# Unit 2 Lesson 18: Graphs of Rational Functions (Part 2)

# 1 Rewritten Equations (Warm up)

#### Student Task Statement

Decide if each of these equations is true or false for x values that do not result in a denominator of 0. Be prepared to explain your reasoning.

1. 
$$\frac{x+7}{x} = 1 + \frac{7}{x}$$
  
2.  $\frac{x}{x+7} = 1 + \frac{x}{7}$ 

### 2 Publishing a Paperback

#### **Student Task Statement**

Let *c* be the function that gives the average cost per book c(x), in dollars, when using an online store to print *x* copies of a self-published paperback book. Here is a graph of  $c(x) = \frac{120+4x}{x}$ .



- 1. What is the approximate cost per book when 50 books are printed? 100 books?
- 2. The author plans to charge \$8 per book. About how many should be printed to make a profit?
- 3. What is the value of c(x) when  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ ? How does this relate to the context?
- 4. What does the end behavior of the function say about the context?

# **3 Horizontal Asymptotes**

#### Student Task Statement

Here are four graphs of rational functions.



- 1. Match each function with its graphical representation. a.  $a(x) = \frac{4}{x} - 1$ 
  - a.  $a(x) = \frac{4}{x} 1$ b.  $b(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 4$ c.  $c(x) = \frac{1+4x}{x}$

d. 
$$d(x) = \frac{x+4}{x}$$
  
e.  $e(x) = \frac{1-4x}{x}$   
f.  $f(x) = \frac{4-x}{x}$   
g.  $g(x) = 1 + \frac{4}{x}$   
h.  $h(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 4$ 

2. Where do you see the **horizontal asymptote** of the graph in the expressions for the functions?