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Title of Notes: **Reflection**

**Reflection:**

(Isometry)

- Involves *flipping* a figure over a line on the plane
- Relates to the idea of *line symmetry*
- For our study only, we will reflect in the x-axis and y-axis
- **In the y-axis,  $(x,y) \rightarrow (-x,y)$  fixed points on the y-axis**
- **In the x-axis,  $f(x,y) \rightarrow (x,-y)$  fixed points on the x-axis**

**EX 1**

Plot the point P (3, 2).

Use patty paper to trace the point and the y-axis. Label both

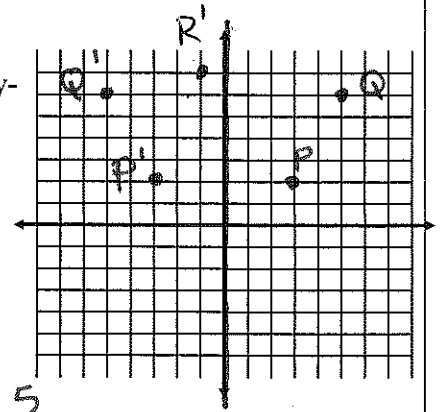
Flip the patty paper over so that y-axis overlays the y-axis

What are the coordinates of P'  $(-3, 2)$

Repeat the process for Q(5,6) Q'  $(-5, 6)$

What is the distance from Q to the y-axis? 5

What is the distance from Q' to the y-axis? 5



Connect points Q and Q'. What do you observe? Forms a line  
Q and Q' are both 5 units away from the y-axis

Using the same transformation. If R'(-1,7) what must the coordinate of R be? (1,7)

For each mapping what is the line of symmetry? y-axis (x=0)

**Under a Reflection:**

- Same size 1. Size is preserved - every segment is mapped into a segment congruent to the original segment.
- Same shape 2. Shape is preserved - every angle is mapped into an angle congruent to the original angle.
- 3. Image figure is congruent to pre-image figure.

Is a reflection a rigid transformation? yes

Are there any fixed points? yes If so, where? If the coordinate is on the line of symmetry

Is it possible to reflect in a line other than the x or y axes? yes

If so, how might it be done? P and P' must form a right angle



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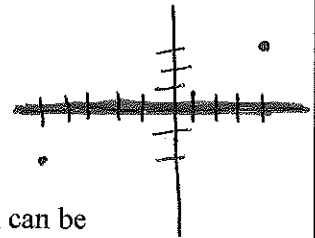
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A reflection of the plane in the x-axis is the transformation described by  $(x,y) \rightarrow (x,-y)$ . Points on the x-axis are fixed points

State the image, under a reflection in the x-axis, of:

(a)  $(4,3) \rightarrow (4,-3)$  (b)  $(-5,-2) \rightarrow (-5,2)$



Instead of using the function notation, the reflection can be described using equations.

The transformation  $f(x,y) = (x, -y)$  can be written as  $x' = x$  and  $y' = -y$ . Use this transformation to find the image points of the following:

(a)  $(4,3) \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_ (b)  $(-5,-2) \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

*Same*

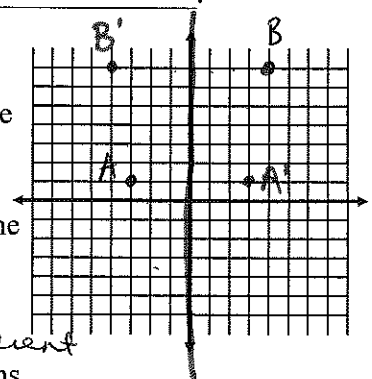
**Practice** Reflection on y-axis is  $(x,y) \rightarrow (-x,y)$   
Reflection on  $y = x$  is  $(x,y) \rightarrow (y,x)$

The mapping for a particular reflection of the plane are

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

1. Is the transformation a reflection in the x-axis or is it a reflection in the y-axis?
2. The image of  $(5,2)$  is  $(5,-2)$ .
3. The image of  $(7,0)$  is  $(7,0)$ .
4. Since the image of any point on the x-axis is the point itself, every point on the x-axis is called a fixed point.
5. The preimage of  $(3,-7)$  is  $(3,7)$ .

6. Graph the points  $A(-3, 1)$  and  $B(4,7)$  and graph their images after a reflection in the y-axis.



7. Find the slope of  $\overline{AB}$   $\frac{6}{7}$ . Find the slope of  $\overline{A'B'}$   $-\frac{6}{7}$ . How are these slopes related?

*The signs are different*

8. Write the equation of the line that contains  $AB$  and write the equation of the line that contain  $A'$  and  $B'$ . What do you notice about the y-intercepts? Would this also happen if the reflection had been in the x-axis?

$\overline{AB}$   
 $(-3, 1); (4, 7)$   
 $m = \frac{7-1}{4-(-3)} = \frac{6}{7}$   
 $y-7 = \frac{6}{7}(x-4)$   
 OR  
 $y-1 = \frac{6}{7}(x+3)$

$\overline{A'B'}$   
 $(3, 1); (-4, 7)$   
 $m = \frac{7-1}{-4-3} = \frac{6}{-7}$   
 $y-7 = -\frac{6}{7}(x+4)$   
 OR  
 $y-1 = -\frac{6}{7}(x-3)$