Chapter 3

Performance Assessment REVIEW NO GRAPHING CALCULATOR

Consider the function
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{9}{4}x^2 - x + 3$$

- 1. Rewrite f(x) as the product of a rational number and a polynomial with integer coefficients.
- 2. List the possible rational zeros of f(x).
- 3. Factor *f*(*x*). Use synthetic division, if necessary.
- 4. Identify the x-intercepts, the y-intercept, points between the zeros, and end behavior.
- 5. Use the information from Problem 4 to sketch the function.

