MTHT 430 Analysis for Teachers

Problem Set 12

Do the following Problems from Spivak's ${\it Calculus}.$

Chapter 7: 16, 17

- 1) Suppose $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ is continuous and f(x)>0 for all $x\in[a,b]$. Let $g(x)=\frac{1}{f(x)}$. Prove that there are $r,s\in\mathbb{R}$ with r,s>0 such that $r\leq g(x)\leq s$ for all $x\in[a,b]$.
- 2) Suppose $f:[0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$ and $g:[0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$ are continuous and f(x) > g(x) for all $x \in [0,1]$. Prove that there is a > 0 such that $f(x) \ge g(x) + a$ for all $x \in [0,1]$.