# Transformations of Functions~Effect on $x$-values 

OBJECTIVE: Determine the effect of $k$ on the original function $f(x)$ if it were replaced with either $f(k x)$ or $f(x+k)$ where $k$ is a real number.

## The effect of $f(k x)$

for $\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x})$ play https://www.desmos.com/calculator/nqxx2mhknn and only focus on " k ". Change $\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x})$ to $f(x)=x^{3}$. Then change $\mathrm{g}(\mathrm{x})$ to $\mathrm{g}(\mathrm{x})=\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{kx})$ and watch the transformation. Have students begin to make hypothesis about the effect of the constant " k ". Then change the equation to $f(x)=x$ to verify their hypothesis. Have students then sketch the transformations of $p(x)$. The parent function always occurs when $\mathrm{k}=1$


| Answer the following four questions for each column <br> 1. What type of transformation occurred? Be specific. <br> 2. How did this transformation affect the $x$-values? <br> 3. How did this transformation affect the $y$-values? <br> 4. Did it affect the domain or the range? Explain why. | 1. There was a reflection over the $y$-axis because $\mathrm{k}<0$ and a horizontal compression by a factor of k units because $\|k\|>$ 1. <br> 2. The $x$-values were compressed by a factor of $k$ units <br> 3. The $y$-values were not affected <br> 4. The domain was affected because the $x$ values were changed. | 1. There is a horizontal compression by a factor of k units because $\|k\|>1$. <br> 2. The $x$-values were compressed by a factor of $k$ units <br> 3. The $y$-values were not affected <br> 4. The domain was affected because the $x$-values were changed. | 1. There was a reflection over the $y$-axis because $\mathrm{k}<0$ and a horizontal stretch by a factor of k units because $0<\|k\|<$ 1. <br> 2. The $x$-values were stretched by a factor of k units <br> 3. The $y$-values were not affected <br> 4. The domain was affected because the $x$ values were changed. | 1. There was a horizontal stretch by a factor of $k$ units because $0<\|k\|<$ 1 <br> 2. The $x$-values were stretched by a factor of $k$ units <br> 3. The $y$-values were not affected <br> 4. The domain was affected because the $x$ values were changed. |
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| The effect of $f(x+k)$ |  |  |  |  |
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| $f(x)$ | $f(x-2)$ | $f$ | $f(-x-2)$ | $f(-x+2)$ |
|  $f(x)=x^{2}$ |  $f(a)=(a-2)^{2}$ |  $g(r)=(r+2)^{2}$ |  $k(s)=(-s-2)^{2}$ |  $g(x)=(-x+2)^{2}$ |
| $h(x)$ | $h(x-3)$ | $h(x+4)$ | $h(-x-4)$ | $h(-x+4)$ |
| $h(x)=\sqrt{x}$ | $k(r)=\sqrt{r-3}$ | $k(r)=\sqrt{r+4}$ | $l(s)=\sqrt{-s-4}$ | $k(r)=\sqrt{-r+4}$ |


| $p(x)$  $\begin{gathered} p(x) \\ =\left\{\begin{array}{c} (x+3)^{2}-3, x \leq-2 \\ x,-2<x \leq 2 \\ -(x-3)^{2}+3, x>2 \end{array}\right. \end{gathered}$ | $p(x-1)$  $k(x)=\left\{\begin{array}{c} (x+2)^{2}-3, x \leq-1 \\ x-1,-1<x \leq 3 \\ -(x-4)^{2}+3, x>3 \end{array}\right.$ | $p(x+2)$  $\begin{gathered} g(x) \\ =\left\{\begin{array}{c} (x+5)^{2}-3, x \leq-4 \\ x+2,-4<x \leq 0 \\ -(x-1)^{2}+3, x>0 \end{array}\right. \end{gathered}$ | $p(-x-1)$  $=\left\{\begin{array}{c} r(x) \\ (-x+2)^{2}-3, x \geq 1 \\ -x-1,1>x \geq-3 \\ -(-x-4)^{2}+3, x<-3 \end{array}\right.$ | $p(-x+2)$  $\begin{gathered} k(x) \\ =\left\{\begin{array}{c} (-x+5)^{2}-3, x \geq 4 \\ -x+2,4>x \geq 0 \\ -(-x-1)^{2}+3, x<0 \end{array}\right. \end{gathered}$ |
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