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

1. [3 points] In a habitat, the population of a certain species grew from 54 in 2010 to 250 in 2013. Assuming an exponential increase, create a model for the population  $P(t)$  as a function of time  $t$ .

2. [3 points] Outline the transformations that take place in producing  $g(x) = 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{x-2} - 5$ , starting from  $f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$ .

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3. [3 points] Find the domain of  $f(x) = \log_5(1 - 3x)$  and write your answer in interval notation.
4. [3 points] Solve the equation  $5^{2x+1} = 12$ . Please, give the exact value of the solution; not a decimal approximation.