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Given the function $f(x) = e^{\sqrt{x}}$

- a) (4 points.) Find the function g which is the inverse of $f(x)$

$$\begin{array}{l} f(x) = y = e^{\sqrt{x}} \\ \text{Switch } x \text{ and } y \\ \text{and solve} \\ \text{for } y \\ x = e^{\sqrt{y}} \\ \ln(x) = \ln(e^{\sqrt{y}}) \\ \ln(x) = \sqrt{y} \ln e \\ \ln(x) = \sqrt{y} \\ y = (\ln(x))^2 = g(x) \end{array}$$

- b) (1 point.) Find the number a which solves the equation $f(a) = 2$. (Please, no decimal points!)

$$\begin{array}{l} f(a) = 2 \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(f(a)) = f^{-1}(2) \\ a = f^{-1}(2) \\ a = g(2) = (\ln 2)^2 = 4 \end{array}$$

- c) (1 point.) Find the number b which solves the equation $g(b) = 0$. (Please, no decimal points!)

$$\begin{array}{l} g(b) = 0 \\ b = g^{-1}(0) = f(0) = e^{\sqrt{0}} = e^0 = 1 = b \end{array}$$

- d) (2 points.) Compute $g'(2)$ directly from the derivative of g . (Please, no decimal points!)

$$g'(x) = 2 \cdot \ln(x) \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

$$g'(2) = 2 \cdot \ln 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$g'(2) = \ln(2)$$

- e) (2 points.) Find $f'(a)$ where a is the solution of $f(a) = 2$ from part b. [HINT: It is probably easier for you to use your answer to part (d) than differentiating $f(x)$ and evaluating at a .]

$$f'(a) = \frac{1}{g'(f(a))} = \frac{1}{g'(2)} = \frac{1}{\ln 2}$$

$$f(x) = e^{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$f'(x) = e^{\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$f'(\ln 2) = e^{\sqrt{(\ln 2)^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{(\ln 2)^2}}$$