## 4.6 Practice B

In Exercises 1–3, solve y = f(x) for x. Then find the input(s) when the output is -3.

**1.** 
$$f(x) = -\frac{4}{3}x + 2$$
 **2.**  $f(x) = 25x^4$  **3.**  $f(x) = (x - 3)^2 - 4$ 

In Exercises 4–6, find the inverse of the function. Then graph the function and its inverse.

- **4.** f(x) = -3x + 4 **5.**  $f(x) = -\frac{1}{3}x + 1$  **6.**  $f(x) = \frac{2}{5}x - \frac{1}{5}$
- 7. Describe and correct the error in finding the inverse function.

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
& f(x) = 3x - 8 \\
& y = 3x - 8 \\
& x = 3y - 8 \\
& g(x) = 3x - 8
\end{array}$$

In Exercises 8–10, find the inverse function. Then graph the function and its inverse.

- **8.**  $f(x) = -9x^2, x \le 0$  **9.**  $f(x) = (x 1)^3$  **10.**  $f(x) = x^6, x \le 0$
- 11. Find the inverse of the function  $f(x) = 8x^3$  by switching the roles of x and y and solving for y. Then find the inverse of the function f by using inverse operations in the reverse order. Which method do you prefer? Explain.

## In Exercises 12–15, determine whether the functions are inverse functions.

- **12.** f(x) = 6x + 1; g(x) = 6x 1 **13.**  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x-6}}{2}; g(x) = 8x^3 + 6$  **14.**  $f(x) = \frac{5-x}{2}; g(x) = 5 - 2x$ **15.**  $f(x) = 4x^2 + 3; g(x) = -\frac{x-3}{4}$
- **16.** The volume of a sphere is given by  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ , where r is the radius.
  - a. Find the inverse function. Describe what it represents.
  - **b.** Find the radius of a sphere with a volume of 146 cubic meters.