

## 2-3 EXAMPLES

1. Evaluate each limit below. Show your work or explain your reasoning.

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 8} (1 + \sqrt[3]{x})(2 - x^2)$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{x^2 - x - 12}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x^2}{x^2 - x - 12}$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{x}}{x + 3}$

(e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x}$

(f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{3x - 15}{|5 - x|}$

(g)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{2x}{\tan^2 x}$

2. Give an example of a polynomial:

3. Give an example of a rational function:

4. Give an example of a function that is not a rational function:

5. Is it fair to assume  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ ? Why or why not?

6. What if you assume  $f(x)$  is a *rational function*?

7. What if you assume  $f(x)$  is a *polynomial*?