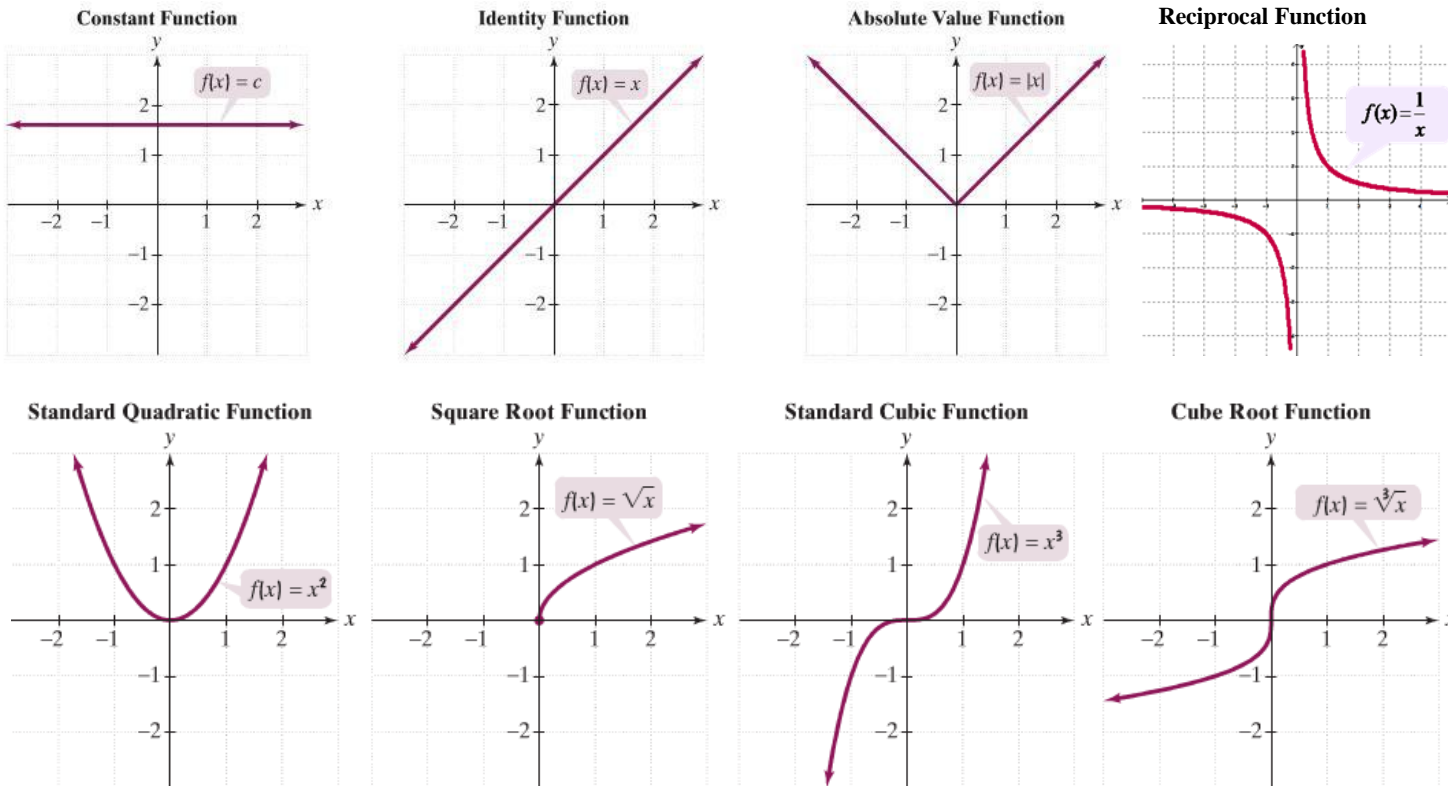


2.6 Transformations of Graphs

This section discusses certain “families” of functions. It can be very helpful to know the general shape of a graph when you see its equation. **Table 2-2 (p.229)** shows the various general equations for which you should know the graph...without having to graph them.

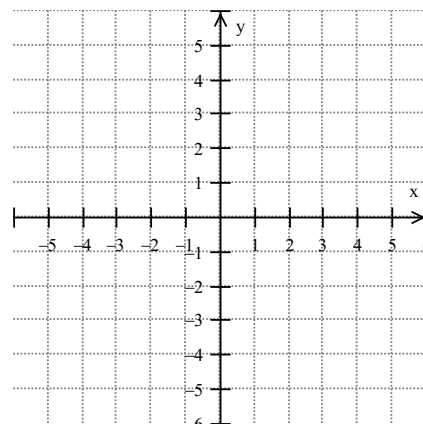


❖ The Graph of $y = f(x) + k$ & $y = f(x) - k$

Use a graphing calculator to graph and label each on the same grid:

- $f(x) = x^2$
- $g(x) = x^2 + 2$
- $h(x) = x^2 - 3$

What happens when constants are added or subtracted on the “outside” of the original function?

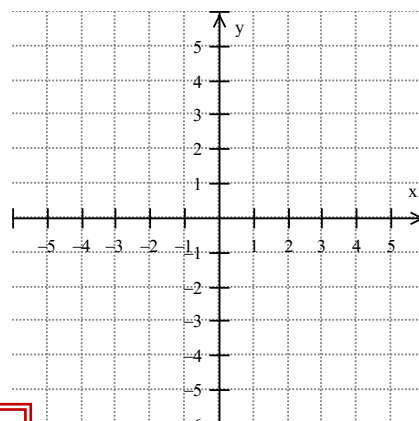


In general, $f(x) + k$ shifts the graph of f _____ k units.
 $f(x) - k$ shifts the graph of f _____ k units.

❖ **The Graph of $y = f(x+h)$ & $y = f(x-h)$**

Use a graphing calculator to graph and label each on the same grid:

- a) $f(x) = |x|$
- b) $g(x) = |x+2|$
- c) $h(x) = |x-3|$



What happens when constants are added or subtracted on the “inside” of the original function?

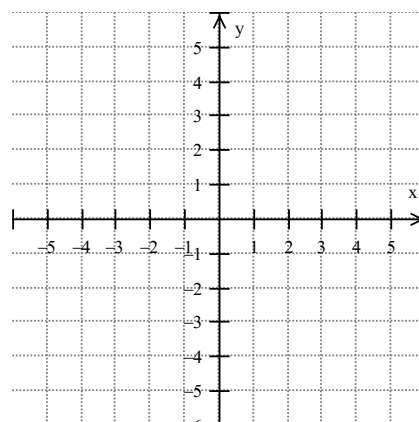
**In general, $f(x+h)$ shifts the graph of f to the _____ h units.
 $f(x-h)$ shifts the graph of f to the _____ h units.**

Ex. Given $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1} - 2$.

- (a) List and graph the original function.

- (b) List any shifts.

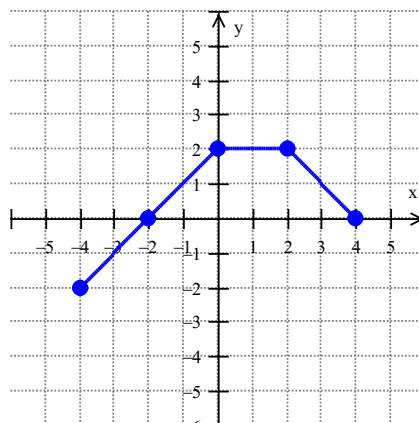
- (c) Graph.



Ex. Use the graph of $f(x)$ given to graph $g(x) = f(x-1) + 3$.

To graph this transformation:

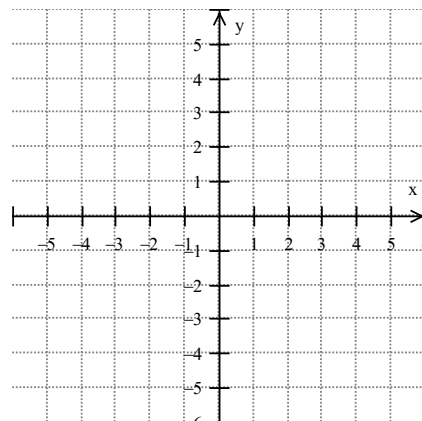
- 1.) Add 1 from each x
- 2.) Add 3 from each y



❖ **The Graph of $y = -f(x)$ & $y = f(-x)$**

Use a graphing calculator to graph and label each on the same grid:

- a) $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$
- b) $g(x) = -\sqrt{x}$
- c) $h(x) = \sqrt{-x}$



What happens when **every “y”** is multiplied by **-1**?

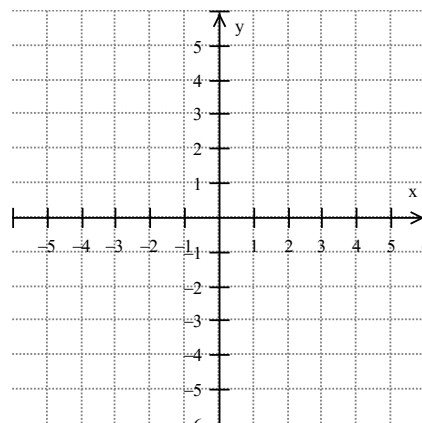
What happens when **every “x”** is multiplied by **-1**?

In general, $-f(x)$ is a function that is reflected across the _____ axis.
 $f(-x)$ is a function that is reflected across the _____ axis.

❖ **The Graph of $y = af(x)$**

Use a graphing calculator to graph and label each on the same grid:

- a) $f(x) = x^2$
- b) $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$
- c) $h(x) = 2x^2$



The graph of $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$ is _____

than the graph of $f(x) = x^2$.

- Notice the y -values are **decreased** by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$ from the original.
- The graph is pulled down toward the x -axis.

The graph of $h(x) = 2x^2$ is _____

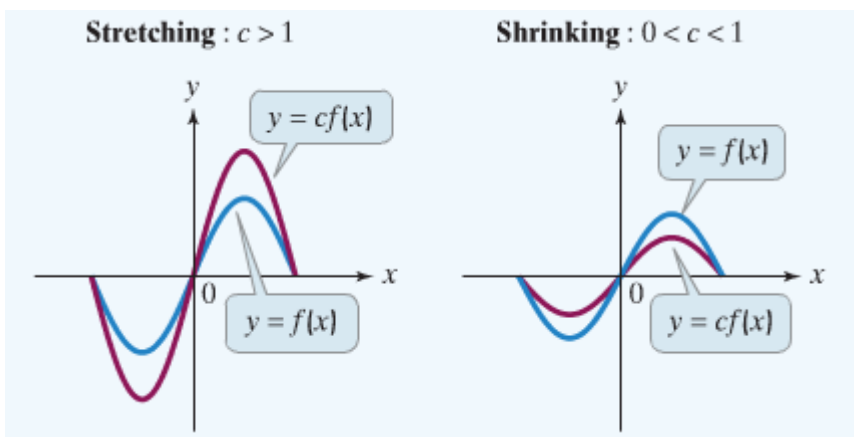
than the graph of $f(x) = x^2$.

- Notice the y -values are **increased** by a factor of **2** from the original.
- The graph is stretched away from the x -axis.

In general, $af(x)$ is called a _____ if $0 < a < 1$.

$af(x)$ is called a _____ if $a > 1$.

(Each of the original y -values will get multiplied by a .)



❖ The Graph of $y = f(ax)$

Use a graphing calculator to graph and label each on the same grid:

a) $f(x) = |x|$

b) $g(x) = \left|\frac{1}{2}x\right|$

c) $h(x) = |2x|$

The graph of $g(x) = \left|\frac{1}{2}x\right|$ is _____

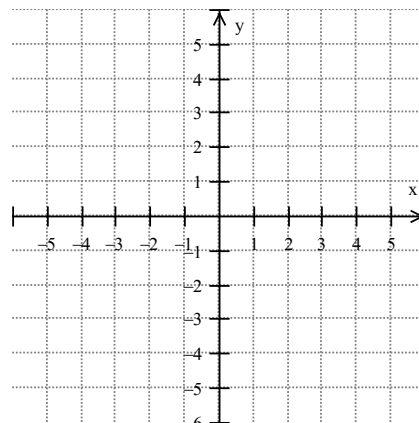
than the graph of $f(x) = |x|$.

- The graph is "stretched" away from the y -axis.

The graph of $h(x) = |2x|$ is _____

than the graph of $f(x) = |x|$.

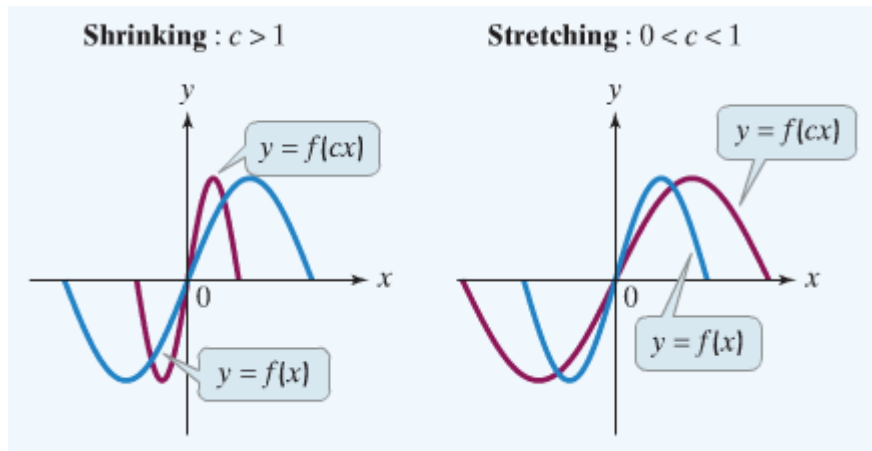
- The graph is pushed in toward the y -axis.



In general, $f(ax)$ is called a _____ if $0 < a < 1$.

$f(ax)$ is called a _____ if $a > 1$.

(Each of the original x -values will get divided by a .)



❖ Sequences of Transformations

(p.236) Summary of Transformations of Functions

Ex. List the transformations.

(a) $T(x) = f(-x) - 5$

(b) $T(x) = -2f(x+1)$

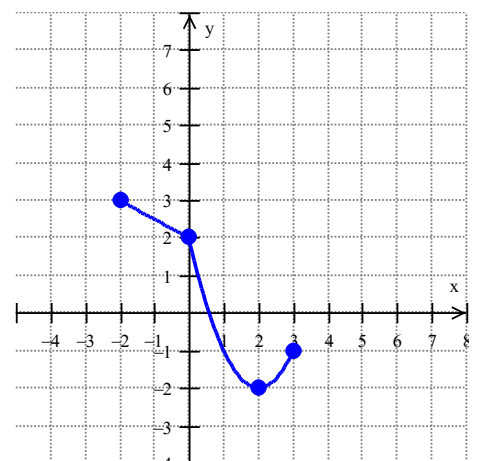
A function involving more than one transformation can be graphed by performing transformations in the following order:

- 1.) Horizontal Shifting
- 2.) Stretching or Shrinking
- 3.) Reflecting
- 4.) Vertical Shifting

Ex. Use the graph of $f(x)$ shown to graph $T(x) = 2f(x-3)+1$.

Analyze the transformations in order:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)



Ex. Begin by graphing the cube root function, $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$. Then graph $T(x) = -\sqrt[3]{x-2} + 3$.

Original Cube Root Function

x	y
-8	
-1	
0	
1	
8	

NEW Cube Root Function

Analyze the transformations in order:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

