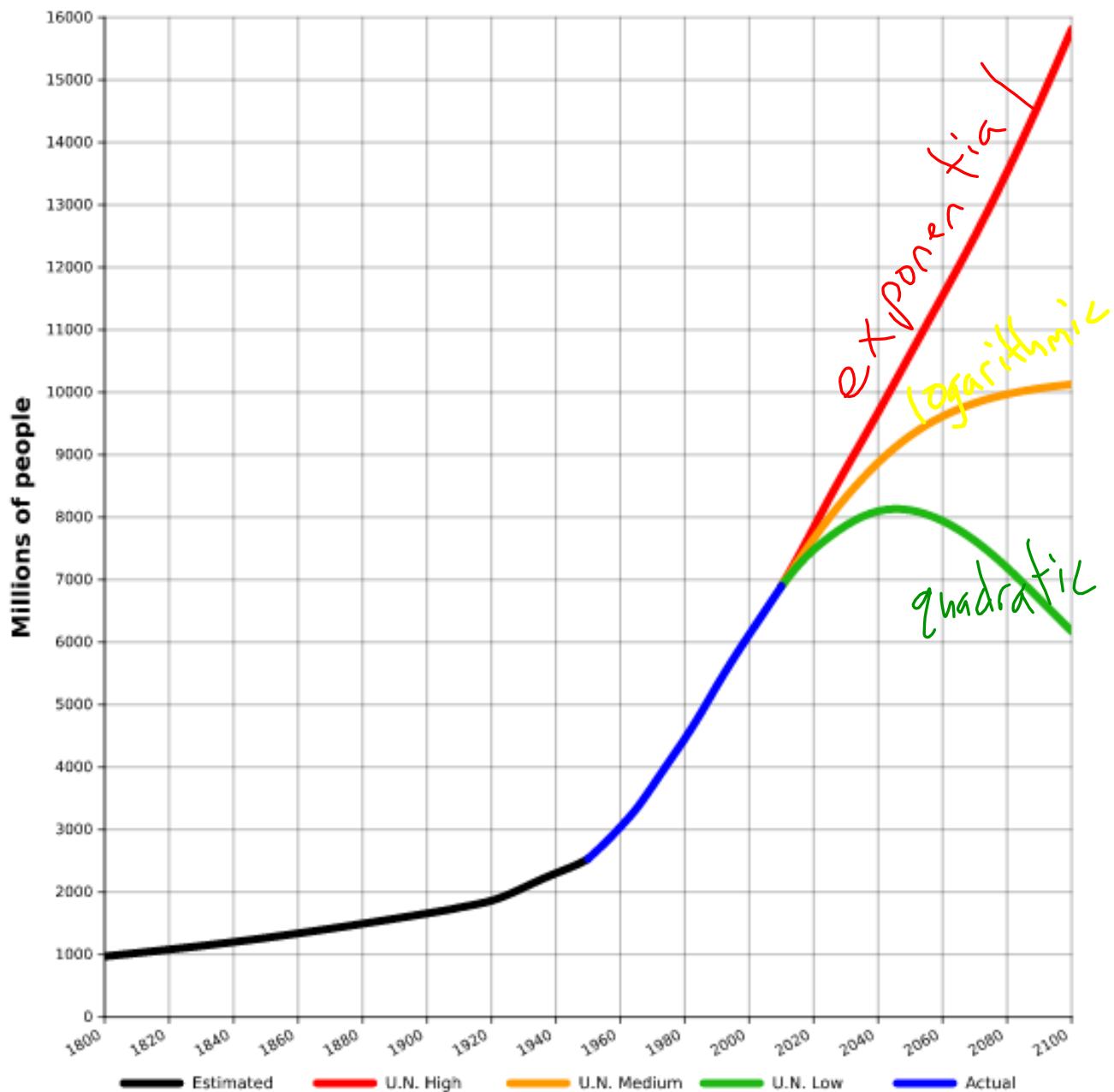
## Zombie Apocalypse

On a whiteboard, draw a rough sketch of what you think the spread of a zombie infection might look like over time.



**Minds On**

# World Population



**Action**

## What's the Inverse?

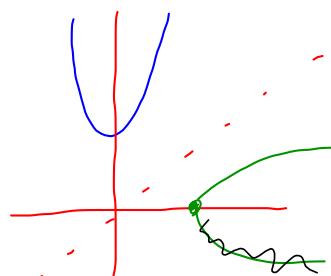
Determine the inverse of each equation, then graph the original function and the inverse.

1.  $y = 3x + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 3y + 1 && \text{switch } x \text{ and } y \\ y &= \frac{x-1}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad y = \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{3} && \text{solve for } y \end{aligned}$$

2.  $y = x^2 + 6$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= y^2 + 6 \\ y &= \sqrt{x-6} \end{aligned}$$



3.  $y = 2^x$

$$x = 2^y$$

## Action

# Properties of Inverse Functions

### The Equations

- Switch  $x$  &  $y$
- Solve for  $y$

### The Graphs

- Reflect the graph across  $y = x$

### The Tables

$(x, y)$  becomes  $(y, x)$   
switch  $x$  and  $y$  values

## Action

# Desmos Investigation

### Desmos Investigation

Graph the function  $f(x) = 2^x$  in Desmos.

Complete the table of values below:

x	y
-2	$\frac{1}{4}$
-1	$\frac{1}{2}$
0	1
1	2
2	4
3	8
4	16

- What is the domain of this function?

$$\{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

- What is the range of this function?

$$\{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y > 0\}$$

Interchange  $x$  and  $y$  in the equation of  $f$  to get the equation of the inverse equation  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

Graph the inverse equation on the same axes.

How do the two graphs compare?

$x=2^y$  is  $y=2^x$  reflected across  $x=y$  /  $y=x$

Create a table of values for this inverse function, using "nice" values. You may need to move around to find nice points.

x	y
1	0
2	1
4	2
8	3
16	4

1. What is the domain of this inverse function?

$$\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x > 0\}$$

2. What is the range of this inverse function?

$$\{y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

3. How do the points of  $f(x)$  seem to relate to those of  $f^{-1}(x)$ ?

$x$  &  $y$  are switched

4. Now graph the function  $g(x) = \log_2 x$ . What do you notice?

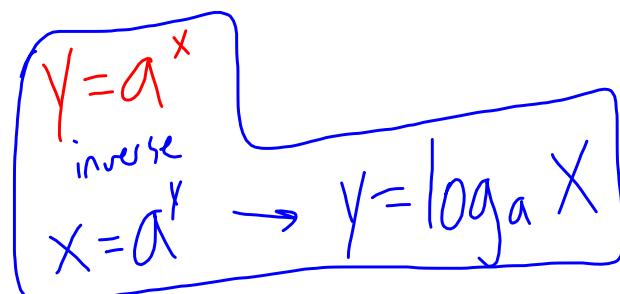
Same as  $x = 2^y$

5. Using each point you found in your last table of values, replace the  $x$  and  $y$  in the statement  $y = \log_2 x$  with the  $x$  and  $y$  values from your points.

$$\begin{array}{lll} 0 = \log_2 1 & 2 = \log_2 4 & 4 = \log_2 16 \\ 1 = \log_2 2 & 3 = \log_2 8 & \end{array}$$

6. Based on what you did in #5, what meaning does the expression  $\log_a x$  have?

$\log_a x$  = the exponent that must be applied to base  $a$  to get the value of  $x$



7. Remove all other graphs. Now graph  $y = a^x$  and  $y = \log_a x$ .

Set a slider for  $a$  between 0 and 10 with a step of 0.1.

Complete the table below to describe the behaviour of  $y = a^x$  and  $y = \log_a x$ .

	$y = a^x$	$y = \log_a x$
$a > 1$	increasing	increasing
$0 < a < 1$	decreasing	decreasing
Domain	$\{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$	$\{x \in \mathbb{R}   x > 0\}$
Range	$\{y \in \mathbb{R}   y > 0\}$	$\{y \in \mathbb{R}\}$
Asymptotes	horizontal: $y=0$	vertical: $x=0$
Intercepts	$y$ -intercept: $y=1$	$x$ -intercept: $x=1$

## Consolidation

### Evaluating Logs

$\log_a x$  is the exponent on base  $a$  to get  $x$

Evaluate each logarithm below:

$$\log_3 9 = 2$$

$$\sqrt[3]{x} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\log_2 32 = 5$$

$$\log_2 1 = 0$$

$$\log_6 \frac{1}{6} = -1$$

$$\log_4 \frac{1}{16} = -2$$

$$\log_{25} 5 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{x} = x^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad | \quad \sqrt[3]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad | \quad \sqrt[n]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{n}} \quad | \quad \sqrt[m]{x} = x^{\frac{m}{n}}$$

$$\log_{16} 2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\log_7 \sqrt{7} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\log_2(-4)$$

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## **Consolidation**

Practice

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