

Geometry

Reflections

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Vocabulary

Reflection

Previously referred to as a 'flip'.

Creates a mirror image about a specified line known as the line of reflection.

The pre-image and the image are equidistant from the line of reflection.



Basic Reflections

Reflect about (in) the x-axis: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x, -y)$ Reflect about (in) the y-axis: $(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, y)$

Reflection about any horizontal line, $y = # : (x, y) \rightarrow (x, 2 * # - y)$

Reflection about any vertical line, x = # :

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (2 * \# - x, y)$$

Reflect about the line y = x: $(x, y) \rightarrow (y, x)$ Reflect about the line y = -x: $(x, y) \rightarrow (-y, -x)$



<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ouNp8FtgiEE</u>

Animated video about Reflections



Graph the polygon and its image after a reflection in the given line.

$$A(-1, 5), B(-4, 4), C(-3, 1); y$$
-axis



$$A(0, 2), B(4, 5), C(5, 2); x$$
-axis



Graph the polygon and its image after a reflection in the given line.

$$A(2, -1), B(-4, -2), C(-1, -3); y = 1$$
 $A(-2, 3), B(-2, -2), C(0, -2); x = -3$





Graph the polygon after a reflection in the given line.

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$$y = -x$$



Graph ΔJKL , J(3, 1), K(4, 2), L(1, 3) and the resulting image after each step of the given composition.

Translation: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x - 6, y - 1)$ Reflection: in the line y = -x

Translation: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x, y - 4)$ Reflection: in the line x = 1



Reflections over any line

Reflect point P about line y = mx + b to find P':

- 1. Determine the slope of the line of reflection
- Determine the equation of the line perpendicular to the line of reflection, passing through P
- 3. Determine the point of intersection of the two lines
- 4. Determine the reflected point by applying midpoint calculations (the point of intersection is the



midpoint of $\overline{PP'}$)

Reflect the point A(5, 4) over the line $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 3$











In Exercises 5 and 6, graph the polygon's image after a reflection in the given line.

5. y = x



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the glide reflection. In Exercises 7 and 8, graph \triangle JKL with vertices J(3, 1), K(4, 2), and L(1, 3) and its image after

7. Translation: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x - 6, y - 1)$

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Translation: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x, y - 4)$

Reflection: in the line y = -x



