

**Group Work Tip #2.** Encourage everybody in the group to participate in the discussion and listen to what the others are saying.

**Exercise 13.3.** Prove:

**Rolle's Theorem.** Suppose that  $f$  is a function that is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , such that  $f(a) = f(b) = 0$ . Then there is a point  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f'(c) = 0$ .

Assume next that  $f(a) \neq f(b)$ . What would be the equivalent of Rolle's Theorem in this case?

**Exercise 13.4.** Prove:

**Mean Value Theorem.** Suppose that  $f$  is a function that is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ . Then there is a point  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

**Exercise 13.5.** Let  $f$  be a differentiable function on  $[a, b]$ .

- (a) If  $f'(x) > 0$ , for all  $x \in (a, b)$ , then  $f$  is strictly increasing.
- (b) If  $f'(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in (a, b)$ , then  $f$  is constant.

**Exercise 13.6.** Let  $f$  be a differentiable function on  $[a, b]$ , with  $f'(a) < 0 < f'(b)$ .

- (a) Show that there are points  $c$  and  $d$ , with  $a < c < d < b$ , such that  $f(c) < f(a)$  and  $f(d) < f(b)$ .
- (b) Show that the minimum of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  occurs at an interior point.
- (c) Conclude that  $f'$  takes closed intervals onto closed intervals. This is known as the **property of Darboux**. Note that  $f'$  is *not* assumed to be continuous but simply to exist everywhere on  $[a, b]$ .

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**Exercise 13.7. (Fun Problem.)** Let  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be two continuous functions, differentiable on  $(a, b)$ . Assume that  $g$  and  $g'$  are nowhere zero on  $(a, b)$  and that  $f(a)/g(a) = f(b)/g(b)$ . Prove that there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$\frac{f(c)}{g(c)} = \frac{f'(c)}{g'(c)}.$$