Evaluating Greatest Integer Expressions

Evaluate the following:

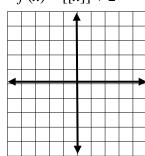
(1)
$$[[7.1]] =$$
 _____ (2) $[[1.8]] =$ _____ (3) $[[\pi]] =$ _____

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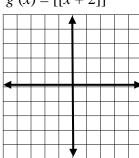
Translating Graphs of Greatest Integer Functions

Using what you learned about the translations of y = a|b(x - h)| + k, graph the following:

$$f(x) = [[x]] + 2$$



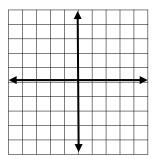
$$g(x) = [[x+2]]$$



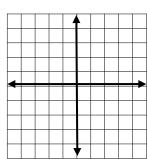
Explain the shift in each graph and how they differ.

(8)

$$f(x) = 2[[x]]$$



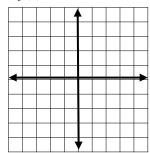
$$g(x) = [[2x]]$$



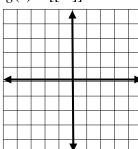
Explain the dilation in each graph and how they differ.

(9)

$$f(x) = -[[x]]$$



$$g(x) = [[-x]]$$

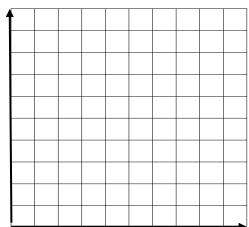


Real World Application of Step Functions

Prior to September, 2000, taxi fares from Washington DC to Maryland were described as follows: \$2.00 up to and including ½ mile, \$0.70 for each additional ½ mile increment.

(10) Describe the independent and dependent variables and explain your choices.

(11) Graph the fares for the first 2 miles: (Make sure to label the axes.)



(12) Write the piecewise function for 0 to 2 miles.

 $f(x) = \langle$

(13) Discuss why this is a step function and it is different from the greatest integer parent function f(x) = [x]