

NOTES: SECONDARY 2 HONORS

TRANSFORMATIONS ON QUADRATIC AND ABSOLUTE VALUE FUNCTIONS (3.3, 3.4)

Vocabulary

- The **parent function** is the basic function used to create the more complicated functions.
- The graph of a quadratic function is in the shape of a **parabola**. This is generally described as being “u” shaped.
 - The vertex form is $f(x) = a(x-h)^2 + k$ where the vertex is at (h, k) and the axis of symmetry is at $x = h$.
- The **absolute value function** is actually a piecewise-defined function consisting of two linear equations.
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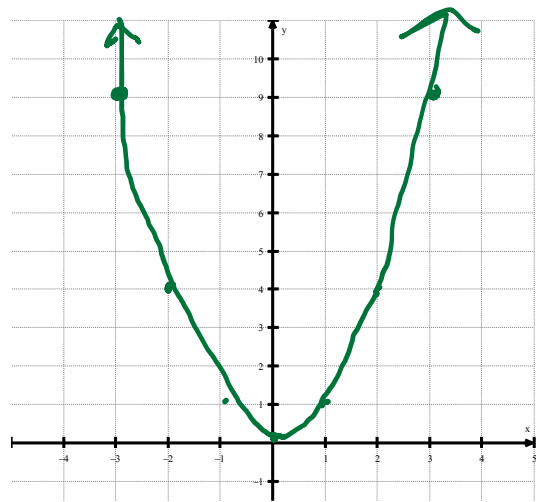
QUADRATIC PARENT FUNCTION

Equation: $y = x^2$

Table

x	y
-3	9
-2	4
-1	1
0	0
1	1
2	4
3	9

Graph



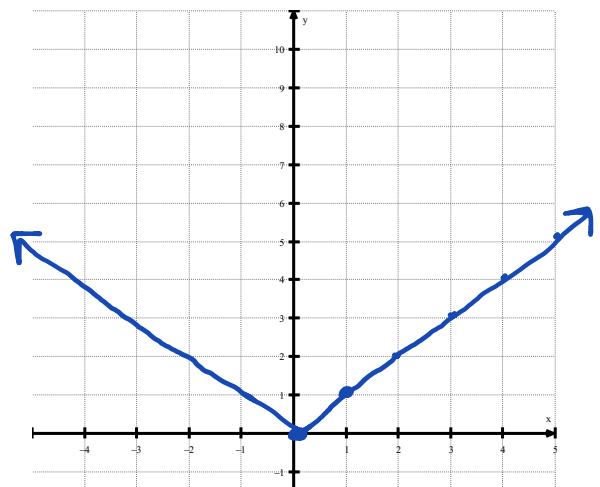
ABSOLUTE VALUE PARENT FUNCTION

Equation: $y = |x|$

Table

x	y
-3	3
-2	2
-1	1
0	0
1	1
2	2
3	3

Graph



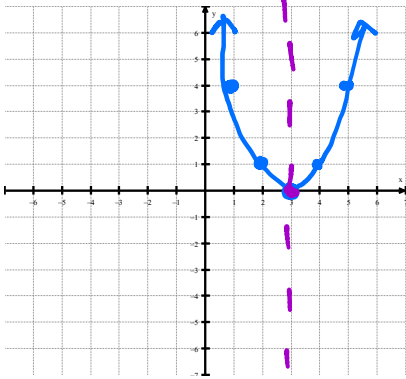
General Formula - Quadratic



$$f(x) = a(x - h)^2 + k$$

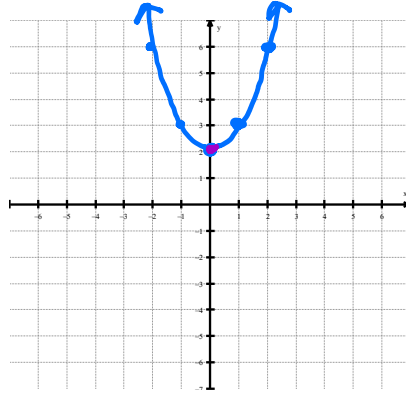
Examples: Describe the transformations performed on $f(x) = x^2$ to make it the following:

a. $f(x) = (x - 3)^2$ Horizontal shift right 3.



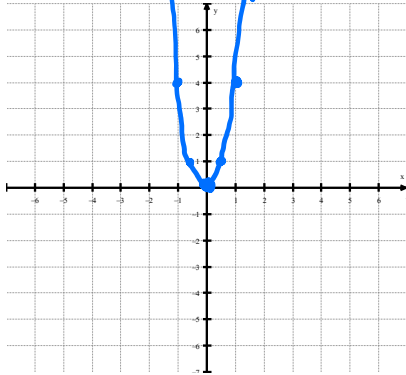
Axis of symmetry: $x = 3$
 Vertex: $(3, 0)$
 Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 Range: $[0, \infty)$
 Max/Min value: min value at 0 when x is 3.

b. $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ vertical shift up 2.



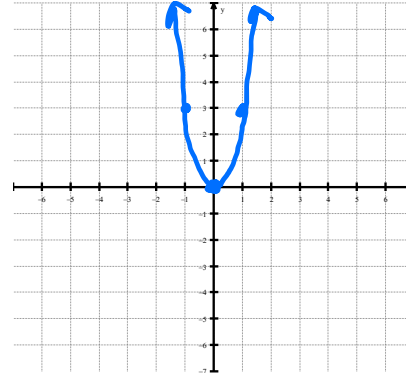
Axis of symmetry: $x = 0$
 Vertex: $(0, 2)$
 Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 Range: $[2, \infty)$
 Max/Min value: min value at 2 when x is 0.

c. $f(x) = (2x)^2$ Horizontal stretch by a factor of $1/2$.



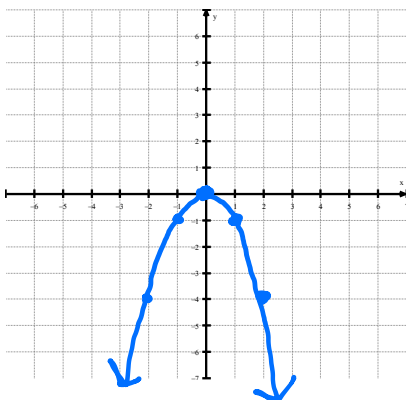
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d. $f(x) = 3x^2$ vertical stretch by a factor of 3.



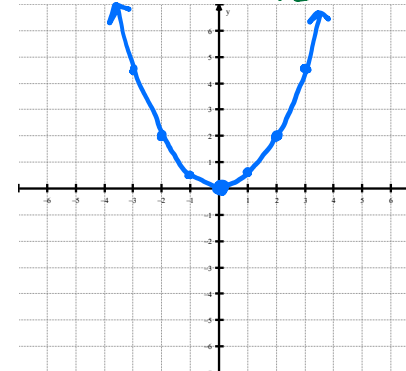
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e. $f(x) = -x^2$ reflected across the x-axis.



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 Max/Min value: max value at 0 when x is 0.

f. $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$ vertical stretch by a factor of $1/2$.



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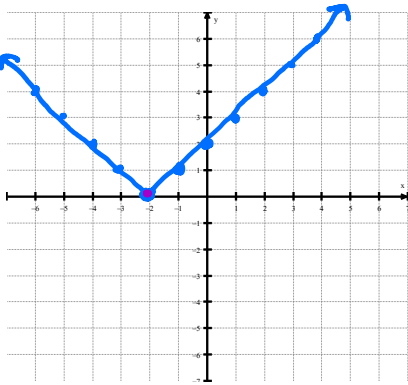
General Formula – Absolute Value

$$f(x) = a|x - h| + k$$

Examples: Describe the transformations performed on $f(x) = x^2$ to make it the following:

a. $f(x) = |x + 2|$

Horizontal shift
left 2.



Axis of symmetry:

$x = -2$

Vertex:

$(-2, 0)$

Domain:

$(-\infty, \infty)$

Range:

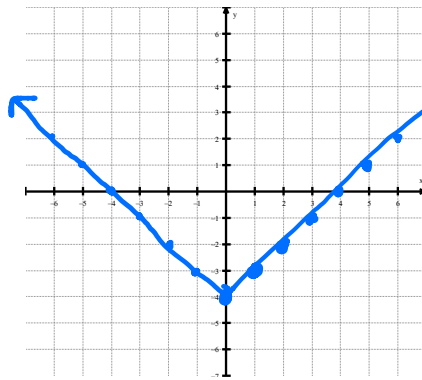
$[0, \infty)$

Max/Min value:

min value at 0
when x is -2.

b. $f(x) = |x| - 4$

vertical shift
down 4



Axis of symmetry:

$x = 0$

Vertex:

$(0, -4)$

Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

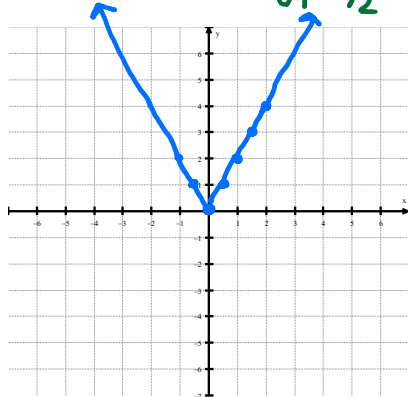
Range: $[-4, \infty)$

Max/Min value:

min value at -4
when x is 0.

c. $f(x) = |2x|$

Horizontal stretch
by a factor
of $1/2$



Axis of symmetry:

$x = 0$

Vertex:

$(0, 0)$

Domain:

$(-\infty, \infty)$

Range:

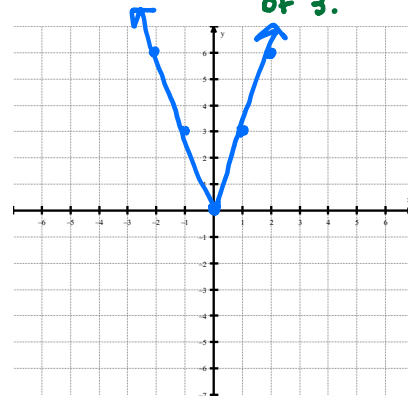
$[0, \infty)$

Max/Min value:

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when x is 0.

d. $f(x) = 3|x|$

vertical stretch
by a factor
of 3.



Axis of symmetry:

$x = 0$

Vertex:

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Domain:

$(-\infty, \infty)$

Range:

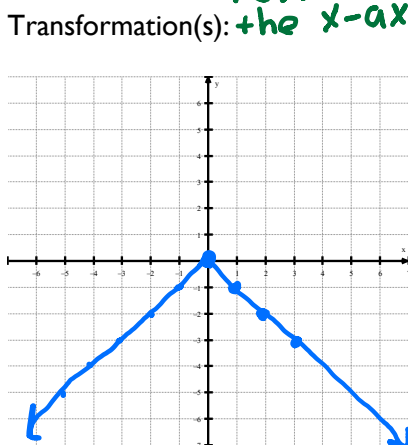
$[0, \infty)$

Max/Min value:

min value at 0
when x is 0.

e. $f(x) = -|x|$

reflecting across
the x -axis



Axis of symmetry:

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Vertex:

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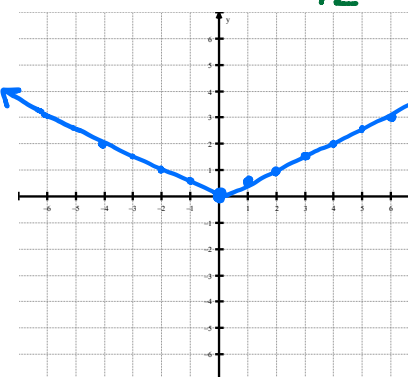
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f. $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}|x|$

vertical stretch
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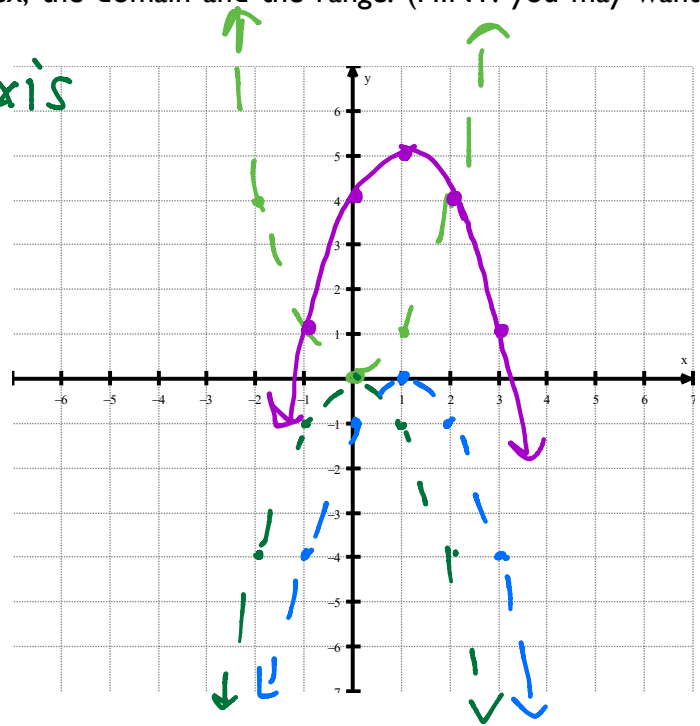
min value at 0
when x is 0.

When graphing multiple translations it is best to **StReSS**. StReSS is an acronym to help you remember the order to perform transformations. Always begin with the parent graph for the function, you then perform the **St** or the stretch; this refers to the a in the general formula, and could be a shrink or a stretch. After completing the stretch you **Re** (reflect) your graph. On quadratic functions, reflections are always across the x -axis. Once you have completed the **StRe** you finish with **SS**, this refers to shift-shift, or a vertical shift and a horizontal shift.

Example: Describe the transformations on $f(x) = x^2$ to make it $f(x) = -(x - 1)^2 + 5$. Then graph the function and identify the axis of symmetry, the vertex, the domain and the range. (HINT: you may want to graph the equation)

- Reflects across the x -axis
- Horizontal shift right 1
- Vertical shift up 5.

axis of symmetry: $x=1$
 Vertex: $(1, 5)$
 domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 range: $(-\infty, 5]$
 max value at 5 when x is 1.



Example: Describe the transformations on $f(x) = |x|$ to make it $f(x) = -2|x - 3| + 5$. Then graph the function and identify the axis of symmetry, the vertex, the domain and the range. (HINT: you may want to graph the equation)

- Vertical stretch by a factor of 2.
- reflection across the x -axis.
- Horizontal shift right 3.
- Vertical shift up 5.

axis of symmetry: $x=3$
 Vertex: $(3, 5)$
 Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 Range: $(-\infty, 5]$
 max value at 5 when x is 3.

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