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	Time frame	1 period

Objectives :

- See the various ways to represent a function.
- Answer questions using the various representations.

Materials :

- *Formulae, table of values, graphs and variations tables for five functions.*
- *Questions about each function.*

1 – Matching game

15 mins

Students are handed out a formula, a table of values, a graph or variations table and have to find the ones related to the same function.

2 – Questions

40 mins

Working in teams, students answer a series of questions about their function.

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Answer the following questions about the function f . In each case, tell what representation of the function you're using to answer the question : formula, table of value, graph or table of variations. Numerical answers may be approximate values.

1. Give the images under f of the numbers -4 , -1 and 2 , if they exist. Answer with complete sentences.
2. Give the preimages under f of the numbers -1 , 0 and 1 , if they exist.
3. For what values of x is it possible to compute $f(x)$?
4. For what values of x is $f(x)$ positive ? For what values is it negative ?
5. For what values of x is f increasing ? For what values is it decreasing ?
6. Does the function f admit any maxima and/or minima over the interval $[-4; 4]$?
If so, what are their values and for what values of x do we find them.
7. For what values of x is f such that $f(x) \geq 2$?
8. For what values of x is f such that $f(x) \leq x$?
9. What is the tendency of $f(x)$ when x approaches $+\infty$ (which means becomes greater and greater) ?

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$$f(x) = x^2 - x - 5$$

$$f(x) = \frac{01}{x-2}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^3 - x$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$$

$$f(x) = |2x - 2|$$

x	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$f(x)$	15	7	1	-3	-5	-5	-3	1	7

x	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$f(x)$	$-\frac{1}{6}$	$-\frac{1}{5}$	$-\frac{1}{4}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1		1	$\frac{1}{2}$

x	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$f(x)$	-12	$-\frac{15}{4}$	0	$\frac{3}{4}$	0	$-\frac{3}{4}$	0	$\frac{15}{4}$	12

x	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$f(x)$		0	1	$\sqrt{2}$	$\sqrt{3}$	2	$\sqrt{5}$	$\sqrt{6}$	$\sqrt{7}$

x	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$f(x)$	10	8	6	4	2	0	2	4	6





