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**Directions:** Show all work. No credit for answers without work.

1. [3 points] The population of a town decreases exponentially with a discrete annual rate of 1.7%. Find the half-life of the population.

2. [4 parts, 1 point each] Solve the following equations for t exactly. Decimal approximations are worth partial credit.

(a)  $5 \cdot 3^{t} = 12$ (b)  $5 \cdot t^{3} = 12$ (c)  $4 \ln(3t+2) = 7$ (d)  $8 \cdot 2^{t} = 5e^{6t}$ 

- 3. [3 points] A publishing company offers you two payment options for your book. Plan A calls for an immediate payment of \$85,000 and a payment of \$10,000 in 2 years, when the book will be complete. Plan B calls for three equal payments of \$30,000: one immediately, one after 1 year, and a final payment after 2 years. Assume that money earns interest at a continuous annual rate of 6%.
  - (a) Find the future value of Plan A and Plan B.

(b) Find the present value of Plan A and Plan B.

(c) Which plan should you take?