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Find the derivative of the following (using the special rules/techniques).

78. $f(x) = 4x^{-5} + 2x^{-3} + 9x^{-1} + 5$

79. $f(x) = \frac{1}{(3x+1)^2}$

80. $f(x) = \frac{6}{x^2}$

81. $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x}}$

Answers

78. $-20x^{-6} - 6x^{-4} - 9x^{-2}$

79. $-\frac{6}{(3x+1)^3}$

80. $-\frac{12}{x^3}$

81. $\frac{x-1}{2x\sqrt{x}}$

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82. $f(x) = (x^3 - 2x)(3x^2)$

83. $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 + 4x + 4}$

84. $f(x) = (3x^2 - 4x + 1)^2$

85. $f(x) = \frac{3x(x^2 - 2x - 15)}{x^2 - 9}$

86. $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{(3x)^7}$

Use the difference quotient, $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$, to find the derivative.

87. $f(x) = 5 - 6x$

88. $f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 5$

89. $f(x) = 3x^2 + 4x - 6$

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82. $15x^4 - 18x^2$

83. $\frac{4}{(x+2)^2}$

87. -6

84. $(12x-8)(3x^2-4x+1)$

88. $2x-3$

85. $\frac{3(x^2-6x+15)}{(x-3)^2}$

89. $6x+4$

86. $7(3x)^{\frac{4}{3}}$