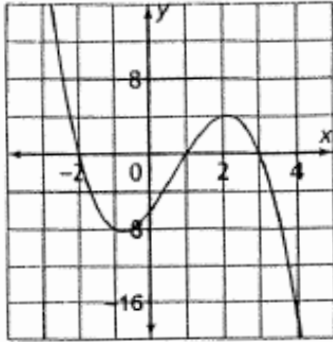


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## 2.8 Solving Polynomial Inequalities Graphically

**Ex. 1.** Use the graphs of the following functions to state when **i)  $f(x) > 0$**  **ii)  $f(x) < 0$**   
 Answer using *algebraic notation*.

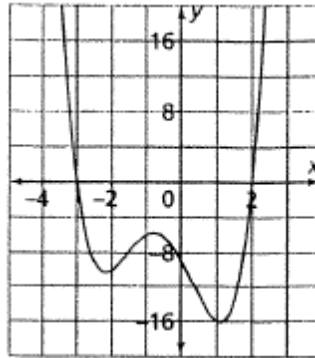
a)



i) \_\_\_\_\_

ii) \_\_\_\_\_

b)

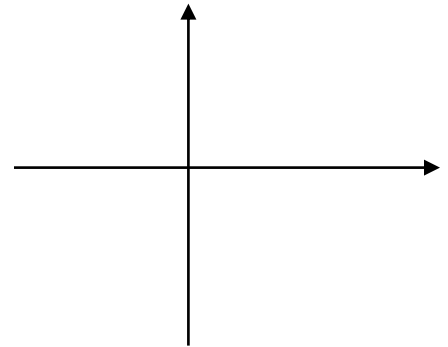


i) \_\_\_\_\_

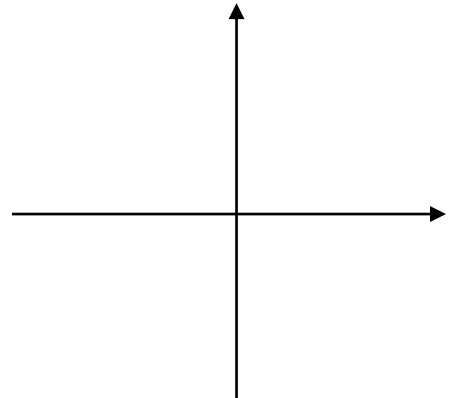
ii) \_\_\_\_\_

**Ex. 2.** Solve each of the following graphically where,  $x \in R$ . Answer using a *solution set*.

a)  $x^2 - 3x - 10 \geq 0$



b)  $x^3 + x^2 - 4x - 4 < 0$



**Ex. 3.** Solve each of the following graphically where,  $x \in R$ . Answer using *interval notation*.

a)  $x^4 - 10x^2 + 9 \leq 0$

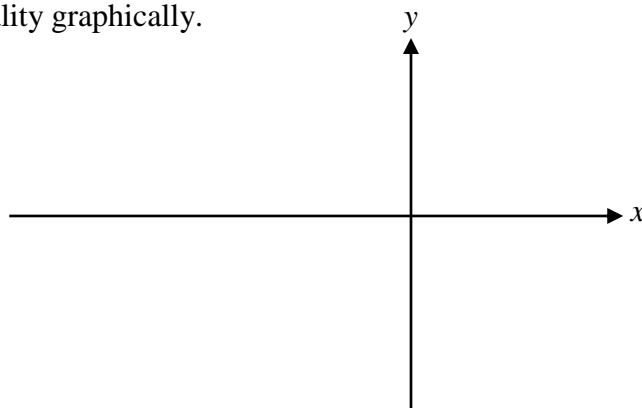
b)  $x^5 - 6x^4 + 8x^3 - 2x^2 - 2 > -4x^3 + 6x^2 - 2$

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## 2.9 Solving Polynomial & Rational Inequalities Using a Number Line Strategy

**Warmup:** Solve the following polynomial inequality graphically.

$$4x^3 + 12x^2 - 3x - 9 \geq 0$$



**Ex. 1.** Solve the following polynomial inequalities using a *number line strategy*. State your final answer using *set notation*.

a)  $(x+1)(x-2)(x+3)^2 \leq 0$

\_\_\_\_\_ x

b)  $2x^3 + 3x^2 > 17x - 12$

\_\_\_\_\_ x

**Ex. 2.** Solve the following *rational inequalities* using a *number line strategy*.  
State your final answer using *interval notation*.

a)  $x - 2 < \frac{8}{x}$

b)  $\frac{x+3}{x+1} \geq \frac{x-2}{x-3}$

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **2.10 Graphing Rational Functions With Horizontal Asymptotes**

A **rational** function is of the form  $f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$  and has:

- i)** a **vertical asymptote** at  $x = a$  if  $q(a) = 0$  and  $p(a) \neq 0$

For the *vertical asymptote*, set the denominator equal to 0 and solve.

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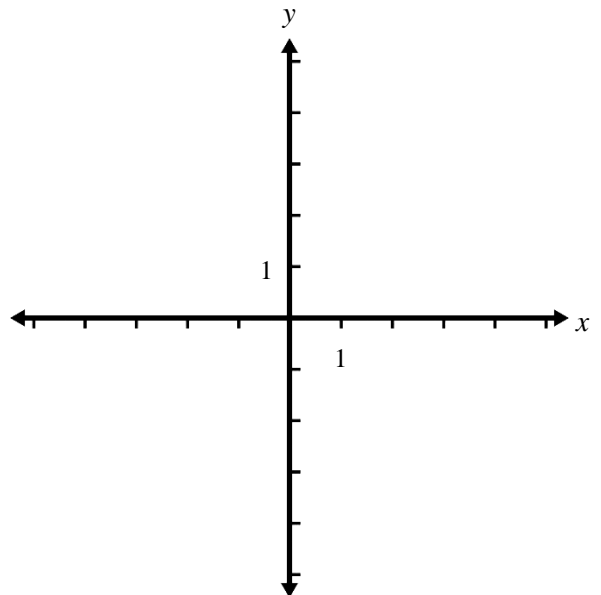
- ii)** a **horizontal asymptote** at  $y = L$  if  $f(x) \rightarrow L$  as  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

and the degree of  $p(x)$  is less than or equal to the degree of  $q(x)$

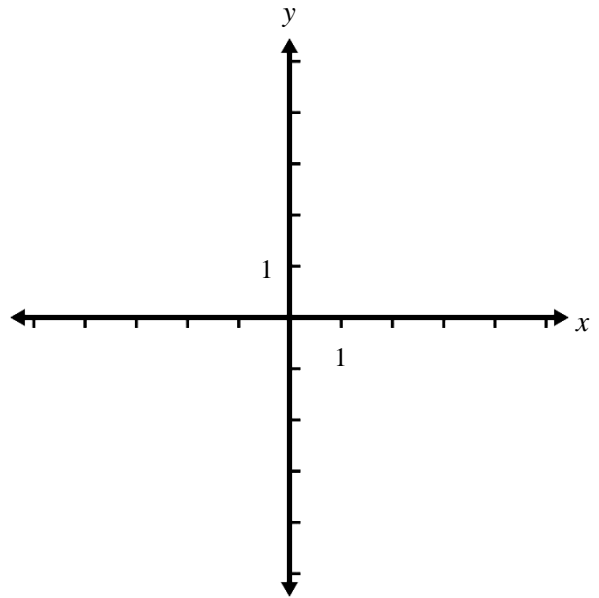
For the *horizontal asymptote*, divide each term in the function's *expanded* numerator and denominator by the highest power of  $x$  in the denominator and then examine end behaviour.

**Ex. 1.** Graph the following rational functions by finding and labeling any intercepts, asymptotes and points where the function crosses the horizontal asymptote. Include a table of values for a more accurate graph if appropriate.

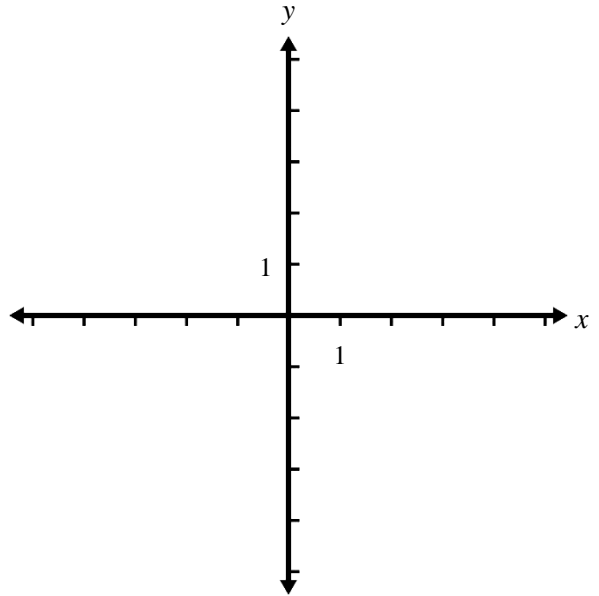
**a)**  $f(x) = \frac{2(x-2)(x-1)}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$



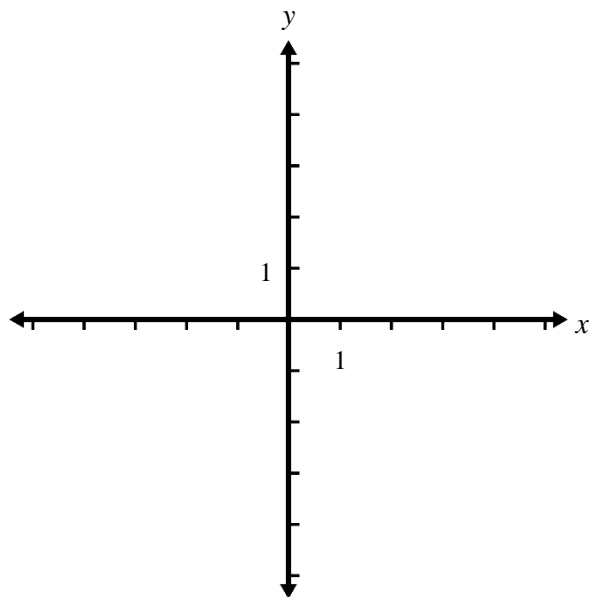
**b)**  $f(x) = \frac{4}{x^2 + 2}$



**c)**  $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x-1}$



**d)**  $f(x) = \frac{1}{4-x^2}$



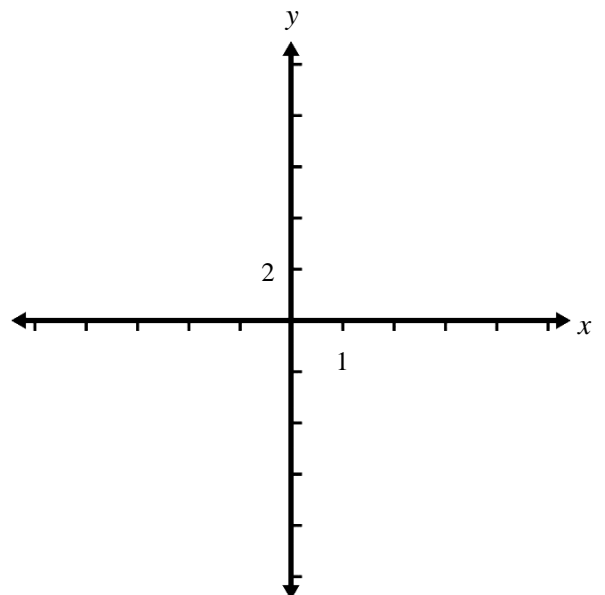
Date: \_\_\_\_\_ **2.11 Graphing Rational Functions With Oblique Asymptotes**

A **rational** function of the form  $f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$  has:

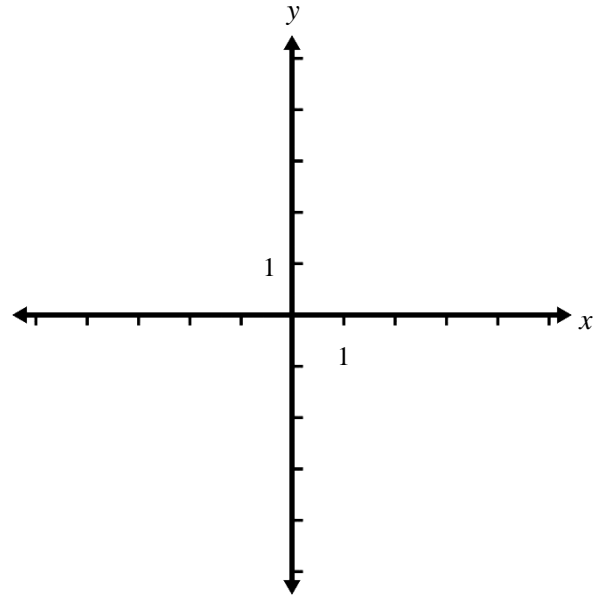
- i) a **vertical asymptote** at  $x = a$  if  $q(a) = 0$  and  $p(a) \neq 0$   
For the *vertical asymptote*, set the denominator equal to 0 and solve.  
&
- ii) a **linear oblique asymptote** at  $y = mx + b$  if  $f(x) \rightarrow mx + b$  as  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$   
and the degree of  $p(x)$  is exactly one more than the degree of  $q(x)$   
For the *linear oblique asymptote*, rewrite the function in mixed rational form using long division and then examine end behaviour.

**Ex. 1.** Graph the following rational function by finding and labeling any intercepts, asymptotes and points where the function crosses the linear oblique asymptote. Include a table of values for a more accurate graph if appropriate.

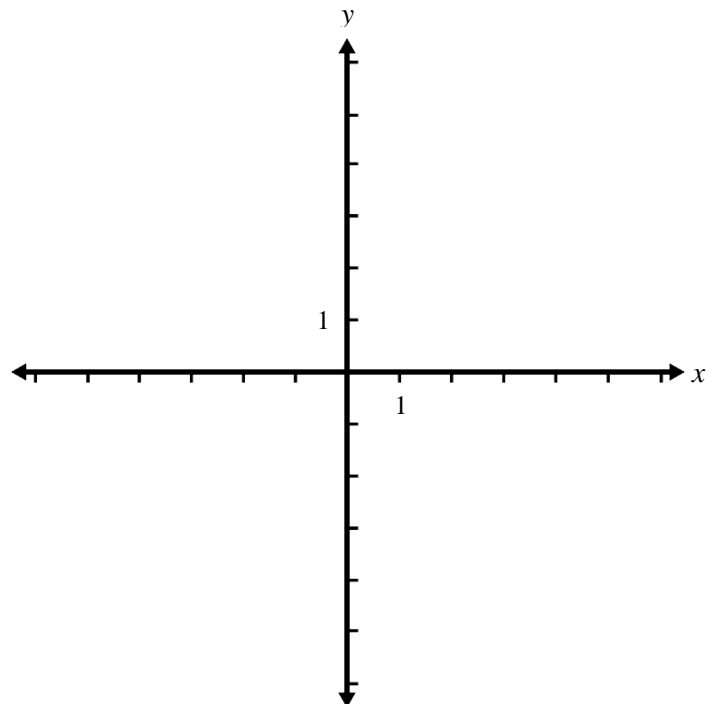
a)  $f(x) = \frac{9 - x^2}{x + 1}$



c)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x}$



d)  $f(x) = \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 4}$



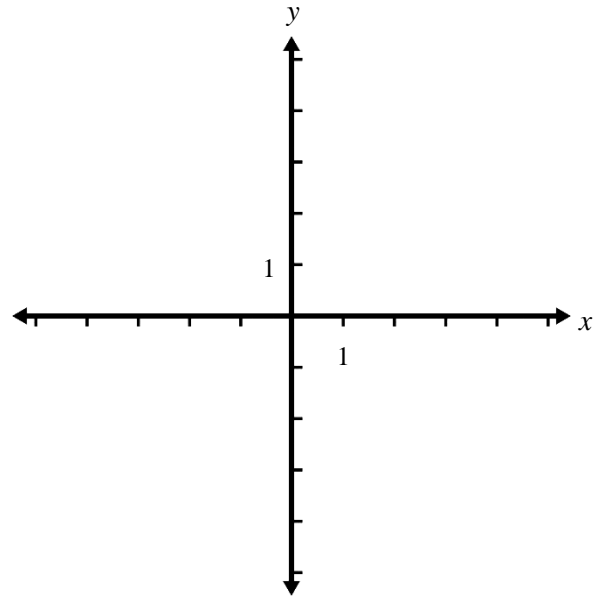


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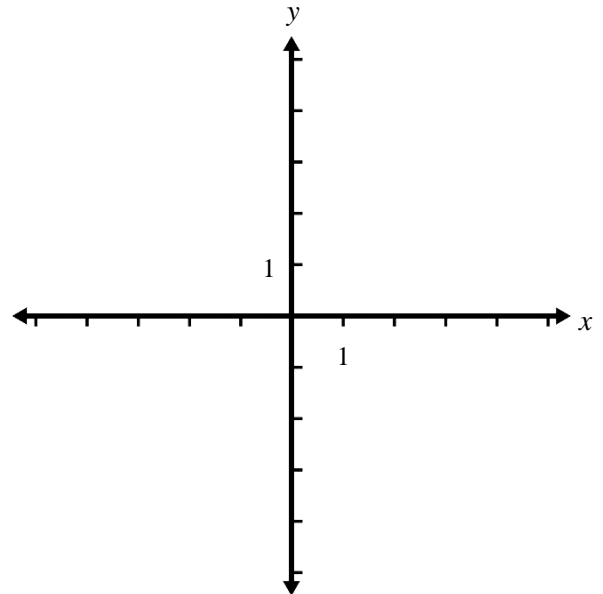
**2.12 Graphing Rational Functions Continued**

1. Graph the following rational functions by finding and labeling any asymptotes and intercepts. Include a table of values for a more accurate graph.

a)  $f(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x+1}$



b)  $g(x) = \frac{6}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$



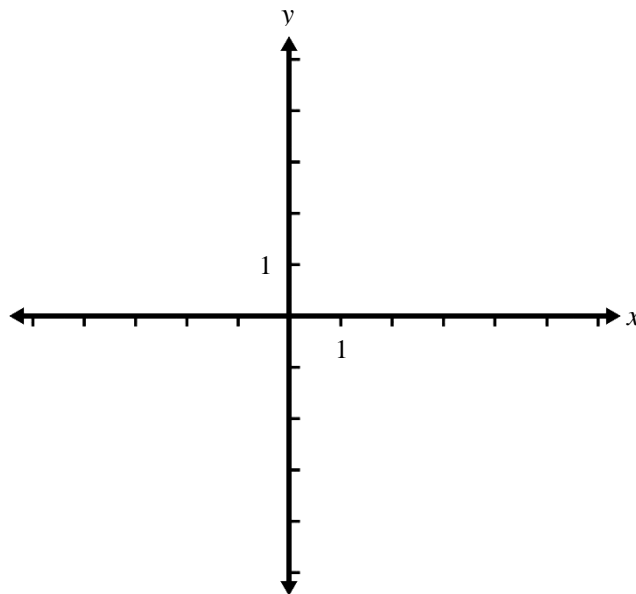
2. Using the graphs from the previous question, solve the following inequalities:

a)  $f(x) > 0$

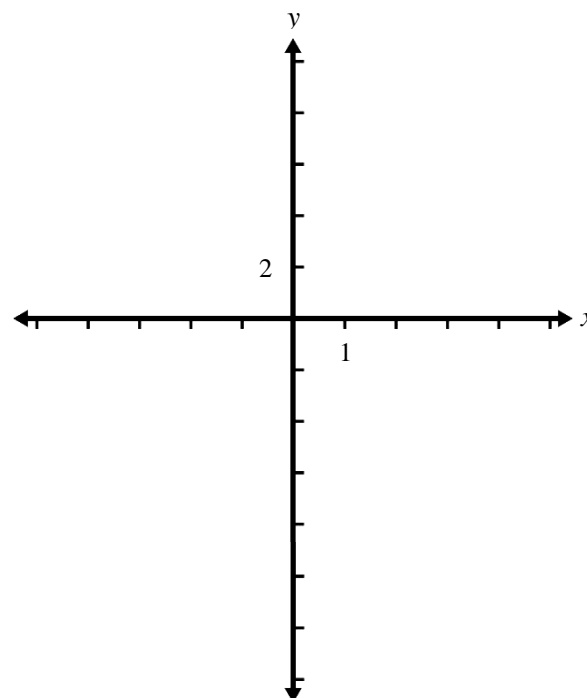
b)  $g(x) < 0$

3. Graph the following rational functions by finding and labeling any asymptotes and intercepts. Include a table of values for a more accurate graph.

a)  $f(x) = \frac{3x-6}{x^2-2x-8}$



b)  $g(x) = \frac{6x^2 - 5x + 1}{2x + 1}$



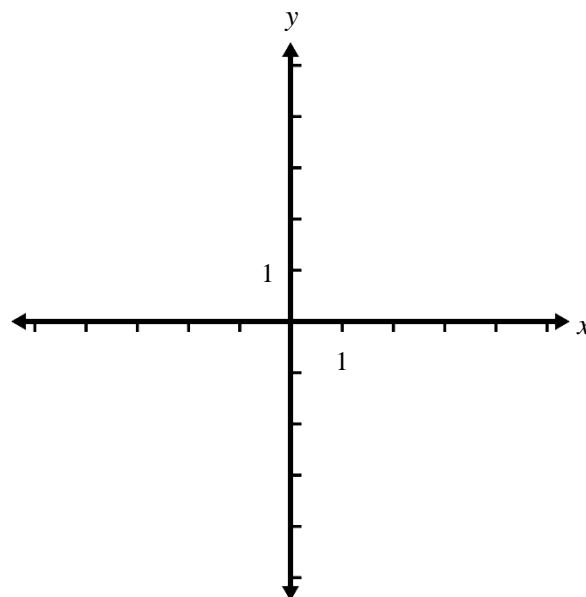
4. Using the graphs from the previous question, solve the following inequalities: Answer using a solution set.

a)  $f(x) \geq 0$

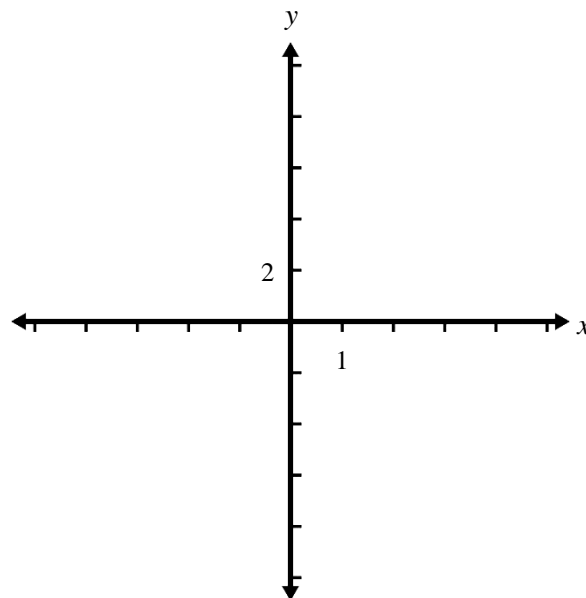
b)  $g(x) \leq 0$

5. Graph the following rational functions by finding and labeling any asymptotes and intercepts. Include a table of values for a more accurate graph.

a)  $f(x) = \frac{2+x-x^2}{(x-1)^2}$



b)  $g(x) = \frac{x^3+8}{x}$  \*\*\*this graph has a *quadratic* oblique asymptote



6. Using the graphs from the previous question, solve the following inequalities:  
Answer using interval notation.

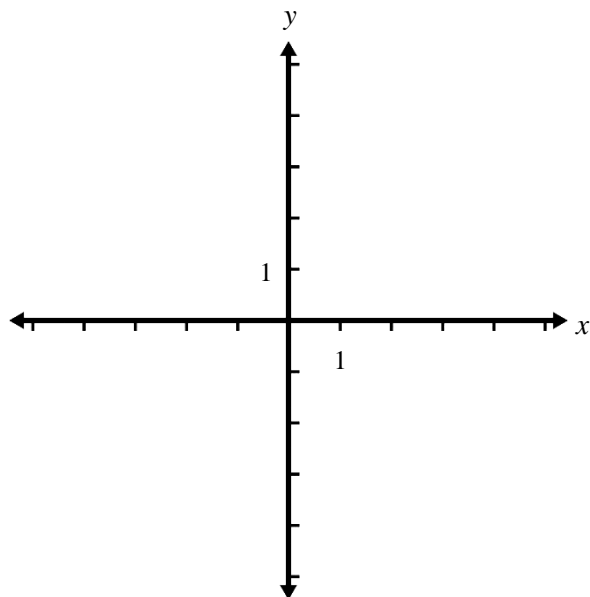
a)  $f(x) \geq 0$

b)  $g(x) \leq 0$

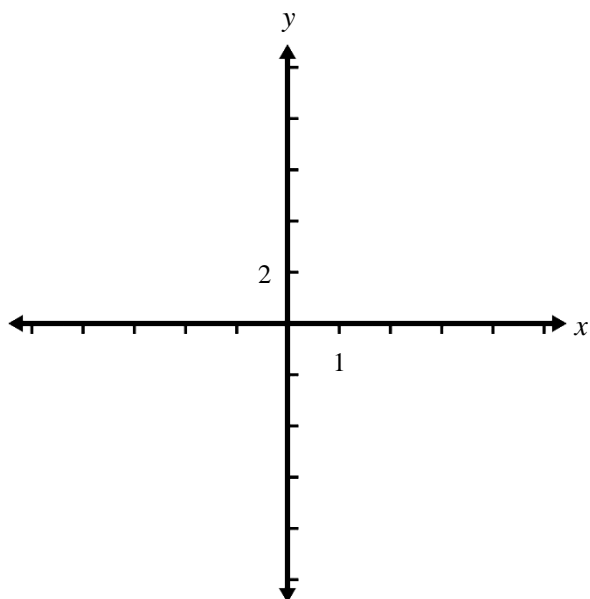
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**2.13 Solving Rational Inequalities Graphically****Ex. 1.** Solve the following rational inequalities graphically. State your final answer in a solution set.

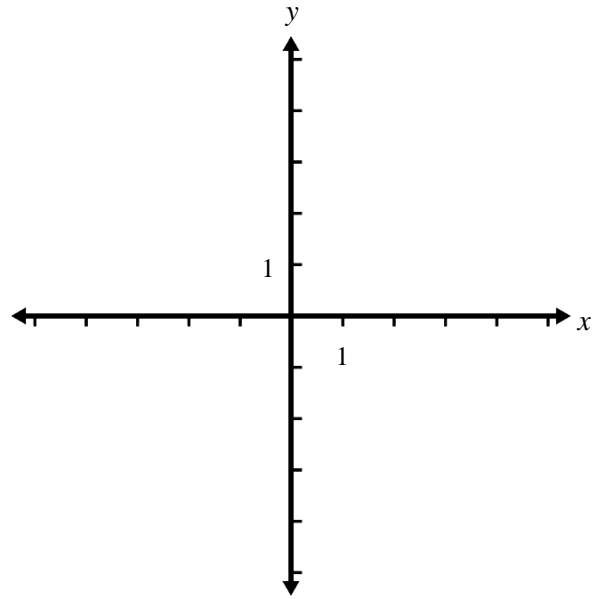
**a)** 
$$\frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x - 1} \geq 0$$



**b)** 
$$\frac{x+1}{x-2} < \frac{x+7}{x+1}$$



c)  $-\frac{1}{(2-x)^2} \leq -1$



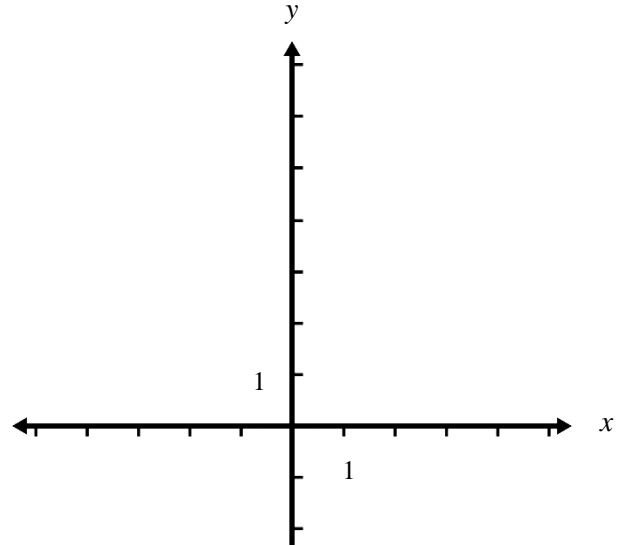
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**2.14 Graphing and Analyzing Polynomial & Rational Functions**  
**With Removable and or Infinite Discontinuities****Examples**

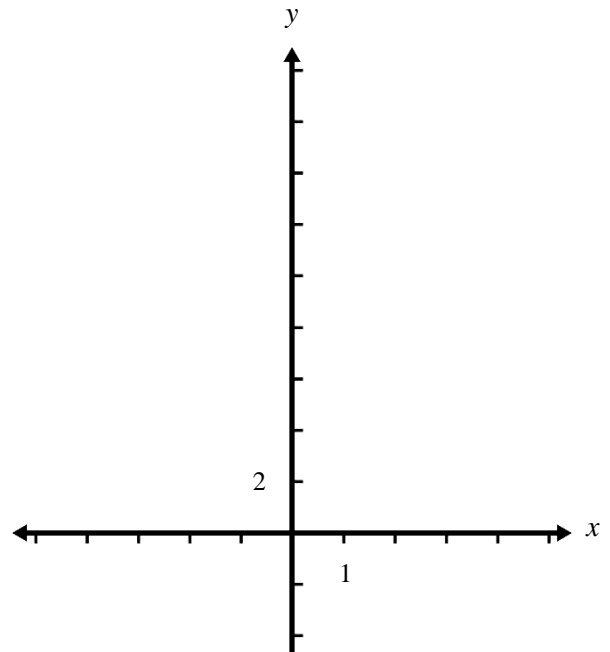
For each function given below complete the following.

- a) Simplify.                      b) State all values of  $x$  for which the function is discontinuous.  
c) Graph.                         d) Examine how the function behaves near these discontinuities and at the ends of the graph.

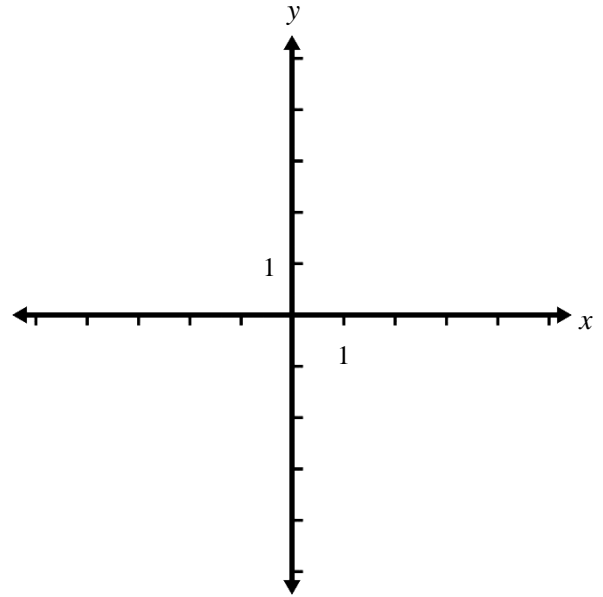
1.  $f(x) = \frac{9-x^2}{x+3}$



2.  $f(x) = \frac{x^3-8}{x-2}$



3.  $g(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 6}$



**HW. Exercise 2.14**

**HW. for Unit 2 Part II Test: Unit 2 Review of 2.8-2.14**