

$$5. f(x) = x^3 - 7x + 2 \quad g(x) = x - 3$$

$$a) f \circ g = f(g)$$

$$= (g)^3 - 7(g) + 2$$

BUT $g = x - 3$ so

$$= (x-3)^3 - 7(x-3) + 2$$

$$= (x-3)(x-3) - 7x + 21 + 2$$

$$= x^3 - 3x^2 - 3x + 9 - 7x + 23$$

$$= \boxed{x^3 - 13x + 32}$$

$$b) g \circ f = g(f)$$

$$= (\underline{f}) - 3$$

BUT $f = x^3 - 7x + 2$ so

$$= (x^3 - 7x + 2) - 3$$

$$= \boxed{x^3 - 7x - 1}$$

$$c) (f \circ g)(2)$$

$$= (2)^3 - 13(2) + 32$$

$$= 8 - 26 + 32$$

$$= -18 + 32$$

$$= \boxed{10}$$

$$6. f(x) = 9x + 3 \quad g(x) = 4x - 8$$

$$a) f \circ g = f(g) \quad b) g \circ f = g(f) \quad c) (f \circ g)(2)$$

$$= 9(\underline{g}) + 3$$

BUT $g = 4x - 8$ so

$$= 9(4x - 8) + 3$$

$$= 36x - 72 + 3$$

$$= \boxed{36x - 69}$$

$$= 4(\underline{f}) - 8$$

BUT $f = 9x + 3$ so

$$= 4(9x + 3) - 8$$

$$= 36x + 12 - 8$$

$$= \boxed{36x + 4}$$

$$= 36(2) - 69$$

$$= 72 - 69$$

$$= \boxed{3}$$