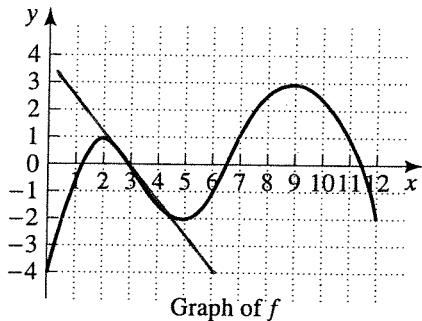


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- (a)  $f'(x) > 0$  when  $x$  is between 0 and 2 (function is increasing)  
when  $x$  is between 5 and 9
- (b)  $f'(x) < 0$  when  $x$  is between 2 and 5 (function is decreasing)  
when  $x$  is between 9 and 12
- (c)  $f'(x) = 0$  when  $x = 2$  or  $x = 5$  or  $x = 9$  (tangent is horizontal)
- (d) I have sketched the tangent to the curve at the point where  $x = 3$ . The slope of that tangent line is negative; so  $f'(3)$  is probably closest to  $-1.5$ .