

Composition Functions

$$f(x) = 3x + 2 ; g(x) = -x - 5 ; h(x) = 2x + 4$$

$$\textcircled{1} f(2) = 3(2) + 2 = 6 + 2 = \boxed{8}$$

$$\textcircled{2} g(h(-1)) =$$
$$h(-1) = 2(-1) + 4 = -2 + 4 = 2$$

$$g(2) = -(2) - 5 = -2 - 5 = \boxed{-7}$$

$$\textcircled{3} h(g(f(3))) =$$

$$f(3) = 3(3) + 2 = 9 + 2 = 11$$

$$g(11) = -(11) - 5 = -16$$

$$h(-16) = 2(-16) + 4 = -32 + 4 = \boxed{-28}$$

$$\textcircled{4} h(f(x)) =$$

$$h(3x + 2) = 2(3x + 2) + 4$$

$$= 6x + 4 + 4$$

$$= \boxed{6x + 8}$$

$$\textcircled{5} h(g(f(x))) =$$

$$g(3x + 2) = -(3x + 2) - 5 = -3x - 2 - 5 = -3x - 7$$

$$h(-3x - 7) = 2(-3x - 7) + 4 = -6x - 14 + 4$$

$$= \boxed{-6x - 10}$$

$$\textcircled{6} f(g(h(x))) = -43 \quad \text{Find } x.$$

$$g(2x + 4) = -(2x + 4) - 5 = -2x - 4 - 5 = -2x - 9$$

$$f(-2x - 9) = 3(-2x - 9) + 2 = -6x - 27 + 2$$

$$= -6x - 25$$

$$\rightarrow -6x - 25 = 43$$

$$\frac{-6x}{-6} = \frac{-18}{-6}$$

$$\boxed{x = 3}$$

$$\boxed{(3, -43)}$$