Activity from the Textbook: Techniques of Solving

Homework/Formative Assessment

CHECK Your Understanding

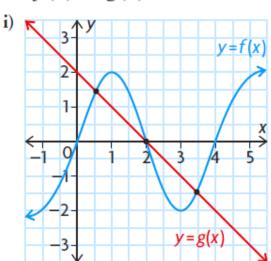
 For each graph shown below, state the solution to each of the following:

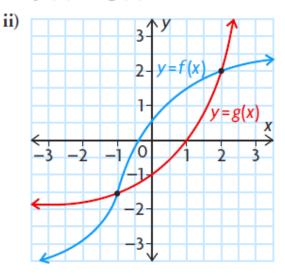
a)
$$f(x) = g(x)$$

c)
$$f(x) \le g(x)$$

b)
$$f(x) > g(x)$$

d)
$$f(x) \ge g(x)$$





2. Use a guess and improvement strategy to determine the best onedecimal-place approximation to the solution of each equation in the interval provided.

a)
$$3 = 2^{2x}$$
, when $x \in [0, 2]$

b)
$$0 = \sin(0.25x^2)$$
, when $x \in [0, 5]$

c)
$$3x = 0.5x^3$$
, when $x \in [-8, -1]$

d)
$$\cos x = x$$
, when $x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

ANSWERS

- **1.** a) i) $x = \frac{1}{2}$, 2, or $\frac{7}{2}$
 - ii) x = -1 or 2
 - **b**) i) $\frac{1}{2} < x < 2 \text{ or } x > \frac{7}{2}$
 - ii) -1 < x < 2
 - c) i) $x \le \frac{1}{2}$; $2 \le x \le \frac{7}{2}$
 - ii) $x \le -1$ or $x \ge 2$
 - **d**) **i**) $\frac{1}{2} \le x \le 2 \text{ or } x \ge \frac{7}{2}$
 - ii) $-1 \le x \le 2$
- **2.** a) $x \doteq 0.8$
 - b) x = 0 and 3.5
 - c) x = -2.4
 - **d**) x = 0.7