→Go to **desmos.com** and click on Graphing Calculator:



→Click on **tool icon** in upper right corner, then choose options for **Circular Grid** and **Radians**. Be sure to size your graph window by adjusting the x-axis and y-axis to a ratio of 3:2 and/or adjust the viewing window to make it "square" so graphs aren't distorted. You can also zoom in and out.



 \rightarrow You are ready to type in your equations! To get the Theta symbol, you must type in $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{theta}$ and the calculator will automatically switch it to $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{\theta}$ for you.



TI-83+ and TI-84+ calculators:

*Set Mode to *Pol* (polar graphing)

*Select Radians

- *Create "square" window by using a **3:2 ratio** for x and y (so graphs aren't distorted)
- * Adjust window as needed and/or select **ZOOM**, option **ZoomFit**

Spiral will need multiple rotations so ADJUST θ MAXIMUM to 6π or higher.

*Window for all graphs except for a spiral:

| θ min 0 | X min -3 | 1 min -2 |
|--|--------------|--------------------------------|
| max 2π | max 3 | max 2 |
| step $\pi/24$ | scale 1 | scale 1 |
| ≈.1308996 step = how often points are | OR any 3:2 1 | ratio $x = 3, 6, 9, 12, \dots$ |
| plotted between 0 and 2π | | y – 2, 4, 0, 8, |

Classifying polar graphs based on the given trig function and values of a and b:

