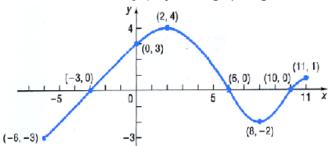
Graphical Limits

Let f(x) be a function defined on the interval [-6,11] whose graph is given as:



The limits are defined as the value that the function approaches as it goes to an x value. Using this definition, it is possible to find the value of the limits given a graph. A few examples are below:

$$\lim_{x \to -3} f(x) = 0 \qquad \qquad \lim_{x \to 2} f(x) = 4 \qquad \qquad \lim_{x \to 8} f(x) = -2$$

In general, you can see that these limits are equal to the value of the function. This is true if the function is <u>continuous</u>.