

Graphing with Technology

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1) **Square Root Functions:** Start by graphing the functions:

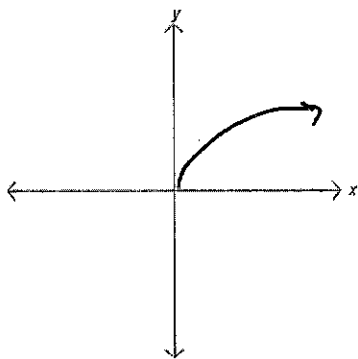
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

2a) Describe the domain of this graph.

$$x \geq 0$$

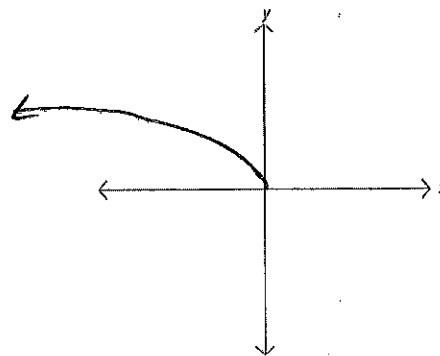
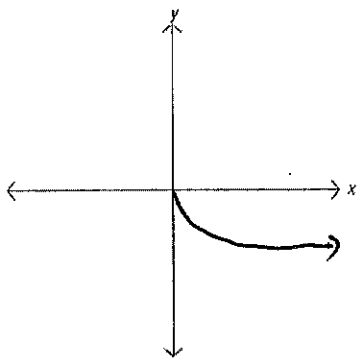
2b) Why are there no negative x or y values?

You can't take the square root of a negative number



3) Graph $f(x) = -\sqrt{x}$

Graph $f(x) = \sqrt{-x}$



4) What does a coefficient of (-1) do to the graph of a square root function?

it flips the graph upside down (reflects over the x-axis)

5) What does a (-1) inside the radical do to the graph of a square root function?

it flips the graph to the left (reflects over the y-axis)

6) **Cube Root Function:**

Now graph the function:

$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$$

Predict:

What do you think the graph

of $f(x) = -\sqrt[3]{x}$ will look like?

Draw your sketch below:

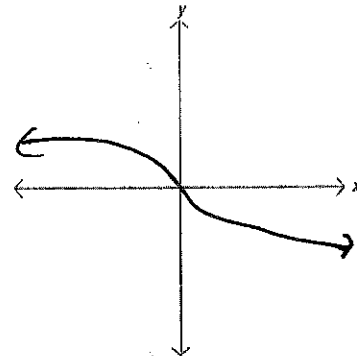
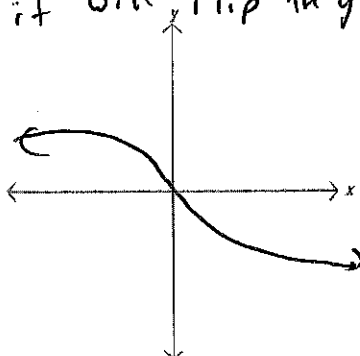
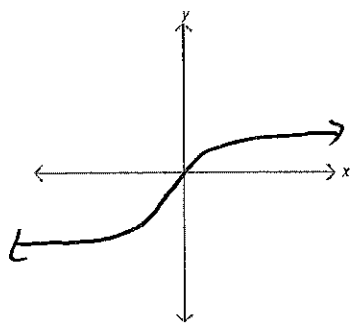
it will flip the graph!

Then, use your calculator on

Desmos to graph the cube

root function and copy the

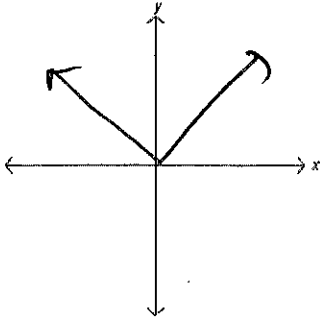
graph below



7) What does a coefficient of (-1) do to the graph of a cube root function?

it flips the graph (reflection over the x-axis)

8) **Absolute Value Functions:** Graph: $f(x) = |x|$



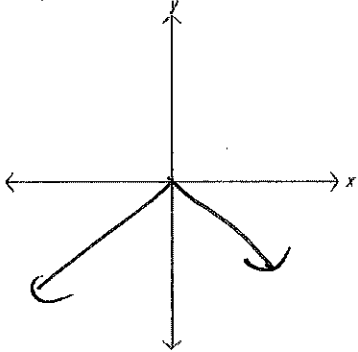
a) Describe the range of this graph.

$$y \geq 0$$

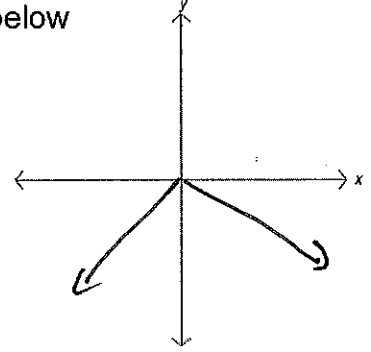
b) Why are there no negative y values?

absolute value is always a positive number

9) **Predict:** What do you think the graph of $f(x) = -|x|$ will look like? upside down V
Draw your sketch below:



Use your calculator to graph the function and copy the graph below



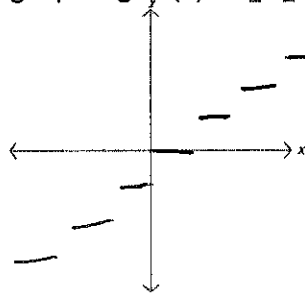
10) What does a coefficient of (-1) do to the graph of an absolute value function?

it flips the graph upside down
(reflection over the x-axis)

STOP HERE! WE WILL WORK THROUGH THESE FINAL PROBLEMS TOGETHER

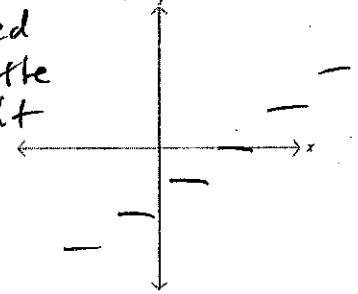
11) **Step Functions:** Finish by graphing: $f(x) = \llbracket x \rrbracket$

** In Desmos, click the **function button** and then choose the function, **floor**.



12) **Step Functions:** Graph: $f(x) = \llbracket x - 2 \rrbracket$

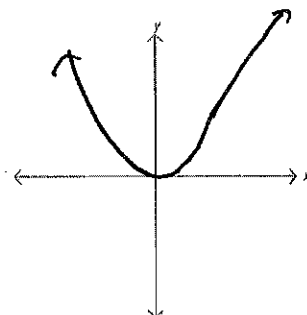
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2 units



Piece Wise Functions:

$$\text{Graph: } f(x) = \left. \begin{array}{l} y = 2x, \text{ when } x > 2 \\ y = x^2, \text{ when } x < 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

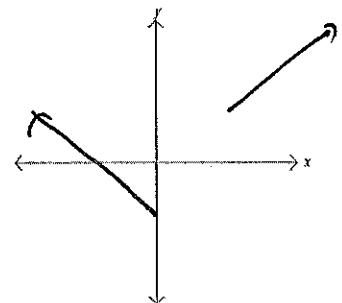
Sketch the graph below:



Piece Wise Functions:

Sketch the graph below:

$$f(x) = \left. \begin{array}{l} y = \frac{1}{2}x + 3, \text{ when } x > 6 \\ y = -\frac{1}{2}x - 2, \text{ when } x < 0 \end{array} \right\}$$



* In Desmos, to type in the restrictions, use $\{ \square \}$.
For example, $\{x < 2\}$