

5. Use words and mapping notation to describe how the graph of each function can be found from the graph of the function $y = f(x)$.

a) $y = 4f(x)$

b) $y = f(3x)$

c) $y = -f(x)$

d) $y = f(-x)$

All answers are based on the general formula

$$y = a f(bx)$$

by a factor of a and/or
vertical stretch
vertical reflection
into the x -axis

horizontal
stretch by a factor of $\frac{1}{b}$
and/or
horizontal reflection
into the y -axis

a) $y = 4f(x)$

is a vertical stretch by a factor of 4

the mapping is $(x, y) \rightarrow (x, 4 \cdot y)$

b) $y = f(3x)$

is a horizontal stretch by a factor of $\frac{1}{3}$

mapping:

$(x, y) \rightarrow (\frac{1}{3} \cdot x, y)$

c) $y = -f(x)$

is a vertical reflection into the x -axis

mapping: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x, -y)$

d) $y = f(-x)$

is a horizontal reflection into the y -axis

mapping $(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, y)$.