3.6

Transformations of Graphs of Linear Functions For use with Exploration 3.6

Essential Question How does the graph of the linear function f(x) = x compare to the graphs of g(x) = f(x) + c and h(x) = f(cx)?







a. g(x) = x + 4 **b.** g(x) = x + 2 **c.** g(x) = x - 2**d.** g(x) = x - 44[∮] 4[₹] 4[₹] 2 . 2 **-**4 4 x ₹4 4 x -4 4 x -4 4 x -ż Ż ż -2 -2 Ż -<u>2</u> Ż 2 2 2 2

EXPLORATION: Comparing Graphs of Functions

Work with a partner. Sketch the graph of each function, along with f(x) = x, on the same set of coordinate axes. Use a graphing calculator to check your results. What can you conclude?



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3.6 Transformations of Graphs of Linear Functions (continued)

EXPLORATION: Matching Functions with Their Graphs

Work with a partner. Match each function with its graph. Use a graphing calculator to check your results. Then use the results of Explorations 1 and 2 to compare the graph of k to the graph of f(x) = x.

a.
$$k(x) = 2x - 4$$

b. $k(x) = -2x + 2$

c.
$$k(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 4$$

d. $k(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x - 2$



Communicate Your Answer

4. How does the graph of the linear function f(x) = x compare to the graphs of g(x) = f(x) + c and h(x) = f(cx)?

3.6 Practice For use after Lesson 3.6

Notes:

Core Concepts

A **translation** is a transformation that shifts a graph horizontally or vertically but does not change the size, shape, or orientation of the graph.

Horizontal Translations

The graph of y = f(x - h) is a horizontal translation of the graph of y = f(x), where $h \neq 0$.



Subtracting *h* from the *inputs* before evaluating the function shifts the graph left when h < 0 and right when h > 0.

Notes:

Vertical Translations

The graph of y = f(x) + k is a vertical translation of the graph of y = f(x), where $k \neq 0$.



Adding k to the *outputs* shifts the graph down when k < 0 and up when k > 0.

A reflection is a transformation that flips a graph over a line called the *line of reflection*.

Reflections in the x-axis

The graph of y = -f(x) is a reflection in the x-axis of the graph of y = f(x).



Multiplying the outputs by -1 changes their signs.

Reflections in the y-axis

The graph of y = f(-x) is a reflection in the y-axis of the graph of y = f(x).



Multiplying the inputs by -1 changes their signs.

Notes:

3.6 Practice (continued)

Horizontal Stretches and Shrinks

The graph of y = f(ax) is a horizontal stretch or shrink by a factor of $\frac{1}{a}$ of the graph of y = f(x), where a > 0 and $a \neq 1$.



Notes:

Vertical Stretches and Shrinks

The graph of $y = a \bullet f(x)$ is a vertical stretch or shrink by a factor of *a* of the graph of

y = f(x), where a > 0 and $a \neq 1$.



Transformations of Graphs

The graph of $y = a \bullet f(x - h) + k$ or the graph of y = f(ax - h) + k can be obtained from the graph of y = f(x) by performing these steps.

Step 1 Translate the graph of y = f(x) horizontally h units.

Step 2 Use *a* to stretch or shrink the resulting graph from Step 1.

Step 3 Reflect the resulting graph from Step 2 when a < 0.

Step 4 Translate the resulting graph from Step 3 vertically *k* units.

Notes:

3.6 Practice (continued)

Worked-Out Examples

Example #1

Use the graphs of f and g to describe the transformation from the graph of f to the graph of g.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x + 3; g(x) = f(x) - 3$$



The function g is of the form y = f(x) + k, where k = -3. So, the graph of g is a vertical translation 3 units down of the graph of f.

Example #2

Use the graphs of f and g to describe the transformation from the graph of f to the graph of g.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x - 5; g(x) = f(x - 3)$$



The function g is of the form y = f(x - h), where h = 3. So, the graph of g is a horizontal translation 3 units right of the graph of f.

3.6 Practice (continued)

Practice A

In Exercises 1–6, use the graphs of f and g to describe the transformation from the graph of f to the graph of g.







7. Graph f(x) = x and g(x) = 3x - 2. Describe the transformations from the graph of *f* to the graph of *g*.







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Practice B

In Exercises 1 and 2, use the graphs of *f* and *g* to describe the transformation from the graph of *f* to the graph of *g*.

- **1.** f(x) = -x 3; g(x) = f(x + 5)**2.** $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x - 2$; g(x) = f(x - 6)
- 3. The total cost C (in dollars) to rent a 14-foot by 20-foot canopy for d days is given by the function C(d) = 15d + 30, where the setup fee is \$30 and the charge per day is \$15. The setup fee increases by \$20. The new total cost T is given by the function T(d) = C(d) + 20. Describe the transformation from the graph of C to the graph of T.

In Exercises 4 and 5, use the graphs of *f* and *h* to describe the transformation from the graph of *f* to the graph of *h*.

4.
$$f(x) = -3 - x; h(x) = f(-x)$$

5. $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x + 1; h(x) = -f(x)$

In Exercises 6 and 7, use the graphs of *f* and *r* to describe the transformation from the graph of *f* to the graph of *r*.

6.
$$f(x) = 5x - 10; r(x) = f(\frac{2}{5}x)$$

7. $f(x) = -\frac{1}{3}x + 2; r(x) = 6f(x)$

In Exercises 8–11, use the graphs of *f* and *g* to describe the transformation from the graph of *f* to the graph of *g*.

8.
$$f(x) = -3x + 5$$
; $g(x) = f(x - 3)$
9. $f(x) = -2x + 6$; $g(x) = f(\frac{4}{3}x)$

10.
$$f(x) = 4x - 3$$
; $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x)$
11. $f(x) = -2x$; $g(x) = f(x) + 3$

In Exercises 12 and 13, write a function *g* in terms of *f* so that the statement is true.

12. The graph of g is a horizontal shrink by a factor of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the graph of f.

13. The graph of g is a horizontal translation 5 units left of the graph of f.

In Exercises 14–17, graph *f* and *h*. Describe the transformations from the graph of *f* to the graph of *h*.

14.
$$f(x) = x; h(x) = -2x + 1$$
15. $f(x) = x; h(x) = \frac{3}{2}x + 2$
16. $f(x) = 2x; h(x) = 8x - 3$
17. $f(x) = 3x; h(x) = -3x - 5$