## Exploring Basic Functions

## Objectives:

Using the BASIC FUNCTIONS aplet, the student will be able to explore stretches, shrinks, and translations of seven basic graphs.

## Functionality:

When the student selects START, the BASIC FUNCTIONS NOTE will be displayed.

The student should then press VIEWS will to choose a basic function to be explored, to enter a value for $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{H}$ or K to see each parameter's effect on the basic graphs. The basic form is: $f(x)=A * f(x-H)+K$.

Basic $f(x)$ allows choice from one of seven basic functions:


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y=x, y=x^{2}, y=x^{3}, y=|x|, y=\sqrt{x}, y=1 / x, y=1 / x^{2} .
$$

When one of the basic graphs is chosen, the dotted plot of the curve appears on a blank screen and then is plotted on
 the axes. Return to VIEWS to input values for $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{H}$ or K .

Selecting Enter A, Enter H, or Enter K displays the equation of the current function and prompts for a value. After entering OK, the function and its changes are plotted with the expression for the "new" function also displayed.

Until you Reset A,H,K , or choose a different basic function, the changes continue to be updated as seen in the example to the right. The default values are $\mathrm{A}=1, \mathrm{H}=0$ and $\mathrm{K}=0$.


## Additional Exploration:

Use Function to explore the domain and/or range using the NUM view. Enter a function in $\mathrm{F} 1(\mathrm{X})$ \& use the up/down arrows in NUM to analyze the defined x and $y$ values: Eg. Find the domain and range of $y=\sqrt{x+2}+1$.


Programs associated with this aplet:
.BF.S, .BF.R, .BF.K, .BF.H, .BF.A, .BF.C, .BF.SV

| Basic Functions | Name |
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| $\operatorname{Af}(x-H)+K$ | Date |

Directions: Choose the BASIC FUNCTIONS aplet. Press START. Once you have read the note, press VIEWS to make your next choice. Complete the table with the information you obtain from each given function.

| Function | Basic f(x) | A | H | K | Translation | Sketch |
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| 1. $f(x)=\sqrt{x+2}-1$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. $f(x)=\frac{1}{2}(x-3)^{2}+2$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. $f(x)=\frac{2}{x-1}-3$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. $f(x)=\frac{-2}{x^{2}+1}+1$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. $f(x)=\frac{1}{5}(x+4)^{2}-3$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. $f(x)=-3\|x+2\|-1$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

