

Solve:

- 1) Find the slope of the tangent line to $y(x) = 3x^2 - 2x - 2$ at the point $(-4, 54)$.

$$y'(x) = 6x - 2$$

$$y'(-4) = \boxed{-26}$$

- 3) Find the slope of the tangent line to $g(x) = 3x^3 - 4x^2$ at the point $(-1, -7)$.

$$g'(x) = 9x^2 - 8x$$

$$g'(-1) = \boxed{17}$$

- 2) Find the slope of the tangent line to

$$a(x) = \sqrt{x+4} \text{ at the point } (5, 3).$$

$$a'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x+4)^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+4}}$$

$$a'(5) = \boxed{\frac{1}{6}}$$

- 4) Find the slope of the tangent line to $n(x) = x^2 - 3x - 2$ at the point $(-2, 8)$.

$$n'(x) = 2x - 3$$

$$n'(-2) = \boxed{-7}$$

- 5) Find the slope of the tangent line to $m(x) = -x^3 - 4x^2 - x - 3$ at the point $(2, -29)$.

$$m'(x) = -3x^2 - 8x - 1$$

$$m'(2) = \boxed{-29}$$

- 6) Find the slope of the tangent line to $n(x) = x + 4$ at the point $(-3, 1)$.

$$n'(x) = 1$$

$$n'(-3) = \boxed{1}$$

- 7) Find the slope of the tangent line to $b(x) = x^3 - x^2 + 2x - 4$ at the point $(0, -4)$.

$$b'(x) = 3x^2 - 2x + 2$$

$$b'(0) = \boxed{2}$$

- 8) Find the slope of the tangent line to

$$m(x) = \frac{4x - 3}{2x + 1} \text{ at the point } (2, 1).$$

$$m'(x) = \frac{4(2x+1) - 2(4x-3)}{(2x+1)^2}$$

$$m'(2) = \frac{20 - 10}{25} = \frac{10}{25} = \boxed{\frac{2}{5}}$$

- 10) Find the slope of the tangent line to

$$a(x) = \sqrt{x} \text{ at the point } (2, \sqrt{2}).$$

$$a'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$a'(2) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}}$$