## High School Algebra Playlist: Graphing Rational Functions

Aligns with CCSS.Math.Content.HSF.IF.C.7.d: Graph rational functions, identifying zeros and asymptotes when suitable factorizations are available, and showing end behavior.

## Related Standards

- CCSS.Math.Content.HSF.IF.A.1: Understand that a function from one set (called the domain) to another set (called the range) assigns to each element of the domain exactly one element of the range. If $f$ is a function and $x$ is an element of its domain, then $f(x)$ denotes the output of $f$ corresponding to the input $x$. The graph of $f$ is the graph of the equation $y=f(x)$.
- CCSS.Math.Content.HSF.IF.C.7: Graph functions expressed symbolically and show key features of the graph, by hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases
- CCSS.Math.Content.HSF.IF.C.7.c: Graph polynomial functions, identifying zeros when suitable factorizations are available, and showing end behavior.



## Objectives

In this module, you will learn and practice the following skills:

- graph rational functions
- identify the zeros and asymptotes of rational functions


## Let's get started!

## Key Terms

- A rational function is a function that is the ratio of two polynomials.
- An asymptote is a line that a graph gets closer and closer to but never reaches.


## Connections

- https://openstaxcollege.org/textbooks/algebra-and-trigonometry; section 1.4
- https://openstaxcollege.org/textbooks/algebra-and-trigonometry; section 5.6


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If your students...
Confuse a hole with an asymptote:
Students often examine a rational function and then say that the function has a hole where it has an asymptote, or vice versa.

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