

1) Let  $f(x) = x + 2$ ,  $g(x) = x^2$ , and  $h(x) = 3x$ . Find and simplify  $f(g(h(x)))$

$$f(g(h(x))) = f(g(3x)) = f((3x)^2) = f(9x^2) = 9x^2 + 2$$

2) Provide justification that the relation  $R$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$  defined by  $xRy$  if and only if  $2|(x - y)$  is reflexive. You can provide this justification with either a mathematical proof or a clear explanation.

Reflexive is asking us whether or not a number  $n$  is related to itself. To check this let's plug in  $n$  for both  $x$  and  $y$  and see what happens:

$$x - y = n - n = 0$$

It looks like indeed,  $R$  is reflexive because  $2|0$  which is  $2|(n - n)$ .