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### Algebra 2: Exponential word problems and Logarithms 2015

- 1) How many hours will it take a culture of bacteria to increase from 20 to 2000 if the growth rate per hour is 85%?
- 2) A radioactive substance has a half-life of 32 years. Find the constant  $k$  in the half-life decay formula. How long will it take a 100-gram sample to decay to 10-grams?
- 3) A home in Cathedral City was valued at 175,000 in 2000 and is now valued at 280,000 in 2015. Find the rate per year of appreciation.
- 4) You deposit \$500 into an account earning 5% compounded daily. How much will be in the account after 5 years?
- 5) A city had 42,000 residents in 1980 and 128,000 residents in 2015. Use the continuous growth equation and determine what the population should be in 2020. Let  $t = 0$  correspond to 1980
- 6) Use the formula  $pH = -\log[H^+]$  to find the  $pH$  of each substance given its concentration of hydrogen ions.
  - a) Tomato juice:  $[H^+] = 7.94 \times 10^{-5}$  mole per liter
  - b) Toothpaste:  $[H^+] = 1.26 \times 10^{-10}$  mole per liter