Read each problem **very carefully** before starting to solve it. Each problem is worth 5 points. It is necessary to show **all** your work. Correct answers without explanations are worth 0 points. GOOD LUCK!!

1. Find an equation for the line  $L_2$  that passes through the point (2,7) and is parallel to the line  $L_1$  passing through the points (-1,0) and (2,-6). Please, put your final answer in the slope-intercept form.

2. Use the rules of exponents to simplify the following expressions:

(a) 
$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{8y^3}{x^6}}$$

(b) 
$$\frac{(9xy^3z)^2}{3(xyz)^2}$$