

Keeper 1.1 – Equations of Lines, Piecewise and Transformations

Forms for the Equation of a Line		
Slope-Intercept	$y = mx + b$	m is the slope b is the y -intercept
Point-Slope	$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$	m is the slope (x_1, y_1) is a point on the line
Standard Form	$ax + by = c$	a is positive
Intercept Form	$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$	a is the x -intercept b is the y -intercept
Vertical	$x = a$	Vertical line with a as the x -intercept
Horizontal	$y = b$	Horizontal line with b as the y -intercept

Two non-vertical lines with slopes m_1 and m_2 are:

Parallel

if the lines have the same slope,

$$m_1 = m_2.$$

Perpendicular

if the slopes are negative reciprocals,

$$m_2 = -\frac{1}{m_1}$$

or equivalently, if $m_1 \cdot m_2 = -1$.

Examples: Find the equation of the following lines:

1. Horizontal, passes through $(0, -2)$

$$\downarrow$$

$$y = b$$

$$y = -2$$

* Never circle/box
Your Answers!

2. Passes through $(-1, 4)$ and $(2, 7)$

• First find the slope

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{7 - 4}{2 - (-1)} = \frac{3}{3} = 1$$

• Second use the point slope form to write equation

$$y - 4 = 1(x + 1)$$

or

$$y - 7 = 1(x - 2)$$

* No Need to simplify!

3. Parallel to $y = 3x - 4$ and contains $(1, 2)$

\downarrow Same Slope
 \downarrow Slope

$$m = 3$$

Point Slope form

$$y - 2 = 3(x - 1)$$

* No Need to Simplify
to $y = !$

4. Perpendicular to $3x + 5y = 9$ and contains $(2, 3)$

→ Negative Reciprocal Slope

$$3x + 5y = 9$$

$$5y = -3x + 9$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{5}x + \frac{9}{5}$$

↳ slope

$$m = \frac{5}{3}$$

Point Slope form

$$y - 3 = \frac{5}{3}(x - 2)$$

Piecewise-Defined Function

A **piecewise-defined function** is one which is defined not by a single equation, but by two or more. Each equation is valid for some interval.

Examples: Graph and evaluate the function:

5. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 1, & x \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}x + 2, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

closed circle \rightarrow $x \leq 1$ *No calculator!*
open circle \rightarrow $x > 1$
 \rightarrow Quadratic equation down 1
 \rightarrow linear y int 2 Slope 1/2

Top equation \leftarrow a. Find $f(-2) = 3$

Top equation \leftarrow b. Find $f(0) = -1$

Top equation \leftarrow c. Find $f(1) = 0$

Bottom equation \leftarrow d. Find $f(s^2 + 2) = \frac{1}{2}(s^2 + 2) + 2$

6. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x < 0 \\ \sqrt{x}, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

\rightarrow horizontal line at $y = 1$ open circle
 \rightarrow closed circle Parent square root graph

7. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2, & -2 \leq x \leq -1 \\ 1 - \sqrt{1 - x^2}, & -1 < x < 1 \\ -x + 2, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases}$

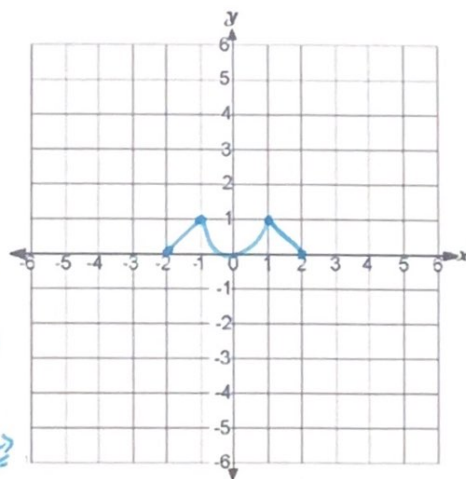
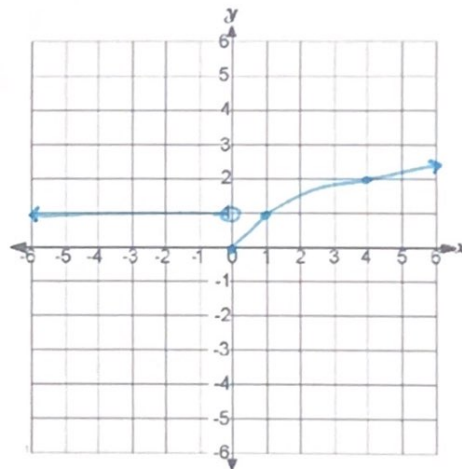
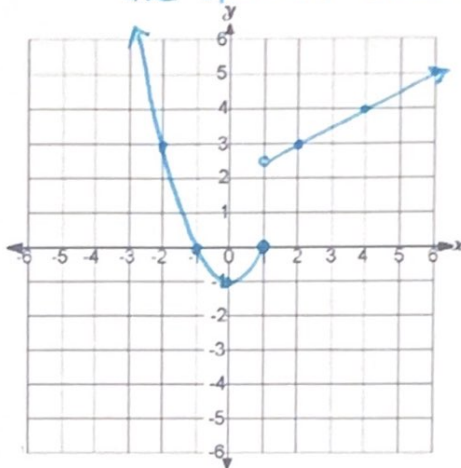
Middle equation \leftarrow a. Find $f(0) = 0$

Top equation \leftarrow b. Find $f(-1.5) = .5$

Bottom equation \leftarrow c. Find $f(1.5) = .5$

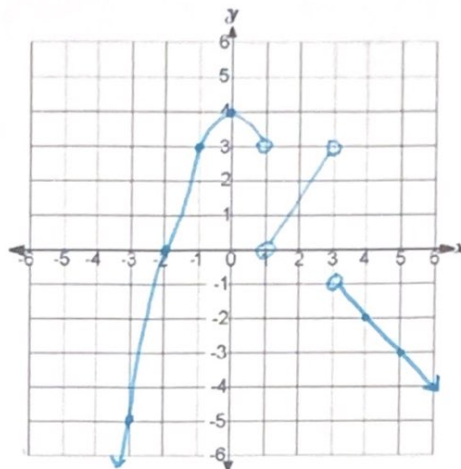
Not defined in the domain \leftarrow d. Find $f(3)$ **Undefined**

** graph each equation on the specified domain!*



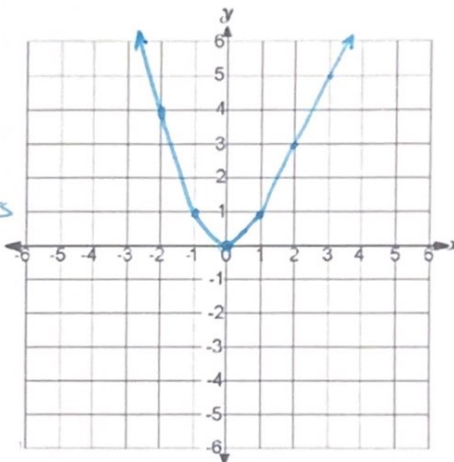
$$8. f(x) = \begin{cases} 4 - x^2, & x < 1 \\ \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{3}{2}, & 1 < x < 3 \\ -x + 2, & x > 3 \end{cases}$$

→ upside down
Parabola
up 4
open
circle



$$9. f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 0 \\ x^3, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 2x - 1, & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

→ Parent quadratic
→ Parent cubic



Domain: \mathbb{R} ← Symbol for All Real Numbers

Range: $[0, \infty)$

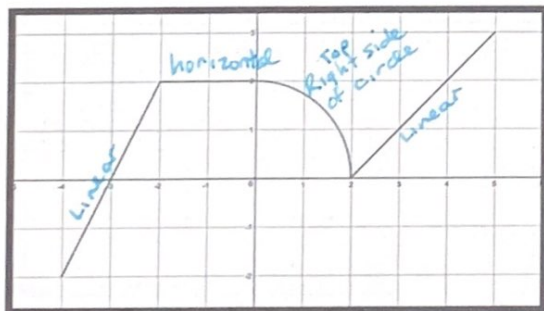
Middle Equation ← a. Find $f(1) = 1$

Top Equation ← b. Find $f(-2) = 4$

Top Equation ← c. Find $f(-3) = 9$

Write a formula for the following graphs:

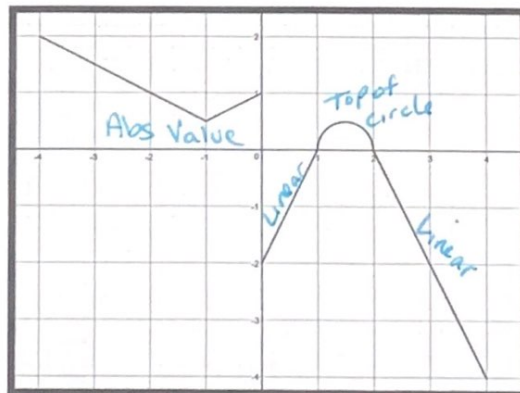
10.



4 pieces!

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 6, & x \leq -2 \\ 2, & -2 < x < 0 \\ \sqrt{4 - x^2}, & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ x - 2, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

11.

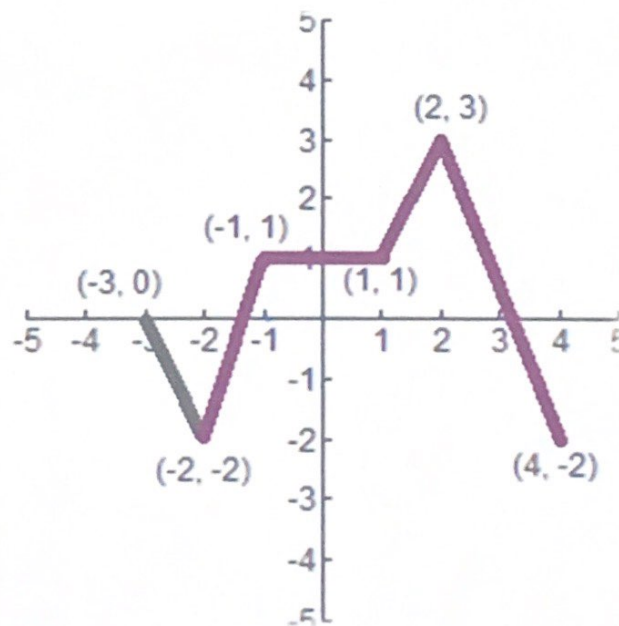


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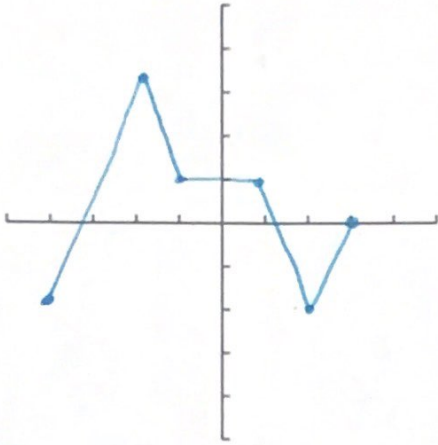
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}|x+1| + \frac{1}{2}, & x < 0 \\ 2x - 2, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ \sqrt{4 - (x - \frac{3}{2})^2}, & 1 < x < 2 \\ -2x + 4, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Transformation Rules for Functions		
Function Notation	Type of Transformation	Change to Coordinate Point
$f(x) + d$	Vertical translation up d units	$(x, y) \rightarrow (x, y + d)$
$f(x) - d$	Vertical translation down d units	$(x, y) \rightarrow (x, y - d)$
$f(x + c)$	Horizontal translation left c units	$(x, y) \rightarrow (x - c, y)$
$f(x - c)$	Horizontal translation right c units	$(x, y) \rightarrow (x + c, y)$
$-f(x)$	Reflection over x-axis	$(x, y) \rightarrow (x, -y)$
$f(-x)$	Reflection over y-axis	$(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, y)$
$af(x)$	Vertical stretch for $ a > 1$	$(x, y) \rightarrow (x, ay)$
	Vertical compression for $0 < a < 1$	
$f(bx)$	Horizontal compression for $ b > 1$	$(x, y) \rightarrow \left(\frac{x}{b}, y\right)$
	Horizontal stretch for $0 < b < 1$	

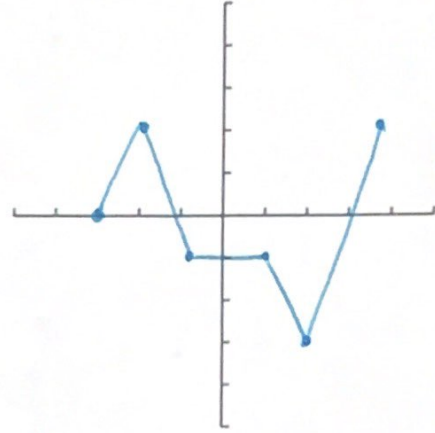
Examples: Let $f(x)$ be the function shown. Draw a graph and write a description of the transformation



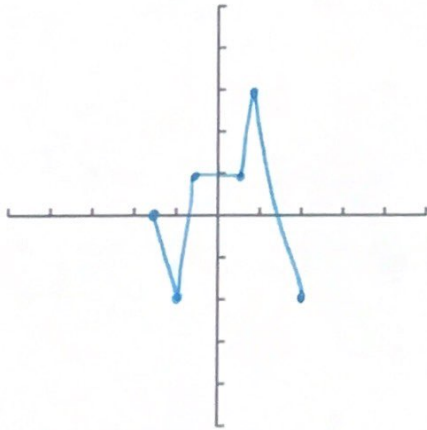
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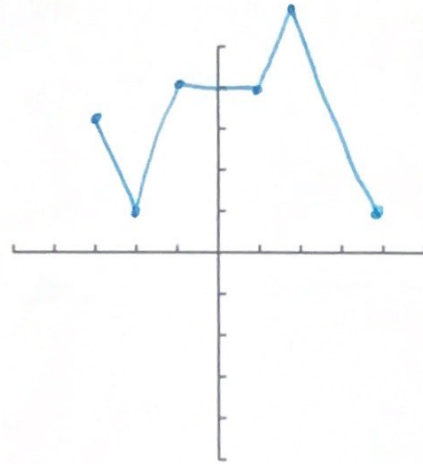
13. $y = -f(x)$ x axis reflection



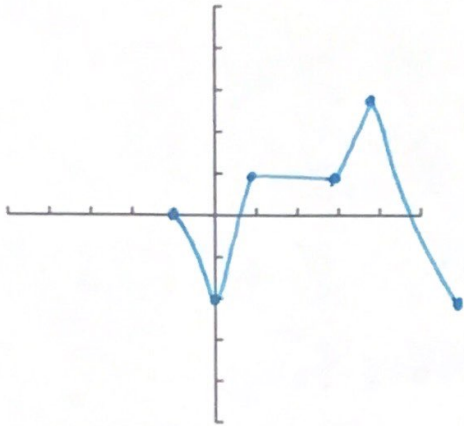
14. $y = f(2x)$ Horizontal Compression



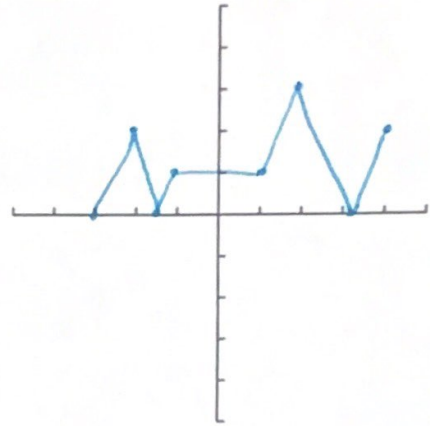
15. $y = f(x) + 3$ up 3



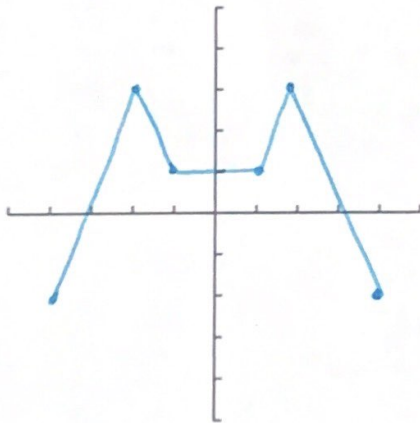
16. $y = f(x - 2)$ Right 2



17. $y = |f(x)|$ → y values turn positive if Negative



18. $y = f(|x|)$ Negative x values Mimic positive x values



19. $y = |f(x)| - 1$ Same as # 17 down 1

