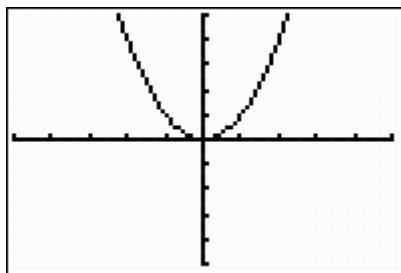


Math-3A  
Lesson 1-4

The Absolute Value Function  
And  
The Square Root Function

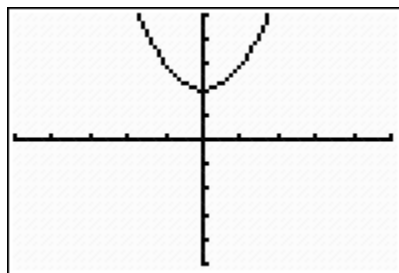
Describe how each function transforms the “parent”  $f(x)$ .

$$f(x) = x^2$$



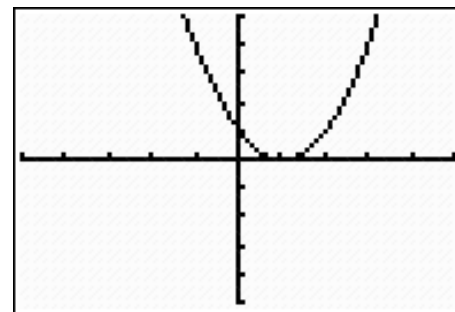
$$g(x) = x^2 + 2$$

$f(x)$  up 2



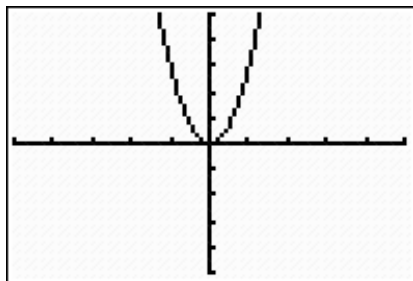
$$h(x) = (x - 1)^2$$

$f(x)$  right 1



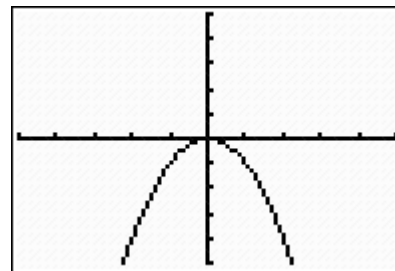
$$j(x) = 3x^2$$

$f(x)$  VSF-3



$$k(x) = -x^2$$

$f(x)$  reflected across the x-axis



# Absolute Value Function

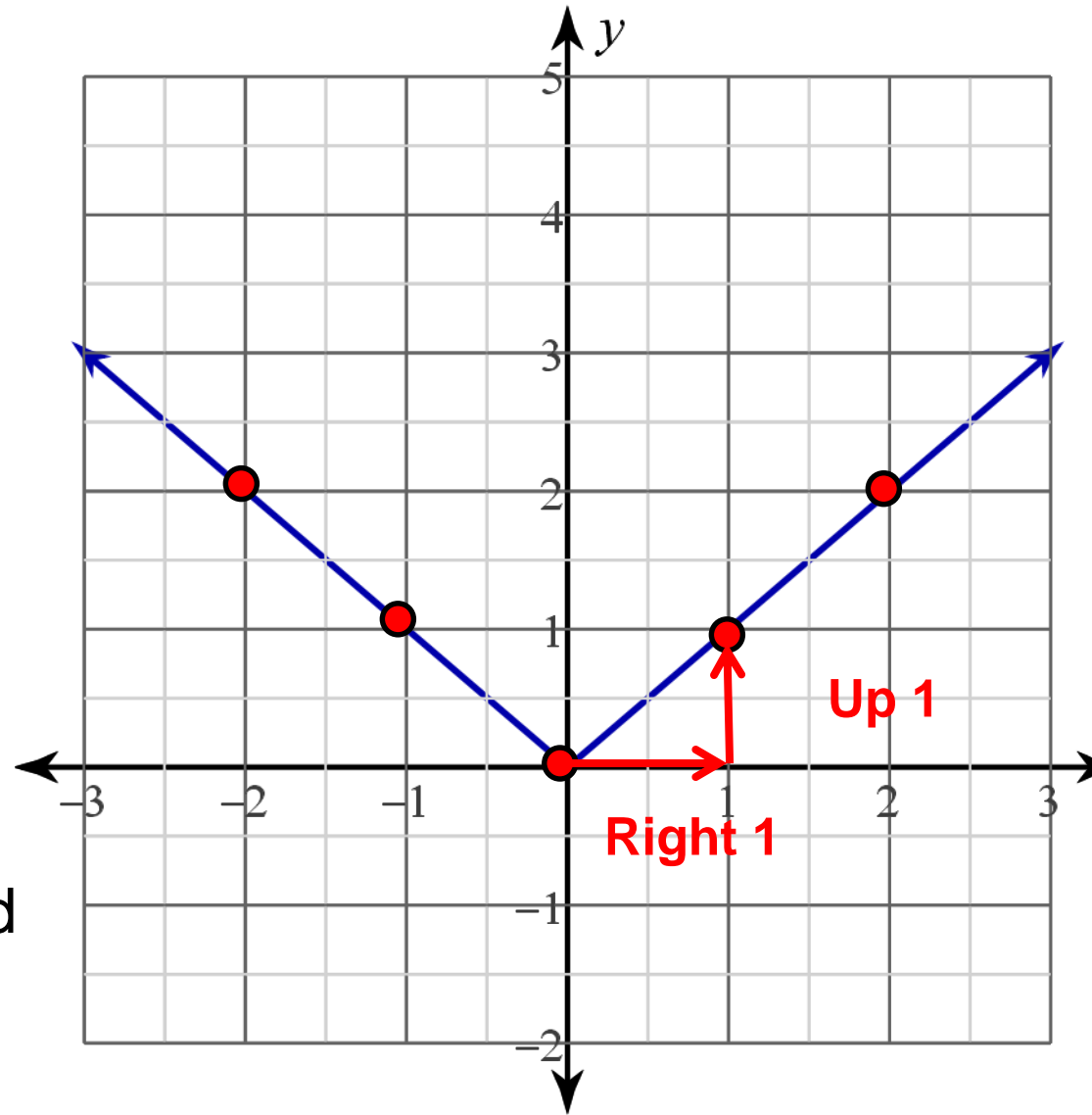
$$f(x) = |x|$$

Fill in the table, then graph the x-y pairs.

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

$$y = |-2|$$

$|-2|$  means “what is the distance between -2 and zero?”



Just like the Quadratic Function, the point (0, 0) is the vertex and there is a point in the position “right 1, up 1” (from the vertex).

$$f(x) = |x|$$

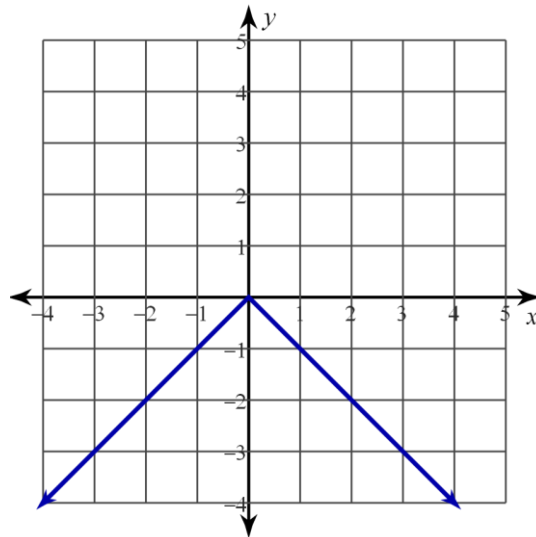
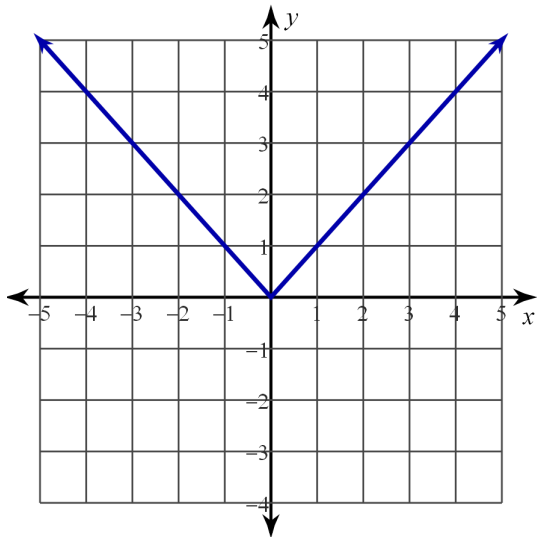
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-1	1
0	0
1	1
2	2

$$g(x) = -|x|$$

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

Multiplying the parent function by -1 reflects it across the x-axis.

What is the vertex?



$$f(x) = |x|$$

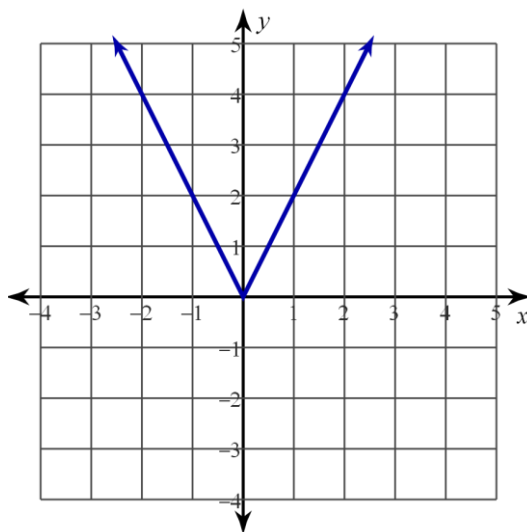
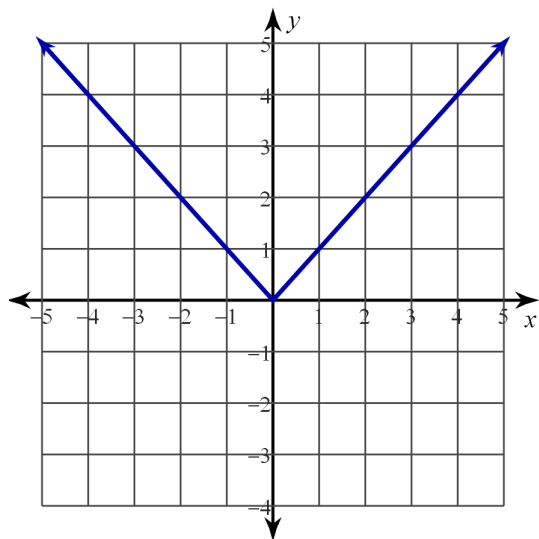
x	y
-2	2
-1	1
0	0
1	1
2	2

$$g(x) = 2|x|$$

x	y
-2	4
-1	2
0	0
1	2
2	4

Multiplying the parent function by 2 makes each y-value of the parent 2 times as big; VSF = 2

What is the vertex?



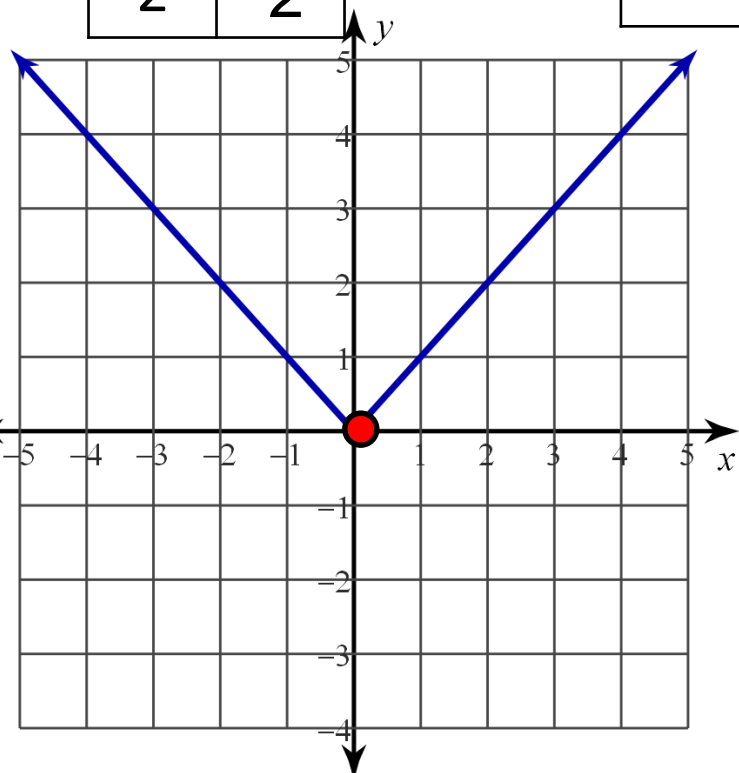
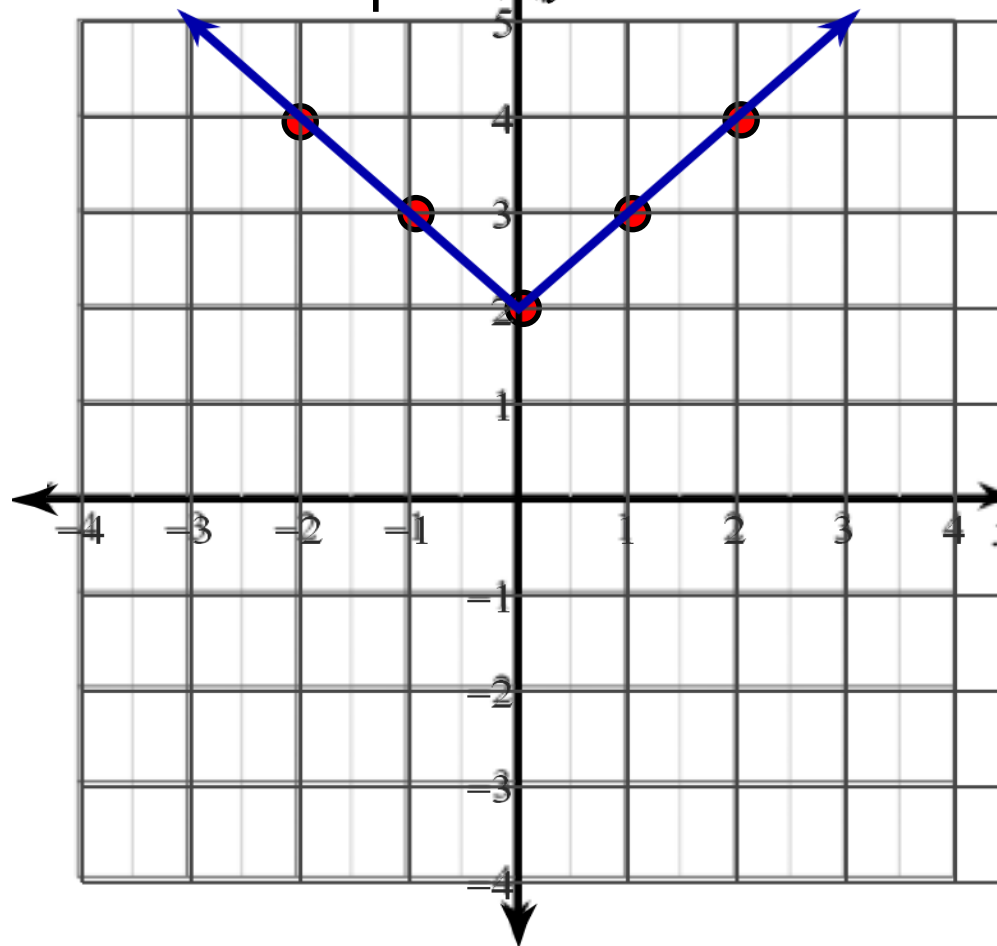
$$f(x) = |x|$$

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

$$g(x) = |x| + 2$$

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

Fill in the table, graph the points.



Adding 2 to the parent function causes the graph to translate **up 2**

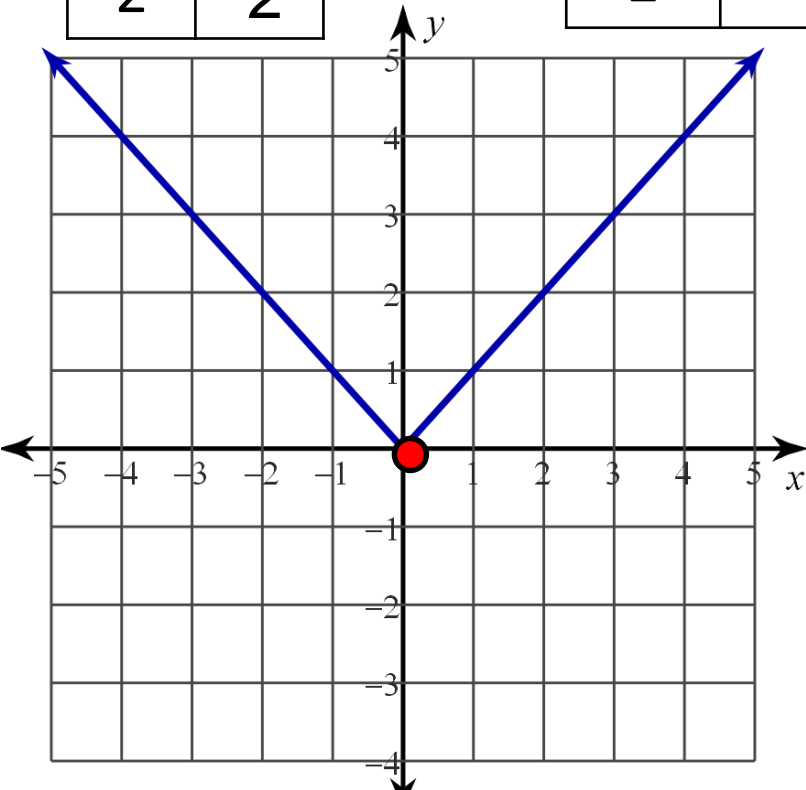
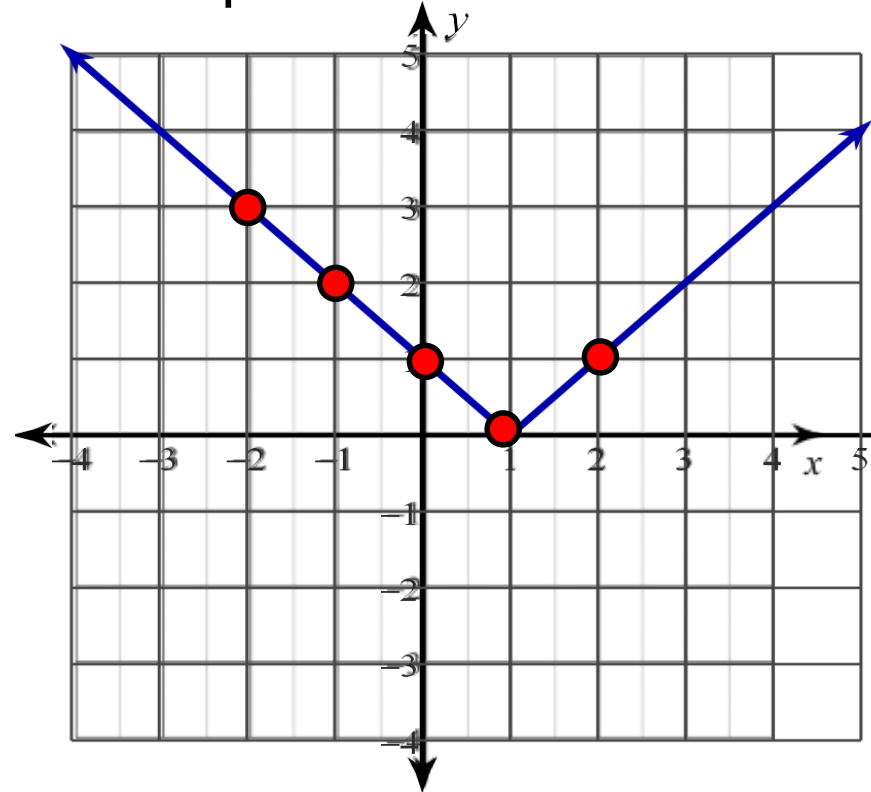
$$f(x) = |x|$$

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

$$g(x) = |x - 1|$$

x	g(x)
-2	3
-1	2
0	1
1	0
2	1

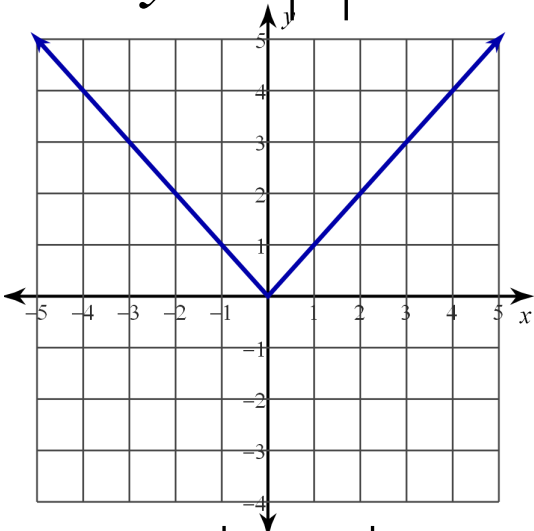
Fill in the table, graph the points.



Replacing 'x' in the parent function with '(x - 1)' causes the graph to translate ***right '1'***

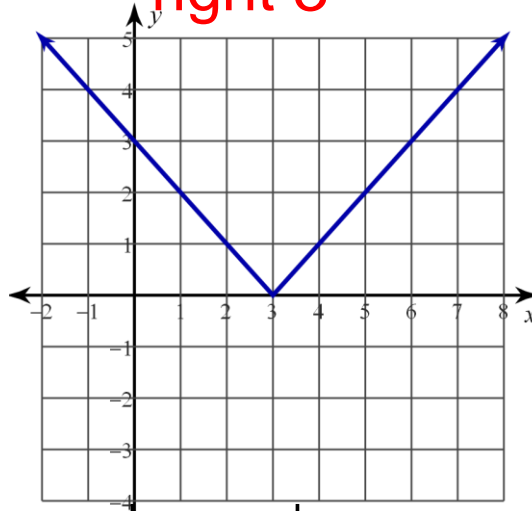
# What is the transformation to the parent function?

$$y = |x|$$



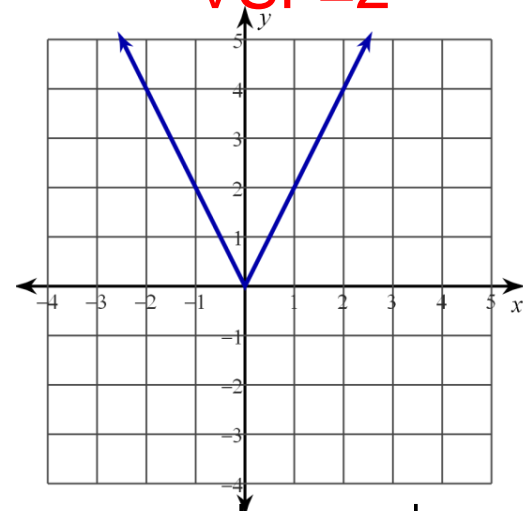
$$y = |x - 3|$$

right 3



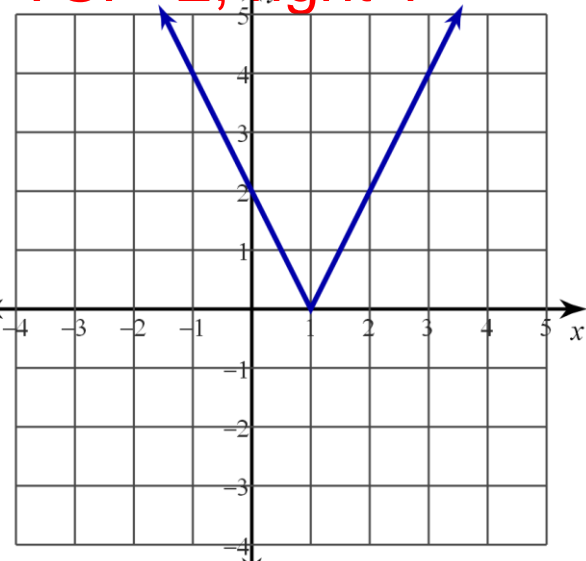
$$y = 2|x|$$

VSF=2



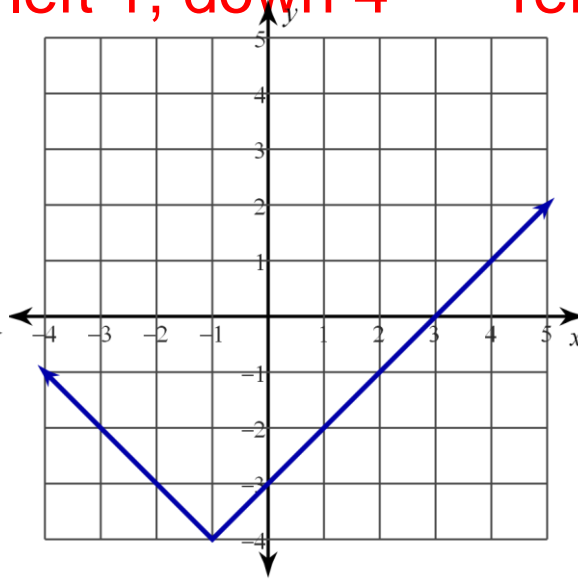
$$y = 2|x - 1|$$

VSF=2, right 1



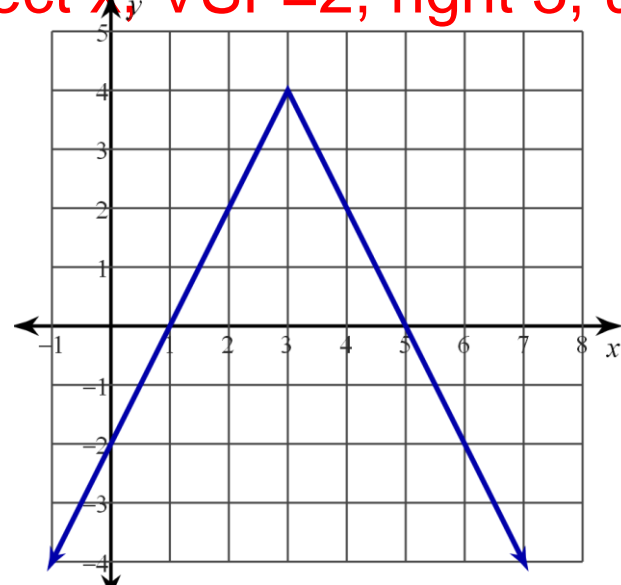
$$y = |x + 1| - 4$$

left 1, down 4



$$y = -2|x - 3| + 4$$

reflect x, VSF=2, right 3, up 4





$$y = x^2$$

$$y = (-1)a(x - h)^2 + k$$

**Reflection  
across x-axis**

**Vertical  
stretch  
factor**

**Shift  
left/right**

**shift up or  
down**

$$y = |x|$$

$$y = (-1)a|x - h| + k$$

$$y = 3(x + 5)^2 - 2$$

VSF=3,  
left 5, down 2

$$f(x) = -5|x - 2| + 3$$

reflected (x-axis)  
VSF=5, right 2, up 3

What does adding or subtraction “k” do to the parent function?

$$f(x) = |x| + k \quad \updownarrow \quad \text{Vertical shift}$$

What does adding or subtraction “h” do to the parent function?

$$f(x) = |x - h| \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \text{Horizontal shift}$$

What does multiplying by ‘a’ do to the parent function?

$$f(x) = a|x| \quad \updownarrow \quad \text{Vertical stretch}$$

What does multiplying by (-1) do to the parent function?

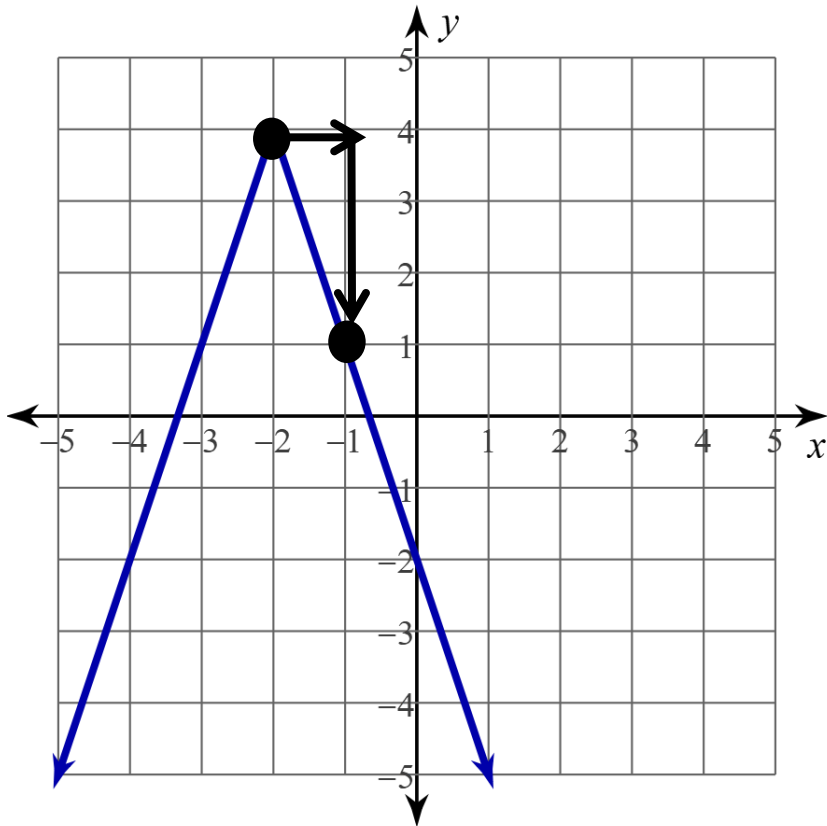
$$f(x) = -|x| \quad \text{Reflection (x-axis)}$$

What equation has been graphed?  $f(x) = |x|$

1) Vertex has moved left 2 and up 4.

$$g(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}|x + 2| + 4$$

2) Shape of the graph: from the vertex move right 1, down 3.



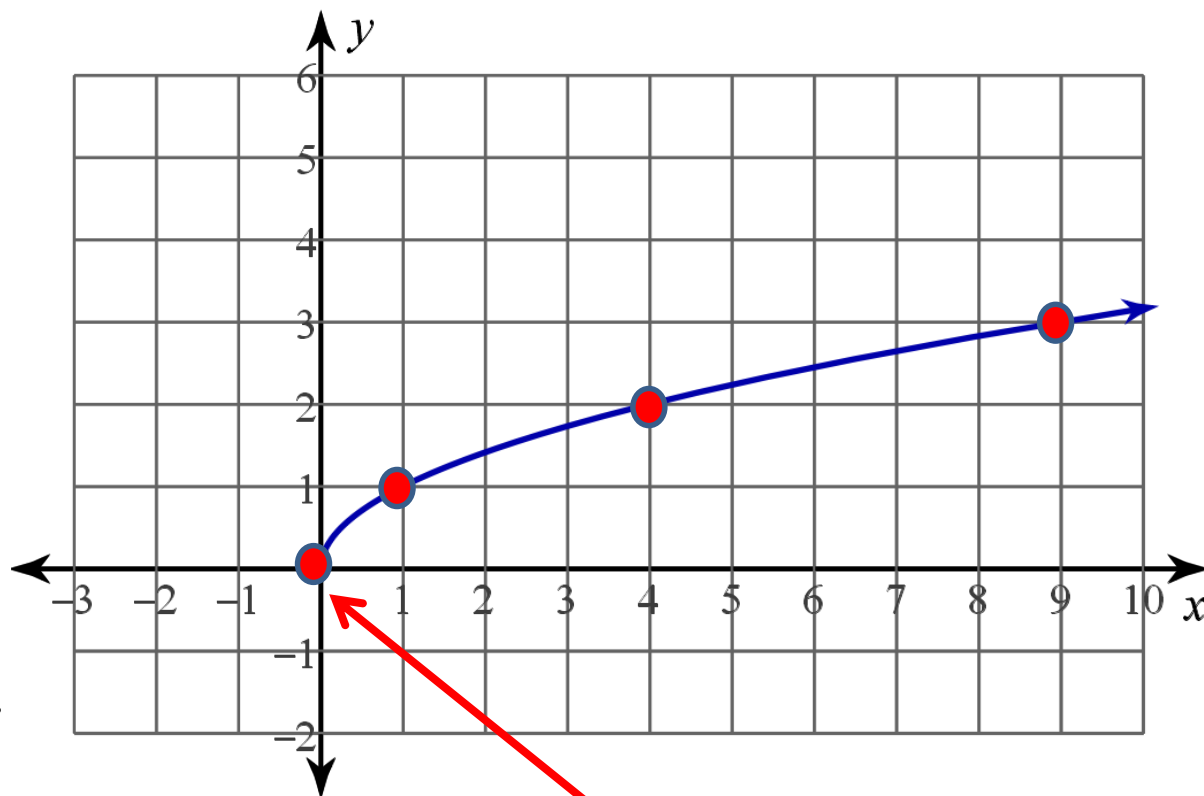
→ Reflect x-axis, VSF=3.

$$g(x) = -3|x + 2| + 4$$

# Square Root Function $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

Fill in the table, then graph the x-y pairs

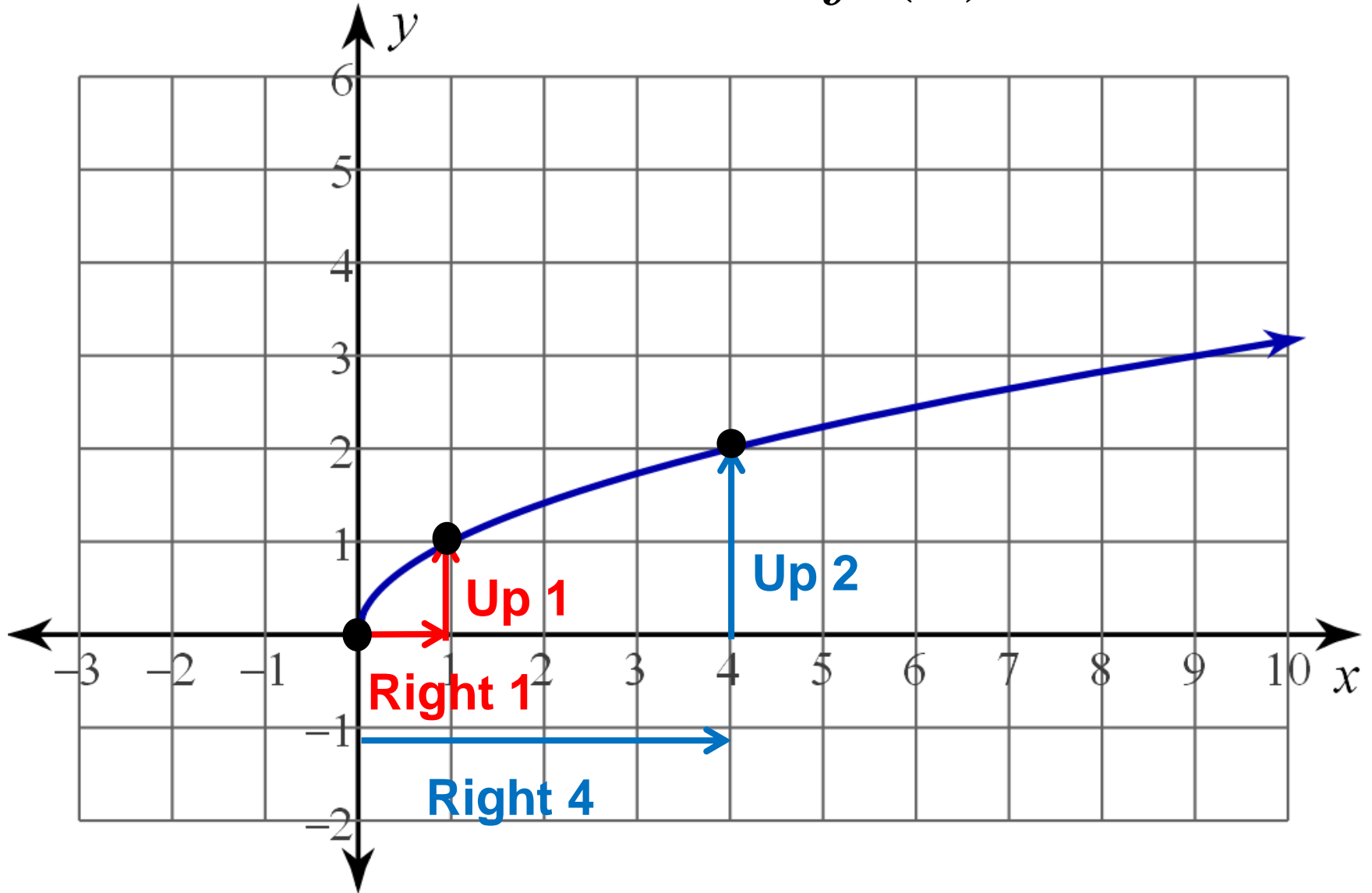
x	y	$y = \sqrt{x}$
9	3	$y = \sqrt{9} = 3$
4	2	$y = \sqrt{4} = 2$
1	1	$y = \sqrt{1} = 1$
0	0	$y = \sqrt{0} = 0$
-1	??	$y = \sqrt{-1} = i$



This is the first function, so far, that does NOT have all real numbers as the domain.

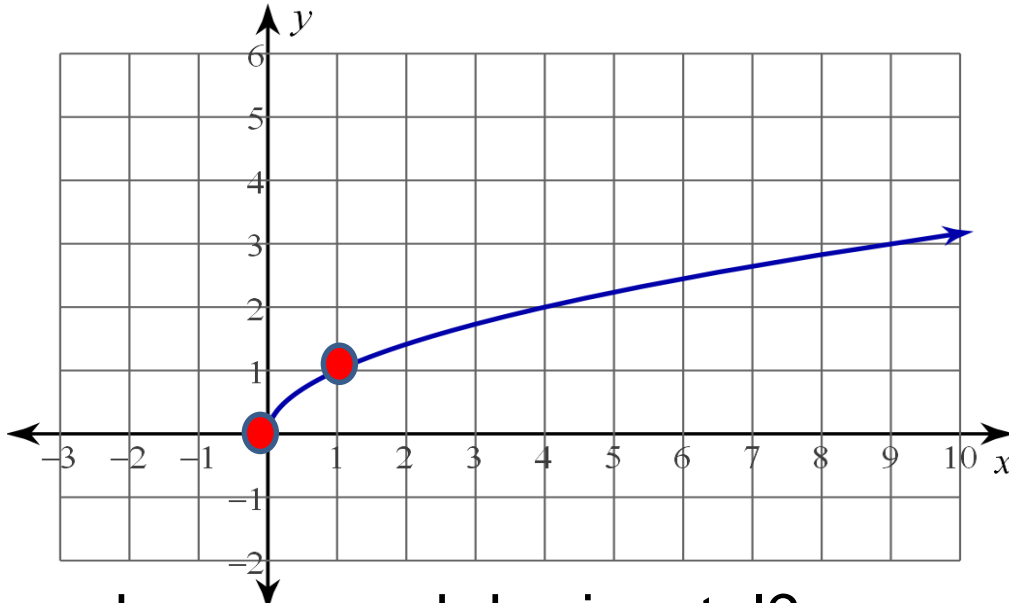
# Shape of the graph

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



# Square Root Function

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



Does the graph ever reach horizontal? *never*

Domain of the graph?  $x = [0, \infty)$

Range of the graph?  $y = [0, \infty)$

Where is the function increasing?  $f(x) \uparrow$  on:  $y = [0, \infty)$

Where is the function decreasing? *never*

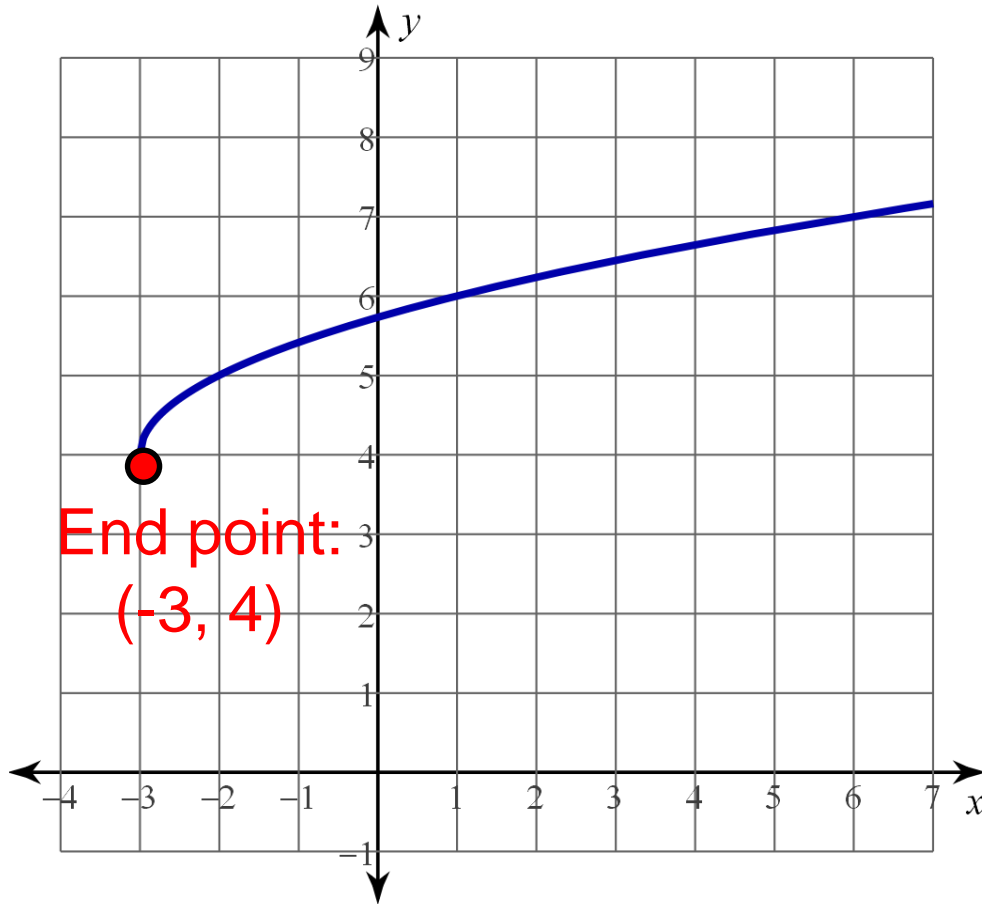
Where is the function positive?  $f(x) > 0$  on:  $y = [0, \infty)$

Where is the function negative? *never*

Describe the transformations to the parent function:

$$y = 4 + \sqrt{x + 3} \quad y = \sqrt{x + 3} + 4$$

Up 4, left 3



Domain?

$$x = [-3, \infty)$$

Range?

$$y = [4, \infty)$$

End point?

$$(-3, 4)$$

Describe the transformations to the parent function:  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

Where is the endpoint of the graph?

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x-2} + 4$$

right 2, up 4

End point: (2, 4)

$$g(x) = 4 + \sqrt{x-2}$$

Up 4, right 2

$$k(x) = -3 - 2\sqrt{x+1} \quad \text{Left 1, down 3, reflected (x-axis), VSF-2}$$

End point: (-1, -3)

$$h(x) = -5 + 2\sqrt{x} \quad \text{Down 5, VSF-2}$$

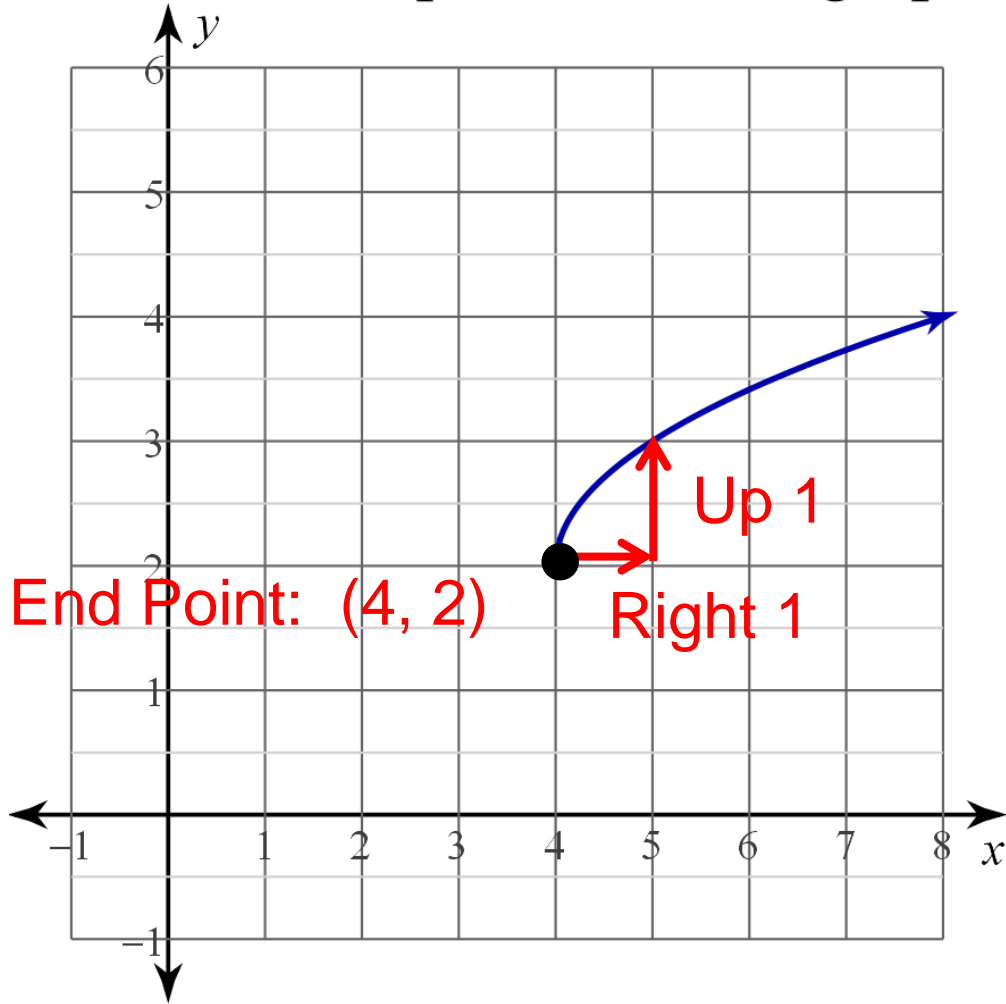
End point: (0, -5)

$$j(x) = 1 - 4\sqrt{x+2} \quad \text{Left 2, up 1, reflected (x-axis), VSF-4}$$

End point: (-2, 1)



What is the equation of the graph?



Parent has been transformed:  
right 4, up 2, reflected  
(x-axis)

$$y = \sqrt{(x - 4)} + 2$$

$$y = 2 + \sqrt{(x - 4)}$$

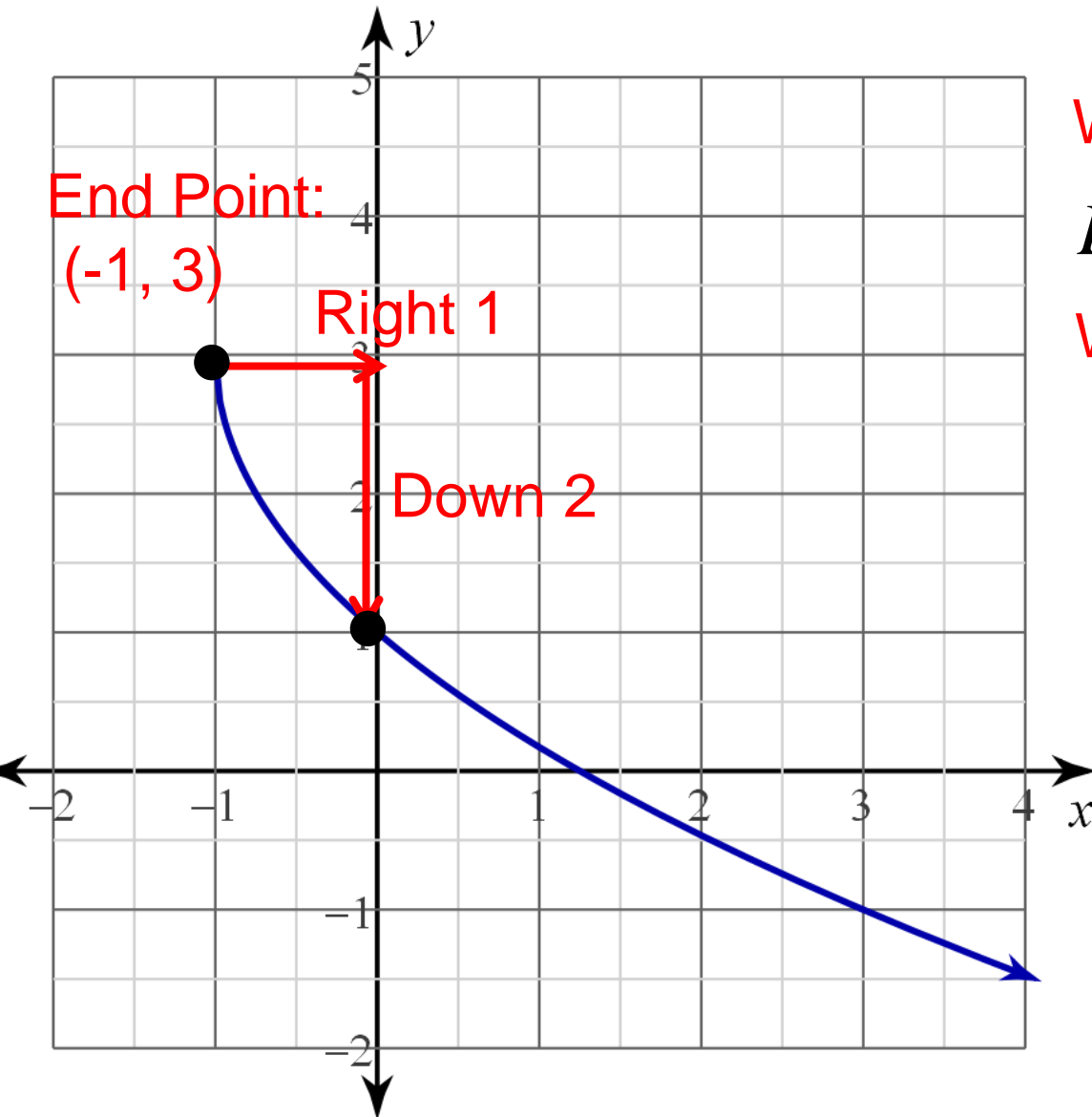
What is the equation of the graph?

$$y = -2\sqrt{(x+1)} + 3$$

End Point:  
 $(-1, 3)$

Right 1

Down 2



What is the domain?

*Domain:*  $x = [-1, \infty)$

What is the Range?

*range:*  $x = (-\infty, 6]$

Let's generalize the transformations

$$f(x) = x^2$$

$$y = (-1)a(x-h)^2 + k$$

**Reflection  
across x-axis**

**vertical  
stretch  
factor**

**Translates  
left/right**

**translating  
up or down**

$$g(x) = |x|$$

$$y = (-1)a|x-h| + k$$

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

$$y = (-1)a\sqrt{x-h} + k$$