TAKS PREPARATION

TAKS Obj. 7 TEXAS TEKS 8.6.A-B REVIEWING TRANSFORMATION PROBLEMS

Recall that three types of transformations are *translations*, *reflections*, and *dilations*.

Coordinate Notation for Transformations

A *translation* moves every point in a figure the same distance in the same direction.

Coordinate notation: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x + a, y + b)$

Example: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x + 1, y - 2)$ represents the translation "move each point 1 unit to the right and 2 units down."

DILATIONS

In this book and on the TAKS, the origin of a coordinate plane is the center of dilation. A *dilation* stretches or shrinks a figure with respect to a point.

Coordinate notation: $(x, y) \rightarrow (kx, ky)$ where *k* is the *scale factor* of the dilation. If 0 < k < 1, the figure will *shrink*. If k > 1, the figure will *stretch*.

Example: $(x, y) \rightarrow (2x, 2y)$ stretches the figure by a scale factor of 2. The vertical and horizontal distance of each point from the origin doubles.

A *reflection* flips a figure across a line.

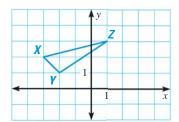
Reflection across the *x*-axis: $(x, y) \rightarrow (x, -y)$

Reflection across the *y*-axis: $(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, y)$

EXAMPLE

Find the coordinates of the vertices of the image of $\triangle XYZ$ reflected across the *y*-axis.

Solution



 $\triangle XYZ$ has coordinates X(-3, 2), Y(-2, 1), and Z(1, 3). To reflect $\triangle XYZ$ across the *y*-axis, multiply the *x*-coordinate of each vertex by -1.

 $(x, y) \to (-x, y)$ $X(-3, 2) \to X'(3, 2)$ $Y(-2, 1) \to Y'(2, 1)$ $Z(1, 3) \to Z'(-1, 3)$

▶ The coordinates are *X*′(3, 2), *Y*′(2, 1), and *Z*′(−1, 3).

