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Reading Strategy

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1. $g(x) = \sqrt{x} - 3$

- a. $a =$ _____
- b. $b =$ _____
- c. $h =$ _____
- d. $k =$ _____
- e. Describe the transformation. _____

2. $g(x) = -\sqrt{x - 1} + 2$

- a. $a =$ _____
- b. $b =$ _____
- c. $h =$ _____
- d. $k =$ _____
- e. Describe the transformation. _____

3. $g(x) = \sqrt{-x + 4} - 5$

- a. $a =$ _____
- b. $b =$ _____
- c. $h =$ _____
- d. $k =$ _____
- e. Describe the transformation. _____

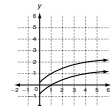
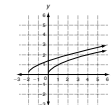
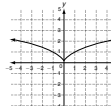
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- a. $a =$ _____
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- e. Describe the transformation. _____

LESSON **Reteach**

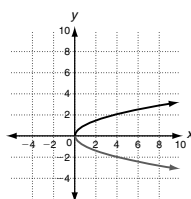
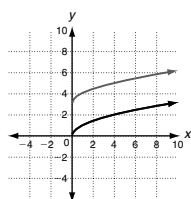
8-7 Radical Functions (continued)

Transformations of the square root function, $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, are similar to transformations of other functions.

Transformations	
<p>Vertical Translations</p> $y = \sqrt{x} + k$ Shifts $f(x)$ up k units for $k > 0$ Shifts $f(x)$ down k units for $k < 0$	 <p>$k = -1$, so $g(x) = \sqrt{x} - 1$ shifts $f(x)$ 1 unit down.</p>
<p>Horizontal Translations</p> $y = \sqrt{x - h}$ Shifts $f(x)$ right h units for $h > 0$ Shifts $f(x)$ left h units for $h < 0$	 <p>$h = -2$, so $m(x) = \sqrt{x + 2}$ shifts $f(x)$ 2 units left.</p>
<p>Reflections</p> $y = -\sqrt{x}$ reflects $f(x)$ across x -axis $y = \sqrt{-x}$ reflects $f(x)$ across y -axis	 <p>$f(x) = \sqrt{-x}$ reflects $f(x)$ across the y-axis.</p>

Using the graph of $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ as a guide, describe the transformation and graph each function.

2. $s(x) = \sqrt{x} + 3$
 $k = 3$: Shifts $f(x)$ 3 units up
3. $p(x) = -\sqrt{x}$
 Reflects $f(x)$ across the x -axis



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LESSON **Challenge**

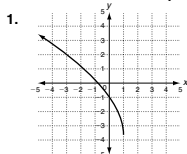
8-7 Graphs of Radical Functions

The first graph shows the function $y = \sqrt{x}$. Observe that both the domain and the range consist of the set of nonnegative numbers. The graph begins at the point $(0, 0)$ and includes points $(1, 1)$, $(4, 2)$, and $(9, 3)$. As x increases from 0 to 1, then from 1 to 4, and then from 4 to 9, the y value increases by 1 each time.

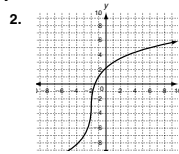
The second graph shows the function $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$. In this case the domain and range are both the set of real numbers. As x increases from 0 to 1, then from 1 to 8, and then from 8 to 27, the y -value increases by 1 each time.

Look at the third graph. You can determine the equation from the graph. The square root function has been reflected over the x -axis. The starting point is at $(2, 6)$ so both a reflection and a translation are involved. As x increases from the starting point 1 unit to the right, the y -value decreases 4 units so a vertical stretch is also indicated. Putting all these transformations together gives $y = -4\sqrt{x - 2} + 6$.

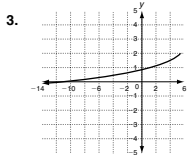
Use these observations to write an equation for each graph. Note that the equations may not be unique since many times a vertical stretch or compression can also be written using a horizontal stretch or compression, respectively.



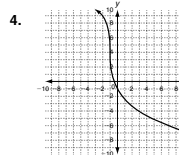
$y = 3\sqrt{-x + 1} - 4$



$y = 4\sqrt[3]{x + 2} - 3$



$y = -0.5\sqrt{-x + 5} + 2$



$y = 5\sqrt[3]{-x - 1} + 4$

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LESSON **Problem Solving**

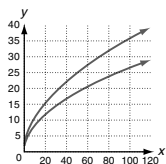
8-7 Radical Functions

On Earth the distance, d , in kilometers that one can see to the horizon is a function of altitude, a , in meters, and can be found using the function $d(a) = 3.56\sqrt{a}$. To find the corresponding distance to the horizon on Mars, the function must be stretched horizontally by a factor of about $\frac{9}{5}$.

1. a. Write the function that corresponds to the given transformation.

$d(a) = 3.56\sqrt{\frac{5}{9}a}$

- b. Use a graphing calculator to graph the function and the parent function. Sketch both curves on the coordinate plane.
- c. Use your graph to determine the approximate distance to the horizon from an altitude of 100 meters:
 on Earth 36 km
 on Mars 27 km



Choose the letter for the best answer.

2. Which equation represents the radius of a sphere as a function of the volume of the sphere?
 A $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{3\pi}{4V}}$ C $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{4V}{3\pi}}$
 B $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{3V}{4\pi}}$ D $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{4\pi}{3V}}$
3. Alice graphed a function that is found only in the first quadrant. Which function could she have used?
 A $f(x) = \sqrt{x + 2}$ C $f(x) = \sqrt{x} + 2$
 B $f(x) = -\sqrt{x}$ D $f(x) = \sqrt{x} - 2$
4. Harry made a symmetrical design by graphing four functions, one in each quadrant. The graph of which function is in the third quadrant?
 A $f(x) = 4\sqrt{x}$ C $f(x) = -4\sqrt{x}$
 B $f(x) = 4\sqrt{-x}$ D $f(x) = -4\sqrt{-x}$
5. The side length of a cube can be represented by $s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{T}{6}}$, where T is the surface area of the cube. What transformation is shown by $s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{T}{3}}$?
 A Horizontal compression by a factor of 0.5
 B Horizontal stretch by a factor of 2
 C Vertical compression by a factor of 0.5
 D Vertical stretch by a factor of 2
6. The hypotenuse of a right isosceles triangle can be written $H = \sqrt{2x^2}$, where x is the length of one of the legs. Which function models the hypotenuse when the legs are lengthened by a factor of 2?
 A $H = \sqrt{2x^2} + 2$ C $H = \sqrt{4x^2}$
 B $H = \sqrt{2x^2} + 4$ D $H = \sqrt{8x^2}$

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 c. $h =$ 0 d. $k =$ -3
 e. Describe the transformation. Translated 3 units down
2. $g(x) = -\sqrt{x - 1} + 2$
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 c. $h =$ 1 d. $k =$ 2
 e. Describe the transformation. Translated 2 units up, 1 unit right, and reflected across the x-axis
3. $g(x) = \sqrt{-x + 4} - 5$
 a. $a =$ 1 b. $b =$ -1
 c. $h =$ -4 d. $k =$ -5
 e. Describe the transformation. Translated 5 units down, 4 units left, and reflected across the y-axis
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